



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 all our children and families for the fantastic support we have had for our Harvest appeal for our supporting charity ACE, while enjoying two wonderful services led by our children. You helped us to raise £495.38 together with £58.20 from Crnton Mission members making a grand total of £553.58, which will be rounded up to £555. This is a really wonderful amount, we are really proud of the support we receive in our fundraising.

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Open Evening this week - I hope you enjoyed the evening. We have received so many compliments about our school and especially about our Ambassadors. The children were a credit to themselves, our school and their parents.

Parent Governor

The Governors are seeking to appoint a Parent Governor to join their team. Please see the information on being a Parent Governor at the end of this newsletter. If you would like further information please make an appointment with the school office to come in and discuss this with me.

Former Pupils

This week I received a lovely email from the PA to the Principal of Sts Peter & Paul Catholic College regarding some of our former pupils:

Dear Mrs Thomson

Danielle Scott, our Principal, has asked me to drop you a line to say that the following former pupils from Crnton have been made student leaders here at college:

Daniel Buckley - one of Year 11 senior student leaders

Bethany Chadwick - one of Year 11 senior student leaders

Jack Bendle - one of Year 8 student leaders

Jess Maclean - one of Year 8 student leaders

They will be celebrated at our Student Leadership Evening on Tuesday 16th October.

A big thank you from Danielle for sending us up students with such a great attitude and leadership qualities.

Kind regards

Amanda Penney

PA to Principal/PA to Chair of Governors

Saints Peter and Paul Catholic College

I am so very proud of our children and it means a great deal to receive comments like this. Well done to all of you

Poppies

After half term we will be selling poppies on behalf of the Royal British Legion. If your child would like to buy a poppy please send in the money after half term. We are asking for a minimum donation of 50p per poppy and these will be sold throughout each class.

Parents Evening

Monday 29th October from 3:20 - 6:00pm and Thursday 1st November from 3:20 - 6:00pm.

All parents should have by now received their appointment slot. If not please contact us on Monday 29th October. Please note there are no before or after school clubs for week commencing 29th October other than Choir, Dance and the new Friday Football Club.

Individual Photographs

Our school photographer will be in school on Friday 2nd November for individual / family photographs. If you have younger or older children not in this school but would like them to be included in a family photo we have arranged for the photographer to start at 8:15am, so parents can come into school from 8:15am. If you have more than one child and they attend our school / nursery, the photographer will take a family photo as well as individual photos for parents / guardians to choose from but this will be done during the school day - there is no need to arrive early for this.

If you do not wish your child to have a photo taken please notify your child's class teacher beforehand.

The photographer has promised that if orders are returned by the date we are given the company will guarantee the photos will be back by Christmas.

Road Safety

Knowsley Road Safety team are running their Be Bright Be Seen campaign. They have asked us to distribute the information sheets and pictures for the competition they are running. They would like the children to colour the pictures as brightly as possible (including shiny and sparkly) and return them on Friday 9th November.

New Menu

We will have a new menu when we return on Monday 29th October. This will be put onto our website as soon as possible. Please note however that due to our special WWI lunch on Friday 9th November to mark the WW1 centenary anniversary, we will serve that week's Friday full lunch menu (BBQ Fish Coujons / Spanish Omelette etc) on Wednesday 7th and on Friday 9th November we will be serving just the special lunch of Soldiers Stew (a vegetarian version can be made if required) or jacket potatoes. The pudding on Friday will be Victory Sponge. This lunch will cost £1, (Infants do not need to pay - they are already included for the free meals). A drink is included for all the meals.

Can you Help 1?

In the New Year we will be having another visit from our talented artist Andi Taylor who will be working with the children creating some new art for our garden. To do this we are asking for any recyclable plastics such as plastic bottles, plastic bottle tops / lids, straws etc. BUT as we do not have storage space we ask you to NOT send any into school until week commencing 17th December. Thank you.

Can You Help 2?

We are asking for any type of gift bags. If you have any to spare, either used or not, we would be very grateful for them

Influenza Nasal Spray

The School Nurse team have asked us to notify parents of children who missed the influenza nasal spray yesterday, of clinic dates and times where the spray can be administered. Please see the information at the end of this newsletter.

Little Angels Club

Our Little Angels Club will be re-starting on Wednesday 31st October, but please note there is a change of time this year.

If you have or look after a child who is 3 year old or under bring them along to our Little Angels Club held in our Nursery every Wednesday from 1:30 - 2:30pm, where they can enjoy exploring all areas of our nursery. Please see ask in Nursery for more details.

