



Cronton C. E. Primary School
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Newsletter

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Our Christian Value for this half term is - Hope

Dear Parents

I would like to thank those parents who came along to our Meet the Teacher sessions. I hope you found them useful and informative.

Those parents that were unable to attend were sent an information pack. Please ensure you read this as it holds a lot of information including reading books, homework etc.

I would like to welcome all our new children in both Reception and Nursery classes. We look forward to getting to know each other better over the coming weeks / months.

Change of Dates / Dates for Your Diary

If any of our parents bought our Calendar at our last Christmas Fair, please note there has been a change of some dates in December - particularly party days.

Please see the Dates for Your Diary below for details of upcoming events. Whilst these are correct at this time and we will make every endeavour to keep them, they could be subject to change later. Thank you.

Milk

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and is having milk every day, please pay your £1.50 for the year via Parentpay. Thank you.

Summer Reading Challenge - Mischief Makers

A reminder of the Reading Challenge the children took part in over the summer. Some libraries post the certificates to school and we give them out during our celebration assembly and they are added to our Reading Achievement board. However, other libraries award the certificates directly to the children. If your child has already received their certificate please make sure they bring them in for us to share during our Star Badge Assembly.

Reception Welcome Service

On Sunday 23rd September we will be having a special Church Service to officially welcome all our Reception children. Our Year 5 children are our "Gardeners" who look after a Reception child known as their "Seedling" so our "Gardeners" will also be attending the Service to help introduce their "Seedling". Letters have gone out today to explain more about the Service and their child's role in it. All our Reception and Year 5 parents are invited to come along to the service which starts at 10:30 am. All children should be in school by 10:20am at the latest, wearing their school uniform please.

Times Tables Rock Stars

This week we re-launched our Times Table Rock Stars initiative and have awarded certificates, which are generated by the programme, to those children who have improved their speed over the week. Well done to this week's winners. This initiative will now be ongoing throughout the year.

After School Clubs

All clubs, where there is a fee payable, are now entered on Parentpay. All relevant classes will be added to the club set up. Places are allocated on a first come first served basis. If there is a limit to numbers for the club, no more applications will be accepted once that limit has been reached and the place paid for. Please note payments are non refundable. There are only limited spaces left so be quick to not miss out.

For all after school clubs the children should bring in their own kit so they can go straight home after the club. However, if they forget they can wear their PE kit but will need to change after the club.

All clubs start next week and finish at 4:20pm unless otherwise stated. Please ensure children are collected at this time unless you have notified school that they may walk home.

Special Lunch Day

On Thursday - 4th October - we will be having our Autumn special lunch day which all the children are invited to. The lunch that day will cost £1 (Infants do not need to pay - they are already included for the free meals). All payments need to be paid via Parentpay. The meal will consist of a party box - sandwich, vegetarian sausage roll, packet of crisps, cake or biscuit / fruit pot and a drink.

There is a competition for the schools that have over 90% uptake on the Autumn and Spring party days (17th January 2019). One year we won an iPad for our school. It would be fabulous to be entered in the competition again.

Up-coming Events - Save the Dates

September:

Sunday 23rd - Reception Welcome Service

Wednesday 26th - Year 6 Class Worship at 9:05am

Thursday 27th - European Day of Languages

October:

Tuesday 2nd - Ice Cats training for Parents at 2:30pm

Thursday 4th - Autumn School Meal Party Box Day

Friday 12th - EYFS & KS 1 Harvest Service for Grandparents / elderly of the village at 2:30pm

Sunday 14th - KS2 harvest at 10:30am

Wednesday 17th - Open Evening 5:00 - 7:00pm

Friday 19th - School & Nursery close at normal times

Monday 29th - School & Nursery open at normal times

Class Worship

All class Worships start at 9:05am in the school hall. Parents from each class holding the Worship are invited to attend and stay for a cup of tea or coffee afterwards. The Worships will be held on the following dates during this first term:

Year 6 - Wednesday 27th September.

