

CROSSHALL JUNIOR SCHOOL WEEKLY UPDATES | W.E. 15.03.24

Dear Parent/ Carer,

This week we have hosted some of the events that make Crosshall and primary education so exciting - **Red Nose Day**, **Science Day** and **Viking Day**! These events enable us to provide opportunities for children to focus on specific subjects and go into far more subject detail (and wear red to raise money for others!).

In science, the children have explored some key areas in more detail and, thanks to funding from our Crosshall PTA, we have welcomed an expert on site who has inspired the children with their knowledge.

For our Year Five Viking Day, the children learned more detail about everyday life such as runes and gods, and - perhaps most enjoyably - weapons of the Vikings. These are memorable events for the children and facilitates a deeper learning experience for many of them. This event was also funded by our PTA whose support is invaluable to the school. Please do consider giving any time you can spare to support them.

The **PTA Easter Egg raffle** draw will take place on 27th March. Please consider donating Easter Eggs for prizes, and tickets will be on sale from next Wednesday for the children to buy at lunchtime.

Finally, we are thankful for our local community and all the support they give to the school. Currently, **The Eaton Oak** pub are raising funds for our school which we hope to use towards our music and Design Technology resources.

Enjoy the weekend!

Mr Dan Ainscow and Mr Liam Murphy | Acting Head Teachers

CURRENTLY AT CROSSHALL

Future Me Talk

As a result of pupil requests, on Friday 8th March, over 70 pupils attended a



Future Me Talk about palaeontology. This talk was facilitated by **Positive Footprints** and featured two palaeontologists from the University of Portsmouth. The talk originally took place during our school's half term break, and we feel fortunate to have access to a recording. We heard from a micro-palaeontologist and a palaeontologist who specialises in studying larger more famous dinosaurs. Both spoke about their inspirations, careers thus far and various adventures around the globe. We had not realised that part of studying fossils involves looking at creatures that are alive so that comparisons and explanations can be drawn!

UPCOMING DATES

19th March Year Six Eat 'N' Bowl Social Event LETTER

20th March Mums Who Read - Library Event 3:20pm <u>LETTER</u> PTA Easter Raffle Tickets on Sale <u>LETTER</u>

21st March Year Four TTRS Rock Heroes Day LETTER

22nd March Celebration Assembly - Invite Only

24th March Eaton Oak Dog Walk - fundraising for CJS

25th - 27th March PTA Easter Disco Tickets on Sale LETTER

26th March Year Three Fitzwilliam & Zoology Trip (3CD & 3LR) <u>LETTER</u>

27th March <u>MHST St Neots Year Six Coffee Morning 9am</u> PTA Easter Raffle Draw <u>LETTER</u> PTA Easter Disco <u>LETTER</u>

29th March - 15th April Easter Holidays

15th April Staff Training Day - school closed

16th April Back to School

17th April Summer Term Clubs Bookings OPEN

22nd April Earth Day

23rd April London Bonus Day - 3CD, 4NT, 5HC, 6KW wear token red item i.e. hair bobble, socks

24th April Summer Term Clubs Bookings CLOSE 10am

6th May May Day Bank Holiday - school closed

wc 6th May Summer Term Clubs BEGIN

wc 13th May Year Six End of Key Stage Two Tests Week

23rd May Crosshall 50th Celebrations

24th May Staff Training Day - school closed

27th May - 31st May May Half Term Holidays

3rd June Back to School



Take a look at our website <u>Currently at Crosshall page</u> for latest photos of events and activities in school!

Currently at Crosshall

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Dance Competition

Congratulations to Isla, 6KW and Dylan, 3LG who were very successful at a recent dance competition.

Isla achieved first place for Ballet Solo and Contemporary Solo with the highest score in category for both dances and a special Heart & Soul Award.

Dylan achieved his Ballet 5 award, and first place in Tap Tap Duo with highest score in category, first place in Tap Solo with third highest dance score in the age category, and first place in Lyrical Duo with second highest score in the category.

