

# Crockerton Church of England Primary School Weekly News



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

**This week's attendance:** Potters: 100% Thatchers: 96% Weavers: 98% Foresters: 99%  
Thank you all classes – all above 96% - thank you. Have a great half term!

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What a lovely, first week back and the weather certainly helps! The children have come back full of energy and enthusiasm, particularly so with spreading woodchip – which is all done now and the Friendship Forest looks so much better! Thank you to the Young family and to Mr Cassidy for helping with wheelbarrow loads.

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In **Worship** this week, Craig spoke to the children about the importance of **self-control**. He explained that self-control is like a skill we can practise and strengthen over time. One way we can do this is by giving up something special during Lent, which helps us learn to pause and make thoughtful choices. In their values lesson, Foresters children explored strategies they can use when they begin to feel angry or overwhelmed. Craig introduced three helpful words to guide them: Stop – Think - Choose. Weavers are already familiar with this idea with a traffic-light graphic! The children were reminded that sometimes we all need to wait patiently, and that's a valuable part of learning self-control too.

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Many of us are looking forward to **Race Night (6<sup>th</sup> March)** – Thank you Paul for organising this again!

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Well done to the children who competed in the **Dodgeball** tournament at Devizes School yesterday! They were fantastic apparently, playing as a team and demonstrating great sportsmanship. We have many sporting events approaching over the next few weeks and months and hopefully as many children as possible can be a part of this. Please remember to return the school kit!

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I have sent out the summary of the **parent questionnaire** – it is so useful to hear your views and I hope to repeat this before the end of the academic year.

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Our new **Green Team** Councillors still would like any spare bird feeders they would like to donate! We will also be putting a plea out for bulbs and seeds, once the weather improves!

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Please remember to **park considerately** at home time – Little Lane, by the new build house, opposite the car park, must not be blocked. Villagers must be able to get to their houses, even at home time.

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**World Book Day** on 5<sup>th</sup> March. Please remember children can wear a book character costume and bring the book in, if possible. School uniform is absolutely fine, if your child would prefer not to dress up. Take time to discuss with your child how their character demonstrates one of our church school values. Please ensure that your child's costume is appropriate for the school day and our school grounds.

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Finally, thank you to all of you who have taken the time to email or speak to me about my decision to leave Crockerton School. Your kind words and support mean a great deal. I know that some children have found this news a little difficult to process. Their teachers, and I, will be keeping a close eye on them to ensure they feel supported and reassured during this period of change.

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