Year 5 - Wednesday 21st November

European Day of Languages - Thursday 27th September

On Thursday 27th September we will be celebrating the European Day of Languages. Each class will be studying Spain and taking part in different activities linked to the country. On that day the children

may, if they wish, come dressed in either the colours of their flag (red & yellow), the national costume if they have it, or even the football kit if they have one. Parents do not need to go and buy these items especially - it is only if you have them. There are no costs involved for this day.

Secondary & Reception Admissions - September 2019

The admission process for both High schools and Reception Class is now open. Parents / carers must complete the application form from the council in which they live regardless of which school they wish to apply to. We have sent booklets to our Knowsley residents, if you did not receive one please call in the school office. Alternatively, you can apply on-line at www.knowsley.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

If you live in any other borough, i.e. Halton, you will need to contact that relevant council direct.

This means:

- **Knowsley Residents** - If you live in the borough of Knowsley you must only complete a Knowsley application form. You can apply by either application booklet from the school office or apply direct online at www.knowsley.gov.uk/schooladmissions. Parents need to list the schools they wish to be considered for in order of preference on the application form. If you complete a paper application form please return the application form to the school office.
- **Halton & other Borough Residents** - If you live in Halton or any other Borough to Knowsley you must only complete an application form and return it to your home Borough Council, or go online and complete a form there. Parents need to list the schools they wish to be considered for in order of preference. If you wish to apply for your child to attend this school please name our school in your list of preferences.

Secondary Admission - The closing date for applications is **Wednesday 31st October 2018**.

Reception Admission - The closing date for applications is **Tuesday 15th January 2019**.

Children's University

Don't forget to ensure all after school activities **outside school** are recorded in a **Children's University Passport**. We have just a couple of free passports available in school but once they have gone we will need to order more, which will come at a small cost. **Please contact the office if you require a Passport**. If your child does not have a passport or their hours stamped in it, their hours may not be included for the awards.

Outside school clubs have to be accredited to the University to have the hours counted towards next year's award. It is your child's responsibility to ensure they have a passport and that it is completed and stamped by the 'accredited' provider but please note not all outside activities are accredited so please check with your provider. Please be aware that each club is only allowed 100 hours to add towards the total your child can receive. If your child has already had 100 hours from one activity/ destination this will not be counted again for the next year. The aim of the CU is to support the development of after school activities through a variety of destination and clubs. All information can be found on the CU website.

Every activity must be entered separately in the passport - if any activities are entered as a block the maximum we can accredit to them is 2 hours regardless of how many hours the activity took. If you are unsure about hours please speak to Mrs Wilson.

Please note although children from Years 1 and 2 can start accumulating hours, unfortunately they cannot take part in the ceremony until they are in Year 3. Their hours in the Infants will count and be accumulative.

Dinner Money (£10:00 per week / £2:00 per day)

If you have lost your log in details please speak to Mrs Hooks in the school office. If you have any problems logging in to ParentPay, please click on the 'help & support' section on the main page of the

website. Year 3 children no longer qualify for infant free school meals. Please speak to Mrs Hooks if you require a Parentpay log in to pay for school meals.

For those who wish to pay for the whole half term, we have 5 weeks up to the October half term so dinner money is £49.00, (£1 for party box lunch day on 4/10/18) unless you know your child will be absent for any days during that time. Please deduct £2:00 for each day absent. Thanks.

Please remember if your child wishes to stay for school lunch they must stay for the week; they are unable to alternate between school dinners and packed lunches in the same week.

Friends of Cronton

Did you know? All parents are automatically part of the Friends of Cronton - we love to see new friends as well as our old friends!

Family Fun Day - sadly we have had to cancel our Family Fun Day. We will of course shortly be planning further events so watch this space.

Facebook - we have a Facebook page called Friends of Cronton CoE Primary, keeping parents up to date with events organised by the Friends. Have a look and give us a 'like' or a message.

Contact - if you wish to speak to any of the committee please contact Vicky as above or leave a note in the school office and we will get back to you. Vicky & Sharon.

