



Growing and Blossoming
"Aspiration, Inclusion, Happiness"

Crossley Hall Primary School

Monday 8th April 2024

Welcome Back – Summer 1 Term

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to the summer term. I hope you have had a lovely break and a lovely Easter for those celebrating. This week, many of you will be getting prepared for Eid. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you Eid Mubarak and enjoy your time with family and friends at this special time of year.

Last term was another short one yet still full of learning including trips, special event days and stay and play sessions too. The children have loved it! Next term we have more events planned for you to share the love of learning. Please see the Summer 1 diary dates.

Attendance

Thank you for your continued support with our drive in raising school attendance. This is still an area of concern as we are not in line with national standards. Regular attendance ensures your child gets the best possible start in life. Good attendance supports learning, the development of social skills and friendships, as well as building good habits that are essential for adult life.

Punctuality

So many of you are here between 8:30am and 8:40am which really gets your child off to the best start to the day and they are learning from the minute they arrive. There is however an increasing number of children that are not coming to school on time which is having an impact on their learning. Hopefully the brighter mornings and brighter days will help and encourage your children to skip to school and be here on time. If you do travel by car, as you will know parking around school is always difficult so please give yourself plenty of time to park and get into school on time.

Medical appointments

Please refrain from booking medical appointments during term time where possible. We have seen a significant rise in appointments during the school day, again this impacts on their education. Proof is required if an appointment is made, otherwise this will go down as an unauthorised absence.

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Swimming Pool

Year 4 are due to start their swimming lessons in a 'pop up' swimming pool in the KS1 playground this term however there has been a delay in starting these due to unforeseen circumstances out of our control. We are hoping we should be up and 'swimming' by week 4, but we will keep you posted. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Fun in school

Early Years have had some new arrivals last term. We have had a wonderful time learning about life cycles of plants and animals and watching the eggs hatch. It was an awe inspiring experience and led to many conversations and laughs.



The lead up to Easter was a busy period with lots of baking, soup making, creative learning and our usual well attended Stay and Play sessions- thank you for always taking time out of your day to attend.



Year 3 had a fantastic few days at Cannon Hall Farm and managed to time the visits perfectly, arriving only hours after the birth of piglets and lambs. One class managed to pick the winner of the sheep race and won a family pass to the farm for a whole year!



Year 2 had a visit from Ron at Jolly Good Workshops, and the children spent the day learning about the history of living by the seaside as well as watching a Punch and Judy show before creating their own seaside puppet themed crafts.

The children in the Resource Provision have been incredibly busy this half term! Within maths, the focus has been on measurement and specifically length, height, weight and volume. We have been focussed on keeping ourselves safe at home and in school within PSHE and hygiene has been a focus for life skills. The children had lots of opportunities to practise washing their hands, dress themselves and rehearse other daily routines.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 completed their Learn to Ride sessions and after 6 weeks, the Headline Figures are 76% of children can now ride a bike compared to only 30% at the beginning of the term. Amazing work from some of our youngest children! Emily from Ready, Steady, Pedal said **'we have truly felt welcomed by the pupils and staff and look forward to working with you again soon'** which of course embodies everything we try to be at Crossley Hall.

Year 4 has had a wonderful Spring term! Year 4 had a blast participating in the Saxon and Viking workshop, for which they teleported to the era themselves - how magical! As Scientists, year 4 have been investigating states of matter and putting their skills into practice: making observations, comparing patterns and trends and using scientific vocabulary.

Year 5 has had an amazing term! Our blooming mathematicians in year 5 have been working on statistics and data handling as well as showing off their division skills. Year 5 have been lucky enough to have Commando Joe sessions weekly, developing their problem solving, communication and team building skills. The visit to our local mosque Al- Hikam during Ramdan was a great success!

Year 6 have worked incredibly hard this term - keep up the spirit! We used two brilliant books to create extraordinary writing, Wonder and Goodnight Mr Tom. The children have really enjoyed reading these books in class. Thank you to the adults who attended the Year 6 Maths Workshop, we hope to see more of you join us for the workshop in April! Not forgetting our visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park, where we got to see lots of amazing animals and learn more about evolution and inheritance. It will be Year 6 pupils' last term upon returning to school - let's make it the best term ever!



Please see the diary dates for this term:

Summer 1 Diary Dates
Important Dates for your Diary

Event	When	Time
BACK TO SCHOOL	Monday 8th April	8:40am
Eid Celebrations in School	Friday 12th April	All day Non Uniform for children
Year 6 Parent Arithmetic Workshop 2	Monday 15th April	2:00pm - 2:45pm
Reception- What's On Meeting for parents/carers	Monday 15th April	2:30pm - 2:55pm
Reception National Offer Day	Tuesday 16th April	N/A
Year 1, 2 and 3- What's On Meeting for parents/carers	Tuesday 16th April	2:30pm - 2:55pm
Year 6 Reading Mock SATs	Wednesday 17th April	8.20 - 2pm
Year 4, 5 and 6- What's On Meeting for parents/carers	Wednesday 17th April	2:30pm - 2:55pm
MTC Parents Drop In	Thursday 18th April	8:40 – 9:00
Parents' Evening  *Parents Evening for 1H* *Parents Evening for 2L*	Wednesday 24th April Wednesday 1st May Wednesday 24th April Thursday 2nd May Wednesday 1st May Thursday 2nd May	3:30-6:30
Wonderdome in school for Reception	Wednesday 24th April	9:00 - 12:30
MAY DAY – School Closed	Monday 6th May	All Day
Trip to Zen Sensory (invite only)	Wednesday 8th May	10-2
Fluoride Varnish Team Visit to Nursery/Reception and Year 1	Wednesday 8th May	All Day
Carers Resource/ SEND Parent Event	Friday 10th May	1:30pm -3:00pm

KS2 SATs	Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May	All Day
Stay and Play sessions	Nursery- Tuesday 21st May Reception- Wednesday 22nd May	10:30 and 2:30 8:50 - 9:30
5T visit to Magna Science Adventure Centre	Wednesday 22nd May	All day
Sports Day for Y1 Y2, Y3 and Y6	*Provisional date* Wednesday 22nd May	All day
TTRockstars Day - KS2	Friday 24th May	All Day
Close for Half Term	Friday 24th May	3:00

Yours Sincerely



Mrs E Monnery
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