

Crockerton Church of England Primary School Weekly News

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Harvest Service – Thank you for dropping your child off at Church on Tuesday for our Harvest Service. This was the first time that we have done something at church during the week, for Harvest. The children sang songs with Rev. Pauline, shared their artwork, read prayers and Harvest poems and shared the creation story – it was so lovely having everyone together in our local Church. Our Pupil Rep and the House Captains shared the story of Harvest.

On Sunday (2nd October) at 10am we will be joining the congregation for the Harvest Service. Children should wear school uniform. If you are attending, please do bring a small donation to the foodbank.

Thank you for supporting **YES DAY** – please remember that your child should follow all rules for school. Funds raised will shared between classes. Our Student Council may ask for some ideas for spending the money donated eg resources, books, wet play, magazines. **£182.03 has been raised today! THANK YOU!**

One in five primary pupils start school with a healthy weight but are fatter when they leave, data shows

- One in five children who start primary school a healthy size leave overweight
- Figures reveal boys were more likely than girls to pile on the weight at school
- 75.9 per cent of kids who started school overweight or obese remained this way
- The Government says it is committed to halving childhood obesity by 2030

I was shocked and sad at these headlines yesterday. Whilst I do not see this here, it acts as a reminder when packing your child's packed lunch boxes to ensure that that remains the case. I do actually notice very full lunchboxes with lots of packets of crisps, biscuits, cheese and cake bars on a regular basis.

Christmas Cards – a reminder of the email and dojo post sent out on Wednesday. Please have a go at designing your cards – they all look so great when they arrive and children are always excited to receive their packs of Christmas cards, paper, mugs etc! **ALL ARTWORK and ONLINE ORDERS with PAYMENTS need to be made by Monday 3rd October.**

Last week I shared that teachers were noticing an increasing number of children not reading regularly at home. Thank you to all who have tried to make a change. All children, 4 – 11 years old, benefit from regular reading to improve fluency, recognising key words, comprehension skills or improve their stamina for reading – this one is key to 'End of Key Stage' SATs tests. **We recommend hearing your child read, as well as reading to your child, every night.**

Please check hair regularly for **headlice**. Shoulder length or longer hair must be tied back every day at school. Swimming staff have also asked children to have long hair tied up or to wear swimming hats.

Swimming lessons at 3.30pm. I have had many requests asking to leave early to attend swimming lessons. Please consider very carefully as it is very difficult for a teacher to remember when certain children are leaving early on a variety of nights! I know lessons are busy but I would ask that you do not accept a lesson time that means your child leaves school early.

5th October will be our annual **Sports Day** – get your House Colour T-shirt ready! Weather permitting, we will start races at 1.15pm. Late Club and Latin will run as usual but school may finish earlier than usual, 3pm ish. Please park away from school, enjoy a walk and consider our neighbours! Cley Hill – Red; Longleat – Yellow; Shearwater – Blue; Wylle - Green

Your child should come to school with a **water bottle** every day – please do not keep this in the book bags as they do sometimes leak causing damage to school and library books.

Please **do not have rucksacks** in school – with coats, hoodies, book bags already on pegs it becomes very difficult for children in our small cloakroom areas.

Attached is a letter about the maths lesson you are invited to, later in October – your child will come home with a paper copy for you today so that reply slips can be returned asap.

As a staff and as a Governing Body, we have been discussing our 'No Nuts' advice. We continue to ask that children do not bring nuts into school in their packed lunches – spreads, packets, bars etc and that parents consider carefully where nuts/nut oil may be present. Thank you for your support with this so that we continue to be 'Free from Nuts' as much as possible.

Our First Open Day is on Thursday 6th October – please do share this with friends. Phone the office for an appointment. – If you see our poster on Facebook, please do share!

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WINNING HOUSE – rewarded with EXTRA PLAY! 223, 190, 187, 185 – That was a close week!

Class highest scorers : Jake, Felix, Sasha, Freddie

Potters, you have the Compassion Acorn this week for helping each other and making sure everyone is happy when we play games - Mrs Woodley

Thatchers, you have been awarded the Friendship Acorn for making some good choices when playing to ensure kindness for all and that everyone is safe. Well done, Miss Brown and Mrs Rayner

Weavers, you have been awarded the Perseverance Acorn for finding ways to extend your learning, including editing and extension activities – Miss Brewer and Miss Sides

Foresters, you have been awarded the Respect Acorn for your positive attitude this week and focused learning, Miss Hedley

Head Teacher Certificates: Going Above and Beyond this week!

Joel for his contribution and hard work in all lessons this week.

Jacob for focused learning in English and a brilliant plan for his Mexican travel leaflet.

Harrison for being so keen to help and contribute in class – thank you Harry.

Wilfred for his responsible attitude and determination in his learning.

Lottie for her excellent work on shape in maths.

Charlie because he has been so focused on his learning.

Hugo I because you have made such great contributions in class this week.

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

Freya - Compassion – always so aware of how others may be feeling and always happy to help out.

Edith – Trust – you can always be trusted and relied upon in class – thank you.

Oscar – Compassion – for always showing kindness to others at playtime.

Violet – Trust – for always being able to make responsible choices, without an adult telling her what to do.

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

Caiden – super comprehension skills in guided reading.

Joseph – such a delight to hear him talk about his book this week.

Isobel – always doing so well with her reading.

Leo – fantastic reading effort this week.

Maths Achievement Award

Alfie – what an improvement with times tables this week.

Logan – for rounding his numbers.

Jemima – for her very careful, thoughtful work.

Samuel – very accurate counting.

Presentation/Handwriting Certificate

Meredith WOW – All your writing this week, in every subject, has been exceptional – Well Done.

Rowan for sticking sheets in so carefully.

Jessica – brilliant handwriting.

Willow – very careful letter formation.



Attendance: 95% or above is always our target!

Potters 100% Thatchers 98% Weavers 98% Foresters 98% - FANTASTIC!

Freya was 'Spotted' by Mrs A as being an absolute superstar of a friend when another child was feeling so anxious and upset!

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