After School Clubs

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<u>Fit and Fun</u> 8:15am - 8:45am Years 1 - 6 (spaces available)	<u>Fit and Fun</u> 8:15am - 8:45am Years 1 - 6 (spaces available)	<u>Choir</u> 3:20pm - 4:20pm Years 3-6 (spaces available)	<u>Jujitsu</u> 3:20pm - 4:20pm Years 3-6 (Club is FULL)	<u>Football</u> 3:20pm - 4:20pm Year 2 & 3 (Club is FULL)
<u>Funjitsu</u> 3.15pm - 4.20pm Year 2 (spaces available)	<u>Football</u> 3:20pm - 4:20pm Year 4 & 5 (spaces available)	<u>Dance Club</u> 3:20pm - 4:30pm Years 2 - 4 (spaces available)		
<u>Football</u> 3:20pm - 4:20pm Year 6 (spaces available)				

Star Badge Awards and Reader / Writer of the week

Well done to all the children who received Star Badge Awards or Reader / Writer of the Week. This week's winners are:

CLASS	STAR BADGE WINNERS	READER / WRITER OF THE WEEK
Year 6	Liam Schulz Lily Sheron Finley Gibbons	
Year 5	Leila Parry Lily Walker	Andrew Maclean Ashton Houlihan
Year 4	Finley Naylor Sam Buckley Kimberley Daintith	
Year 3	Morgan Silk	Zac Morris
Year 2	Oliver Evans Emily Poland Joe Humphries	
Year 1	Thomas Vale-Kelly Robyn Bullen	Meredith Shuker
Reception		Kai Soni

Lunchtime Awards:

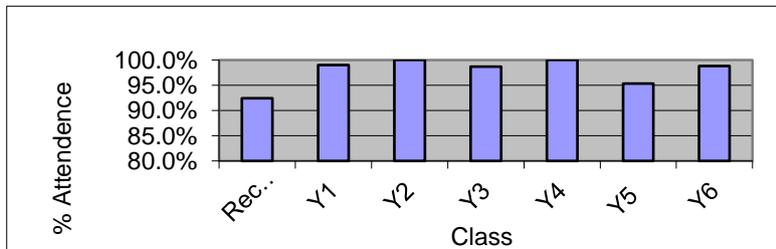
This week's winners are:

Reception - Freddie Davey
Year 1 - Ross Kelly
Year 2 - Ruby Jordan

Year 3 - Rachel Almond
Year 4 - Betheny Argent
Year 5 - Sam Clayton
Year 6 - Matthew Sharkey

Attendance

Every week we will publish a chart of individual class attendance. The class with the highest attendance over the half term receives a reward. The winners for week ending 7/9/18: 1st place - Year 2 & Year 4 with 100%, 2nd place - Year 1 with 99.0%, 3rd place with Year 6 with 98.8%. Well done everyone!



Please try to ensure your child is in school as much as is possible, unless of course they are ill. A reminder that if your child is going to be absent from school you must ring school at 8:30am on the first morning they are absent, and this must be followed up with a letter explaining the absence on their return to school.

Church News

Every year a number of adults from Widnes are confirmed. If you are interested and would like to know more please phone the Parish Office. 0151 423 4311.

Services here at the Mission will be at 10:30 a.m. unless otherwise stated below.

Families are always welcome to come to church in the school on the dates listed below. Please note there is a service of Morning Prayer every first Sunday of the Month.

Services during September

- 16th - Holy Communion
- 123rd - Reception Class Welcome Service
- 30th - Team Service (more details to follow)

Lay Reader Lesley Wright is available each Monday afternoon between 1:00 - 4:00pm if you would like to meet with them.

Any enquiries about Baptisms or Pastoral Care please contact the East Widnes Team Administrator on 0151 423 4311

Best Wishes
Mrs S Thomson
Headteacher



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Parental Comment Slip.

I wish to make the following comment(s)

Signed: (Optional) _____ Date: _____