# Crockerton Church of England Primary School Weekly News

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**Harvest Service** – Thank you to all who attended the Sunday Harvest Service – it was lovely to have the children as part of the church community once again.

**Update on lunches for Potters and Thatchers:** As you will know, we have changed supplier for our lunches and I want to give you an update. The standard of food remains very high and this year it is delivered to our school directly. The choice is less, which can work in parents' favour. You can choose a meat option or a vegetarian option and all food can be ordered well in advance – which we highly suggest as the order does get sent to the kitchen on the Thursday before the following week. Having only 3 options (own packed lunches being the third) means that serving food is much more manageable and children are getting outside to play promptly. All children are encouraged to eat a good amount of food and we have many clean plates. Puddings are served to all children as long as they have tried all their food – these are good, healthier puddings than last years', very occasionally (jelly) there are seconds available! If your child has a packed lunch, I would encourage a sandwich, wrap or pasta pot with one snack (a cake, yoghurt or biscuit) and some fruit or vegetable. Some children are having a lot of packets/processed foods and taking much longer to eat than hot lunches. I do hope that explains a little more about lunches – this year we are also eating altogether in Thatchers areas with some Year 6 children helping to serve up food! All children are very happy at lunchtime and trying lots of new or less popular foods.

Thank you to the **Friends** who had their AGM this week. You have all received a letter asking for fundraising and spending ideas, However, the current group of Friends do need more members if events are to continue this year. It is such a lot of work for just a small group. If these fundraising, fun events eg Fetes, quiz, discos are to continue this year, each class needs 2 reps who will be able to drum up helpers from their cohort.

**Christmas Wreath Making** – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December – limited spaces available. A place is confirmed with payment to the school office. £20 per person and please bring secateurs and/or wire cutters as well as garden gloves.

**Maths lessons** next week – you should have received confirmation that a place is reserved for you at your child's maths session. Please arrive 5 minutes before at the main entrance, where we will ask you to sign in and then head to the classrooms. Please ensure all mobile phones are switched off, while in school.

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.

An email went out about extra swimming lessons for the **current KS2 swimming** group – school will fully subsidise transport and lessons for these three additional swimming sessions to ensure all children can swim 25m confidently on their front and back. Please ensure your child has their swimming kit for November sessions.

**Bikeability** for Year 6 children only – all information about this is in bookbags today and consent MUST be in by Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October latest. Our Day 1 is at School and Day 2 is at Minster School. First come, first serve.

Diary Dates updates were sent out this week.

Individual photos will be taken next Thursday morning, 13<sup>th</sup>, by David Wiltshire.

Also this day, Foresters are planting young trees on the Longleat Estate, that have been grown from acorns from trees planted by George III. Check the weather forecast and dress appropriately – full waterproofs, wellingtons and have a change of clothes at the ready if it looks particularly wet!

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WINNING HOUSE – rewarded with EXTRA PLAY! **285, 282, 236, 222– That was a close week!** Class highest scorers : Matilda, Alys, Jessica, Hugo P-W

Potters, you have the Friendship Acorn this week for super friendships forming in class, careful and kind play - Mrs Woodley

Thatchers, - Your class has been given the Compassion Acorn to work on... remember to think carefully about what you say and do to others and to notice how others may be feeling at different times during the day - Miss Brown and Mrs Rayner

Weavers, you have been awarded the Respect Acorn for solving problems respectfully and treating classroom equipment with respect – Miss Brewer and Miss Sides

Foresters, you have been awarded the Trust Acorn for beginning to be trusted more to work independently; some of you in the library to share your guided reading books - Miss Hedley

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

Meredith for being enthusiastic and positive in all areas of her learning.

Matilda for taking responsibility for her own learning and progress.

Hermione for being an upbeat and enthusiastic member of Weavers class.

Isla for being an active learner.

**Theo** for focused learning in English, including Sounds-Write.

Morwen because she is always focused and ready to learn.

Aderyn for fantastic reading and writing in Sounds-Write.

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

Elliot - Respect - showing respect to all members of staff

Megan – Trust – you can always be trusted to make responsible choices.

Anya – Perseverance – in maths.

Alexander – Trust – can always be relied upon to help, without being asked.

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

Olivia – for her excellent effort in reading.

Harry F – for his enthusiasm for stories.

**Percy** – enjoyment for stories.

Violet – thank you for sharing her own books from home with the class.

### Maths Achievement Award

Eddie – for checking his work and being thorough. **Joseph** – for facing maths challenges with enthusiasm. George S - for excellent MOT work this week. Jasmine – understanding of place value is really improving.

### **Presentation/Handwriting Certificate**

**Barny** for excellent improvement in presentation in English. Evie for beautifully presented work. Jake – brilliant presentation. Luke – neat and correct letter formation.

Attendance: 95% or above is always our target! Potters 97% Thatchers 100% Weavers 98% Foresters 100% - FANTASTIC!

Henry C was 'Spotted' by Mrs Newbery and Mrs Connelly always looking to help at lunchtime with clearing empty plates! Sophia was 'Spotted' by Mrs Young for helping a younger child when they dropped their fruit snack.

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