After School Clubs

You are now able to book places via Parentpay for all new clubs due to start after the half term. Please note the only clubs that will run on week commencing 29th October will be Choir and Dance and a new football club which will start on the Friday. There will also be no Fit & Fun on Monday and Tuesday morning on the first week back - 29th & 30th October.

Website / Facebook / School Spider

After School Clubs - We will be sending information via the website for new after school clubs starting after the October half term so keep checking the website.

School Spider - If parents wish to change their phone or email details they don't need to go through school. Simply click on "Dashboard" - "Edit your Account" and you can then change your details but remember to save them.

We strongly recommend all parents download the School Spider app. We send messages to all registered Smartphone's and you could miss out on important information if you don't have the app.

Facebook - Don't forget to visit our Facebook page, but in order for us to approve your request you must answer the questions. Thanks

Twitter - Don't forget we also have a Twitter account for all you Tweepers.

Rebound Dance

The show will be on Tuesday 13th November 2018 at St Helens Theatre Royal. More details will be sent nearer the time.

The Friends of Cronton

Monster Ball - ticket orders are still available but you will need to send them in on Monday 29th October. Please return the tear off slip from the flier and place it with the money (not via Parentpay) in a named envelope with "Monster Ball", your child's name and class, to book your child's place. Just to clarify fancy dress is optional not compulsory. The only thing we're asking parents is not to send children in outfits or really scary masks that may upset other children.

Bags 2 School - We have yet again organised a textile collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for our school. Bag2School will be collecting from our school at 9:00am on Wednesday 31st October. We have sent bags out today. Please use Black bags if you have more items for us, but please check the list on the official bag of items that can be donated. Please return your bags (or bags!) on the decking area on the playground from 8.30am on 31st October and help us have a really good collection. Please do not return any bags before this date. Thank you.

Children's University Photos

We still have some photos that were taken at the Children's University Awards before summer. The photos cost £3, but as they were taken by an outside provider payment must be made in cash. Please call in at the office to view your child's photo.

Class Worships

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 next Worship will be held on:

Year 5 - Wednesday 21st November

Up-coming Events - Save the Dates

October:

- Monday 29th
- School & Nursery open at normal times
 - Parent's Evening 3:20 - 6:00pm

November:

- Thursday 1st
- Parent's Evening 3:20 - 6:00pm
- Friday 2nd
- School Photographer - individual and family photos

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**.

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.

When we return lunches will cost £79 - 7 weeks at £10 plus 1 week at £9 for the special lunch. 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.

Christmas (72 sleeps)

Christmas Fair - Friday 30th November 5:00-7:00pm.

We cannot believe we are already looking towards our Christmas Fair! If you have any questions or suggestions for our fair please speak to Miss Roberts, Mrs Jones, Mrs Allison, Mrs Felton or Mrs Clarke.

Non Uniform Days - As usual we will be having our non-uniform Fridays in the run up to the Fair with a 'fine' for doing so. The first non-uniform day will be on the 9th November. The 'fines' will be as follows:

Friday 9th November Christmas sweets such as selection boxes, chocolate tree decorations, tubes of sweets etc.

Friday 16th November new and unused Tombola Items

Friday 23rd November bottles- these can be anything from lemonade to ketchup to shampoo to Champagne (!) but please ensure they are unopened and in date.

Friday 30th November the day of the fair, the 'fine' will be cakes, games, Good condition LPs and DVDs (no videos, toys or books please). For this non uniform day we are asking where possible if the children have any Christmas items; jumper, t-shirt, bobbles, socks, ties etc they wear them - only whatever they have, please do not buy anything especially. But please note appropriate footwear should be worn, no heels should be worn.

Please remember that these are **voluntary** donations and we ask that it is one per child or per family - the choice is yours. If your child does not wish to participate that is absolutely fine.

Christmas Card Competition - as usual we are holding our 'Design a Christmas Card' competition. There will be one winner from each area - Foundation Stage (Reception & Nursery), Infants, Lower Juniors (Years 3 & 4) and Upper Juniors (Years 5 & 6). These winning designs will be made into cards for our school to send out.

From these 4, one overall winning design will be used for the programme for the Ecumenical Carol Service. This child will also be invited as VIP guest at the Tree lighting Service in the village. The children may like to start their designs over the half term holiday. The closing date for the competition is Friday 16th November. We have sent out a template today that should be used, but please make sure the design is within the lines. Also please only use crayons, pencils or paints. Do not use any other materials as we need to photocopy the winning design. Although they look lovely, **we cannot choose any card that has things glued or glittered on**.

