

Crockerton Church of England Primary School Weekly News



This term our Values focus on Respect <https://crockerton.wilts.sch.uk/>

Welcome back to the Spring term... let's hope the weather starts behaving like Spring soon!

It has been a lovely start to the term. Staff have worked hard to ensure planning and classrooms were absolutely ready to welcome the children back on Tuesday. Mrs Kirkwood has been into school twice this week to start her role as SENDco and Miss Woodley is quickly settling into the school routines and getting to know her class.

It was lovely to see the children and all seem enthusiastic and happy to be back at school. In our **Worships** this week, we have reflected on the saying "Happy New Year" and what it might mean and what that might look like... thinking about our well-being; and that, like our health, we can also improve our happiness over time. Consider, do you see a glass as half empty or half full?

There have been some changes on the **website calendar** – The Year 1 Compass Schools fundamental skills morning has changed and we are postponing the parent's maths evening.

This week, I have met with our **Salisbury Diocese Improvement Advisor**. She is new to the role, and it was a pleasure to show her around the school, discuss our SIAMS development points, consider the new Wiltshire Syllabus for RE and World Views and hear what the children wanted to share about RE and Collective Worship in school.

The **Dance Festival** for Foresters children is upon us and Miss Trim sent out a letter yesterday – please **reply by Monday** as I need to confirm numbers and we need to step up the rehearsals, to ensure the children are well prepared. Once we have numbers, more information will follow about the day, which involves getting to Bath. There **will be a cost** to cover any transport and activities in Bath, depending on timings.

Please remember to check that all **uniform** is named. I have also noticed that more children have had their ears pierced– please ensure that **only small studs** are worn. It is also noticeable that children are wearing **smart watches**. I would not encourage these for school – they often cause much distraction, all watches need removing for PE and they may get lost or damaged. Please remember, **black shoes** only with full school uniform, unless a PE day.

I have become aware of a **free, mentored home cooking programme** now running in Wiltshire, designed to support parents and families with their food budgeting and commissioned by Wiltshire Council. **About Bags of Taste** - is a non-profit organisation that helps people take control of their food choices, health, and budgets. How to Get Involved - **Parents can sign up directly via our website: <https://bagsoftaste.org/courses/course-registration/>** (Select Wiltshire outside of Swindon)

Please remember to **read every night** with your children so that their fluency and comprehension improves which will open up the whole curriculum for your child, both now but also in secondary school. Passports – Times tables and spellings also need to be practised regularly. Our Power Projects will be out nearer half term.

Be joyful. Grow to maturity. Encourage each other. Live in peace and harmony.
2 Corinthians 13:11