

Crockerton Church of England Primary School Weekly News



This term our School Value is **Compassion**.

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On **Thursday 7th December** 11am - 12am, we are hosting a Christmas activity morning for **children starting school in September '24**. Children can make decorations and adults can have another/an opportunity to look around the school. Please ring to book a spot for our younger siblings.

Parents' evening, 28th and 29th November – sheets are in the office to sign-up. We will continue to have Yoga on 28th so Thatchers parents' meetings will be in the library during this time. Late Club and Extended late club will run as usual on these days, but children must be booked in to attend, with collection between 4 and 4.15pm as usual. If your child comes to parents' meetings with you, they will need to either attend with you or wait outside the classroom. Many thanks.

Quiz Night – This was such a brilliant evening – Thank you to all the Friends who made it happen. The total raised was £420 which is fantastic! **Wreath Making** – is happening tonight. A huge thank you to Laura, Imelda's parent, who is leading the group – remember if you have any suitable foliage this can be left under the Spinners canopy. Thank you! **Christmas Jumpers** can be swapped in preparation for Christmas Jumper Day – bring in any unwanted jumpers during next week and swap for another. Or leave a donation if you do not have one to swap! The rail is outside Spinners. (Bring a hanger!) Finally, the **Mini Christmas Fayre** – Tombola, Filled Jam Jars and Cakes will take place on 19th December but we need some adults to run the stalls. If you can volunteer, please make yourself known so that we know we have enough help on the day! And save some empty jam jars, ready to fill with lots of little fun things... and sweets! No helpers. No fayre!

Toy Sale what a great atmosphere at our sale this week. Foresters, and Mrs A collected, set up and sold a whole load of donated toys and books and children were given some money to buy back some more! Using money, and especially coins, is a vital skill and there are not always the opportunities to do this. Thank you to all who helped .. children raised over £130 so it will certainly help considerably to the cost of the Dance Festival day in Bath.

LATE CLUB starts at 3.35pm latest for all children. **If you are running late, your child will be added to Late Club** and payment (£2 per child) will need to be paid on collection between 4 and 4.15pm. (It will be added to accounts if not settled) This pick-up arrangement has worked really well for our Themed Late Clubs. So, if you are running late, enjoy the extra 45 minutes you can get! I thank you for your support with this. **NO LATE CLUB WED 20th DECEMBER**

A huge thanks to my staff this week – we have had some absences, yet everything has continued to run smoothly because of the team effort from all! Your dedication never goes unnoticed and I appreciate the extra work put in. A huge thank you to Mrs Connolly, especially, who has held the fort in Potters, keeping routine and teaching the same for the children. She also ensured that the hugely popular Story Time on Tuesday evening went ahead as planned. The Potters class were so excited and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to return to school in pyjamas. Thank you to Mrs A and Mrs Newbery who also helped out on Tuesday evening.

Just like last year, a **Parent Questionnaire**, will be sent out next week to ask for your views on everything school based. It is always so interesting and important to gain views from our parents. Please look out for the email. It does not take very long to complete but is so useful to have everyone's views. Staff and children also get the opportunity to complete one, during the year!

KS2 Writing our **EYFS and KS1 Nativity** – well done to so many children who have responded to Miss Sides's request for a script for this year's Nativity. A first at our school and how brilliant that so many children took up the challenge. I cannot wait to see the script written by our older children and being performed by our younger children. Such a brilliant example of how our Vision of 'Be Joyful, Grow to Maturity, Encourage Each other and Live in Peace in Harmony' is so important in our school.

All staff have continuous **safeguarding and child protection training** and Mrs Woodley and myself are the Designated Safeguard Leads. Sometimes it is necessary to discuss with parents, something that your child may have shared with staff, or other adults/children. Although these are treated with confidence, some issues may have to be shared with DSLs as part of on-going monitoring. I will be sending out a second Safeguarding Newsletter later this term.

A reminder that the last day of Autumn term Wednesday 20th December finishes 1 hour early – 2.20pm and 2.30pm

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



Head Teacher Certificates: Going Above and Beyond this week!

Orla – Doing a great job as a Green Team leader to organise both a whole school Worship and collect packaging from KS2 packed lunches... Well done, Orla, we will try to keep the heating in by closing doors and turning lights off in the classrooms when they are not in use!

Spirit of Crockerton in Potters

Sam, you have been outstanding this week joining in with Maths in Thatchers classroom and following the rules when playing outside – keep it up!

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Jake has been outstanding this week because he has been so engaged and enthusiastic when learning about shape in maths this week.

Spirit of Crockerton in Weavers

Oscar has been the Spirit of Weavers this week because he is always a compassionate learning partner and consistently shows respect in all lessons.

Spirit of Crockerton in Foresters

Thomas has been named as the Spirit of Foresters this week because of his effort and attention to detail in all of his writing. Well done!

Highest Dojo Scorer in each class

Monty, Hugo, George M and Logan – brilliant effort

Spotted

Percy - Playing with a younger child at lunch time, showing kindness throughout – Mrs Newbery and Mrs Connolly

Writing Bags have been given to the following children this week:

Jack, Millie, Henry M and Charlie

Please return these on Monday

Classes with 95% attendance or better:

Potters 98% Thatchers 92% Weavers 96% Foresters 96%

Cley Hill 105 Longleat 102 Wylde 99 Shearwater 80

Overall: Cley Hill 23 Longleat 23 Shearwater 25 Wylde 32

Spirit of Houses

New certificates designed and awarded by House Captains.

Jack O

Willow

Tilly

Oscar M-S