All entries should be handed into your child's class Teaching Assistant. Please make sure your child's name and class is on their entry. We really do want the children's work for this so please try to let them do the card themselves as far as possible.

Christmas Cracker Competition - as usual we will be having our ever popular Christmas Cracker Competition. The children can make a cracker at home, and fill it with a gift worth £1. On the night of the Fair, we sell the crackers (often back to the children who made them!). We hold a competition with a prize for the winner of the most outstanding cracker from each class. Some children like to start their crackers over the half term holiday. So the children need to get their thinking caps on to see what ideas they can come up with. Again, we want the children's work for this so please try not to give any practical help. The crackers should only be brought in on the day of the Fair - Friday 30th November.

Online Safety

National Online Safety has teamed up with MusicAlternative to launch a Fortnite online safety song for school to share with everyone. The song encourages parents and carers to "stay switched on" to online dangers when their children are playing Fortnite. For further information visit <https://twitter.com/natonlinesafety> Miss Bird.

After School Clubs

All clubs 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.

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|--|--|--|---|--|
| Fit and Fun 8:15am - 8:45am Years 1 - 6 (spaces available) No club on 29/10/19 | Fit and Fun 8:15am - 8:45am Years 1 - 6 (spaces available) No club on 30/10/19 | Choir 3:20pm - 4:20pm Years 3-6 (spaces available) | Jujitsu 3:20pm - 4:20pm Year 3-6 New Club Starts 8/11/18 | Football 3:20pm - 4:20pm Year 2 & 3 New Club Starts 2/11/18 |
| Funjitsu 3:20pm - 4:20pm Year 1 & 2 New Club Starts 5/11/18 | Football 3:20pm - 4:20pm Year 4 & 5 New Club Starts 6/11/18 | Dance Club 3:20pm - 4:20pm Years 2 - 4 (Club is FULL) Resumes 31/10/18 | | |

Ninja / Accelerated Readers

Our fabulous Reader Ninja winners this week are:

White Belt Winners:

Year 1 - Theodore Ross, Joseph Durr, Elijah Smith

Year 2 - Harry Jenkins, Riley Walker-Stewart, Aiden Hasalamai, Joseph Smith, Isaac Walker, Jack Rostance

Year 3 - Amelia Mansfield, Louisa Mallouris, Nylah Simcott, Sienna Soni, Joseph Talbot

Year 4 - Ruby Fairclough, Bethany Argent

Year 5 - Louis Simcott, Andrew Maclean, Sophie Welsh, Zak Lucas, Jessica Ross

Year 6 - Erin Jones, Jamie Denson

Well done everyone. Who will be our Ninja Reader Winners next week

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 | Erin Jones Matthew Sharkey Jessica Sutton | |
| Year 5 | John Aney Elise Baxter Thomas Matthews | |
| Year 4 | Bethany Evans Sophie Sands All of Year 4 | Jack Jones Maliha Ahmed |
| Year 3 | Jessica Burbury Alex Birtwistle Daisy Attwood | |
| Year 2 | Aiden Hasalamai Joe Smith Emily Evans | |
| Year 1 | Amelia Watkin Theodore Ross Theo Madigan | |
| Reception | Beau Stankevitch Mia Baxter Nathan Tickle | Harper Symes |

Special Award: Louisa Mallouris from Amelia Mansfield for being a kind friend.

Lunchtime Awards:

The winners from this week are:

Reception - Addison Bailey

Year 1 - Owen McWean

Year 2 - Abbie Birtwistle

Year 3 - Sienna Soni

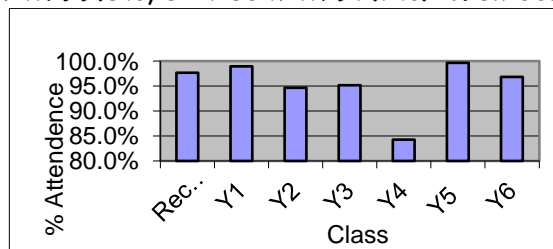
Year 4 - Jacob Kelly

Year 5 - Lily Walker

Year 6 - Ella Burbury

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 12/10/2018: 1st place - Year 5 with 99.7%, 2nd place - Year 1 with 99.0%, 3rd Rec with 97.7%. 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 October

21st - Cafe Style

28th Holy Communion

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.

