## Crockerton Church of England Primary School Weekly News

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**Latin club** has been making a fantastic start with everyone receiving certificates this week. - well done Alys, Bethany, Will and Sophia, you've worked so hard and shown a huge amount of enthusiasm! The first certificates have be awarded — WELL DONE! So far, we have travelled back in time to Ancient times, had some fun thinking about what we already know around us that has Latin or Classical origins, played with word roots to help increase our vocabulary by understanding how knowing Latin roots helps us understand English and French words, created our own new inventions, learnt about a myth and started to create our own dictionaries. If anyone would like to join us and find out a bit more, we do still have a few more spaces. Mrs I'Anson

**Pupil Voice**: This week the House Captains, with two of our Governors, have led some pupil voice -a chance for children to share their own ideas and thoughts about aspects of school life and their learning. They were working in their Houses and it was a real privilege to hear some responses from the children but also to hear the House Captains sharing their findings with the Governors. I know the Governors were very impressed and found the afternoon really useful as part of their monitoring programme.

### Cake Donations Needed Please – Message from Friends

It's our first Friends event of the school year next week! We will be holding a cake sale on Wednesday 19th at 3.10pm onwards in the playground. Please kindly donate any homemade cakes or bakes, or bought goods at Stop and Drop in the morning or alternatively bring them along at pick-up in the afternoon. The money raised will be going towards the Friends fund which provides events and activities to benefit all the children. On your marks, get set...bake! \*No nuts please in case of allergies. Many thanks.

It's not too late to offer as Class Rep. or speak to Gussie (Felix's mummy) or Angela (Austin's mummy) if you would like to get involved in Friends of Crockerton School. Never too late to help!

Save the dates: QUIZ NIGHT: 18<sup>th</sup> November; CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December - confirm your place with payment to the school office £20 per person. CAROLS AT SHEARWATER CAFÉ (Crockerton Village event): Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December; Potters and Thatchers NATIVITY: Horningsham Village Hall on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December. \*Change of date

**Maths lessons** WOW, thank you to everyone who was able to make it to children's maths lesson. The booking system worked well ensuring that the children were not overwhelmed with too many visitors each day. I believe it has been really well received by those who could attend and I am sure we will try to repeat later in the year. Hopefully myths about Maths being hard, boring and 'no good at' have been dispelled! It is really important to share positive views with children about maths (and other subjects) — maybe they just have not secured a skill YET! Our school value of Perseverance is key. Thank you to all staff for being so welcoming and allowing continued strong links with home for all our children.

Year 6 parents, please remember the **deadline for submitting the Secondary School application** is the end of this month. For parents with a Reception '23 starter, the deadline is January 15<sup>th</sup> — we have another Open Day on 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Please do share with any friends.

Please remember **swimming** continues after half term for those already going to the pool. Please remember we arrive back to school at 3pm so parking must allow the bus to exit from the village against our one-way system, so please do not rush on a Tuesday!

**Bikeability** for Year 6 children only - all fully booked! Thank you, now for some dry weather! Our Day 1 is at School and Day 2 is at Minster School. First come, first serve.

An email went out to Potters and Thatchers on Tuesday about a **menu change** and the addition of a cold option for lunchtime for Term 2. Please remember the deadline for the next week is always a Thursday. We recommend ordering well in advance. Changes after Thursday will not be recognised for the week ahead. We believe that menus are changed termly, so ordering up to Christmas is now possible – watch out for **Christmas Lunch on 13<sup>th</sup> December**.

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### WINNING HOUSE - rewarded with EXTRA PLAY! 376, 345, 334, 315 High Scores!

Class highest scorers : Eddie, Seth, Lottie, Rufus

Potters, you have the Trust Acorn this week for really showing adults how you make sensible and responsible choices - Mrs Woodley

Thatchers, - Your class has been given the Compassion Acorn which you worked on last week, Well done for thinking about how others may be feeling as you work and play Miss Brown and Mrs Rayner

Weavers, you have been awarded the Friendship Acorn for thinking about how we could give a sense of belonging to Hindu members of our community, at Diwali. Miss Brewer and Miss Sides

Foresters, you have been awarded the Respect Acorn for 'respecting the environment' by planting new trees at Longleat and being fantastic ambassadors for the school. Miss Hedley

## Head Teacher Certificates: Going Above and Beyond this week!

Elliot for his incredible attention to detail in his self-portrait during Art.

Jake for his focused learning this week.

Alys for her beautifully descriptive story writing.

Olivia F for her careful story writing, checking spellings and punctuation carefully.

Ioan for giving 100% in all he does.

Piper because she always works hard and is respectful to all around her.

Violet for her independence in learning and enthusiasm to do her best.

## Spirit of Crockerton Certificate: Demonstrating one of our Church School Values.

Anna - Compassion — shown to all younger children, helping them in late club especially.

Harry R - Trust - for telling an adult when he noticed others needed help.

Penelope - Friendship - always being a good friend.

Leo - Friendship - knowing how to be a good friend.

**Reading Bag** – enjoy the hot chocolate but return the bag on Monday please.

Matilda – for trying to figure out what more challenging words may mean.

**Megan** – for her enthusiasm for reading.

George T - showing a love of books.

Luke – wanting a new book every day!

#### Maths Achievement Award

**Oliver** – for persevering and concentrating to solve tenths, hundredths and thousandths.

Orla – for her excellent mathematical discussions with her partner.

Nathan – for working hard in maths and at a quicker pace.

Miriam — explaining Colin's errors when solving problems.

#### Presentation/Handwriting Certificate

**Josh** for his wonderful Mexico leaflet.

Gabriel for improving his writing when the letters aren't where they need to be.

Henry C - brilliant presentation.

Albie – careful handwriting.

Attendance: 95% or above is always our target!

Potters 94% Thatchers 95% Weavers 99% Foresters 98% - There have been lots of colds this week — well done all!

THANK YOUS — Eddie, Meredith, Elliot and Luke for being great ambassadors and leaders while helping Governors of our school this week.



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