Fundraising for Charity

Well done to **Carmen, 4JE** who has donated her hair to the charity The Little Princess Trust. The Little Princess Trust provides real hair wigs, free of charge, to children and young people who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment or to other conditions such as Alopecia.

The charity is also one of the largest funders of childhood cancer research in the UK. If you would like to support Carmen and donate, visit her Just Giving page <u>HERE</u>

Year Five Viking Day

Year Five had a fantastic day immersing themselves in interactive and fun sessions all about Vikings today. Thank you to Cathy Murphy from **Gripping History** for running sessions with the children today, and to our wonderful PTA whose funding made it all possible!

Science Day

Throughout the day, the children have been getting involved in various science-themed activities. We also welcomed a guest speaker who hosted sessions with individual classes throughout the day.

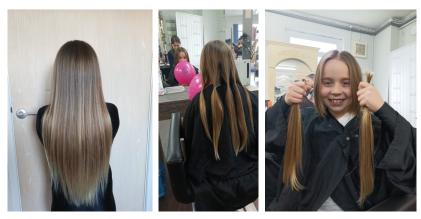


Red Nose Day

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in fundraising for Comic Relief today. We have raised over £200 so far.











On Wednesday 27th March at 9:00am, our St Neots MHST support team will be hosting a drop in coffee morning for Year Six parents/ carers around SATS and how to support your child. Full details <u>HERE</u>

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World Book Day

Thank you to everyone who took part in our World Book Day dress-up and also our toilet roll competition. There were hundreds of entries! We will be announcing the winners next week. In the meantime, a selection of photos can be viewed on the website <u>HERE</u>.





Girls Football Tournament

Well done to Darcey, Neha, Sophia, Scarlett, Carmen, Ella, Ava, Myla, Ffion, Isla, Amelia, Jess, Ava, Megan and Macy who took part in the St Neots Girls Football competition on 5th March.



We have been awarded an <u>FFT National</u> <u>Attendance Award</u> for Autumn 2023 for achieving attendance rates in the Top 25% of all FTT Primary Schools in England. FFT collect daily attendance from over 10,000 primary and junior schools nationally. Well done CJS Community!

LOCAL COMMUNITY NEWS

The Eaton Oak Pub are fundraising for our school with various events over the next few months. Join their Spring Dog Walk on Sunday 24th March. Full details <u>HERE</u>

Eaton Socon Cricket Club are hosting a Family Fun Easter Day on Friday 29th March. Full details <u>HERE</u>



Local Community NEWS

Check out our new <u>community</u> <u>news page</u> on our website for info on local events and offers!

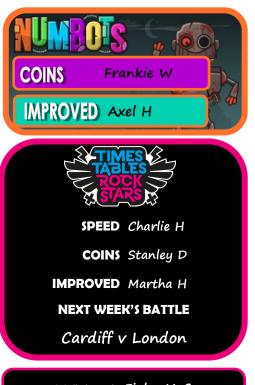
If you have an event that you would like to promote get in touch via **office@crosshalljunior.co.uk**

Year Six Lunchtime Sale

Well done to **Beau**, **Freyja**, **Indie**, and **Jessica** who held a very successful sale this lunchtime selling hand-made bookmarks, bracelets and other items raising £95.00 for Comic Relief.

Year Five Lunchtime Sale

Well done to Amelia, Cecily, Immy, Lilia, Olivia, Roma, Sienna, and Sophia who were busy with another lunchtime sale today. They raised money for Breaking the Chains charity.



Well done to **Finley McG** for achieving **TIRS Rock Hero** status

For Parent/ Carer information click <u>TimesTable RockStars Parent Info</u>

ASK YOUR CHILD A QUESTION:

Year Three	What are the 5Ws at the beginning of a recount?
Year Four	How do you add fractions with the same denominator?
Year Five	Name an example of cardiovascular exercise and explain why it is good for you.
Year Six	What about MOCKs this week has made you proud of yourself?