St Luke's Messy Church

The next Messy Church will be held at St Luke's Church on Saturday 3rd November, 3pm till 4.30pm and the theme will be Remembrance. This year is extra special as it is 100 years since the end of the First World War and in our Messy Church service we will be remembering the sacrifices made by the soldiers and thinking about the importance of peace. There will be loads of activities, games and crafts to get involved with including making poppies to cascade down in the church, adding messages and pictures to our peace wall, decorating poppy biscuits, making flower arrangements, making origami and loads more! Our worship also includes us sharing food as well as lots of fun and laughter. All are welcome but children must be accompanied by an adult.

Outside Clubs, Events or Leaflets

Victoria Music Ltd - are holding a free 'Greatest Showman' Workshop during the October half-term holiday. Covering all performing arts such as singing, dancing, drama, etc it will run from 1:00 - 4:00pm at St Michaels' Church Hall, Greenway Road, Runcorn, from Monday 22nd - Friday 26th October, culminating in a performance at 7:00pm on the Friday night. The workshop is free and places will be on first come first served basis. Refreshments are provided. For more details email victoriamusicltd@gmail.com visit their web page www.victoriamusicltd.com or ring Rob on 01928 589880.

David Campbell Soccer - we have been asked to distribute the fliers giving information on their October half-term football coaching at various locations.

Dance Etc - we have been asked to distribute the fliers giving details of their new dance classes for ages 5-12, that will be starting on Friday 2nd November.

The school does not endorse any of the above events, clubs or companies we are merely passing on information.

Best Wishes

Mrs S Thomson
Headteacher

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Cronton C. E. Primary School
Parental Comment Slip

I wish to make the following comment(s)

Signed: (Optional) _____ Date: _____

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COULD YOU BECOME A PARENT GOVERNOR?

A Parent Governor has:

- ❖ An interest in **all** the children's future
- ❖ A desire to make a difference
- ❖ A willingness to accept responsibility
- ❖ An ability to work in a team and is happy to ask questions, listen and learn
- ❖ The skills to contribute to effective governance and success of the school or at least the capacity and willingness to develop them

and will:

- ❖ Act with integrity, objectivity and honesty in the best interests of the school
- ❖ Fulfil a largely strategic role in the running of the school
- ❖ Visit and get to know the school and the people in it in accordance with the agreed visits protocol
- ❖ Work in partnership with the Headteacher to raise standards
- ❖ Actively contribute to the work of the Governing Board
- ❖ Abide by the adopted Code of Practice.

Once elected, a parent Governor must operate in the best interest of all pupils and not as representatives to lobby on behalf of their constituency.

Parent Governors:

- ❖ Help to decide the priorities for improving the school
- ❖ Focus on their three core strategic functions

- ❖ Work co-operatively with other Governors in the best interest of the school
- ❖ Attend the meetings of the Governing Board and its Committees
- ❖ Promote the interest of the school in the wider community
- ❖ Have an equal right to participate and to state their views whilst respecting the views of others
- ❖ Are loyal to the decisions made by the Governing Board
- ❖ Respect the confidentiality of those items of business that have been designated as confidential and do not disclose what individuals have said or how they have voted
- ❖ Withdraw from a decision from which he or she or a partner or close relative stands to gain or where he or she is too involved to be objective
- ❖ Have regard to the broader responsibilities as a Governor of a public institution in regard to promoting a public accountability for the actions and performance of the Governing Board
- ❖ Participate in training.

Date:

Dear Parent/Guardian of

INFLUENZA VACCINATION CAMPAIGN 2018

Knowsley Immunisation Team attended your child's school today to administer the Intra-nasal flu spray; we were unable to administer the flu spray to your child today due to them being:

Absent / Unwell / Refused / Incomplete form / Left school / Unreturned form

We would like to give you the opportunity to attend a drop in clinic with your child to receive the nasal flu spray.

If you would like to attend clinic the dates/times are as follows:-

| | | |
|---|---------------------|--|
| Tuesday 23rd October | 2pm – 4pm | St Chads PCRC St Chads Drive L32 8RE |
| Thursday 25th October | 2pm – 4pm | Prescot PCRC (opposite Tesco) Sewell Street L34 1ND |
| Tuesday 27th November | 3pm – 4.30pm | Halewood PCRC Roseheath Drive L26 9UQ |
| Wednesday 28th November | 3pm – 4.30pm | Bluebell Centre Bluebell Lane L36 7XY |

If you have any queries regarding the nasal flu vaccine for your child, please contact the Immunisation Team on 0151-676-5141.

Yours faithfully

Immunisation Team