



The Croft Inform - Issue 2 - October 2023

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The Croft Primary School

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INSET DAY - Monday 6th November

Please remember that we have an INSET day on Monday 6th November. Children are due to return to school on **Tuesday, 7th November**.

We hope that everyone has a really lovely break.

Diary Dates

OCTOBER

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- *27th October - Break up for Half Term*
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NOVEMBER

- **6th November - INSET Day - Staff in school**
 - *7th November - Tempest Photographers - pupil photographs*
 - *7th November - Children back to school*
 - *9th November - Reception and Year 6 Heights and Weights Checks*
 - *17th November - Year 4 Trip to Think Tank*
 - *17th November - Children in Need Day*
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DECEMBER

- *4th December - Christingle Assembly*
- *5th December - KS1 Dress Rehearsal (am)*
- *5th December - Carol Concert at St John the Baptist Church (evening)*
 - *7th December - KS1 Performance (pm)*
 - *8th December KS1 Performance (am)*
- *12th December - KS2 Dress Rehearsal (am)*
- *14th December - KS2 Performance (pm)*
- *15th December - KS2 Performance (am)*
- *19th December - Christmas Lunch (pupils only) - book as normal on ParentPay*
 - *20th December - Rudolph Run (details to follow)*

- *21st December - Christmas Party (in school time)*
 - *22nd December - Break up for Christmas Holidays*
 - *23rd December - Crib Service at St John the Baptist Church - 4pm*
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JANUARY

- *8th January - Children and Staff back to school*
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Staffing

- **Head Teacher** - Mrs Millett
- **Deputy Head Teacher** - Mr Moore
- **Office Staff** - Mrs Friend
- **Caretaker** - Mr Colley
- **Kitchen Staff** - Mrs Hodson, Mrs Pratt
- **Lunchtime Staff** - Mrs Harding, Mrs Aston, Mrs Boam, Mrs Houston, Mrs Rapson, Mrs Round, Mrs Wallace
- **Crafty Crofters Club** - Mrs Fryer, Mrs James, Mrs Hodson, Mrs Pratt
- **Reception** - Mrs Astley, Mrs Davis
- **Year 1** - Mrs Daniel, Mrs Smith, Mrs Partington
- **Year 2** - Mr Ashley, Mrs Kydd, Mrs Hill, Miss Baker
- **Year 3** - Mrs Richards, Mrs Knight
- **Year 4** - Miss Paris, Mrs Farr
- **Year 5** - Mr Moore, Mrs Johnson
- **Year 6** - Mr Hughes, Mrs Bridgart, Mrs Farr
- **HLTA Staff** - Mrs Denning, Mrs Stanley
- **Sports Coach** - Mr Hayes

NHS

As the winter months are now upon us we've received some helpful information from the NHS to support parents in identifying common illnesses and whether your child should be in school or not.

Please click onto the following link which should be helpful to you https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

If your child is going to be absent from school either through illness or medical appointment, or if you're going to be late/collecting early, please let the school office know **in the morning** by telephone on 01543 490261 or by email on office@croft.staffs.sch.uk¹ If children are not accounted for on the morning register, it's part of our safeguarding practice to call home to ensure children are safe.

¹<mailto:office@croft.staffs.sch.uk>

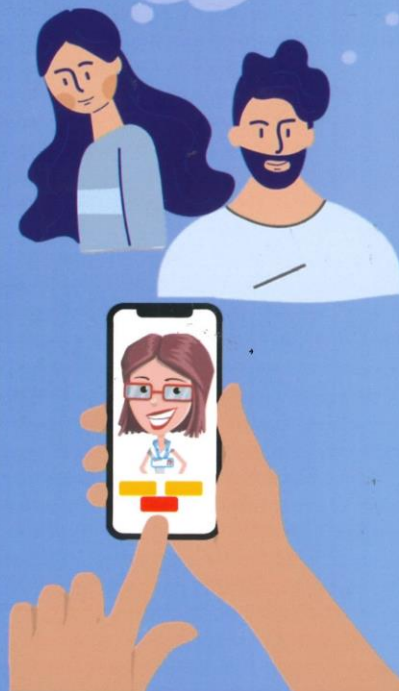
Families' Health and Wellbeing



Midlands Partnership
NHS Foundation Trust
A Keele University Teaching Trust

School Nurse virtual drop in clinic

Every
Thursday
from
3.30 - 4.30pm



The School Nurse is here to help your child feel healthy, happy and safe during their school years and to get the best from their education. If you have any concerns about their health and wellbeing please drop in to chat.

Join the link and talk to a School Nurse.

We provide a confidential and friendly service

mpft.live/schoolnurse



After School Clubs - 1st half of Autumn Term

ALL AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY CLUBS HAVE NOW ENDED EXCEPT FOR YOUNG VOICES CHOIR CLUB WHICH WILL BE HELD ON A THURSDAY LUNCH TIME IN READINESS FOR THE YOUNG VOICES CONCERT ON 24TH JANUARY.

THURSDAYS

- Young Voices Choir (Miss Paris) - Years 4, 5 and 6 - Thursday lunchtimes

Free School Meals

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

As a reminder, although children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 get Universal Free School Meals, ALL families whose family/financial circumstances meet any of the criteria listed in the link below should apply for Free School Meals through Staffordshire County Council. If you are registered it gives you the benefit of food vouchers during the main school holidays and quite often holiday clubs. It also supports the school enabling us to purchase extra resources where necessary.

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Educational-awards-benefits/FreeSchoolMeals/Q001.aspx>

Christmas Tree

We'll be starting to get into the festive spirit at the end of November when our Christmas Tree will be delivered by Treeways, Hednesford.

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