



## UPCOMING DATES

- wc 27th January 2025  
**CJS Spring Term Clubs Begin** [BOOKLET HERE](#)
- 31st January 2025  
**Celebration Assembly - Invite Only**
- wc 3rd February 2025  
**National Children's Mental Health Week: 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself'** [POSTER](#)
- 4th February 2025  
**9:00am MHST Coffee Morning** [POSTER](#)
- 7th February 2025  
**Non-Uniform Day: 'Express Yourself' theme** [POSTER](#)
- wc 10th February 2025  
**PCLR Week** [LETTER](#)  
**Come Join School Lunch: Family Week**
- 12th February 2025  
**Individual (in Library) Photo Day** [SUBSCRIPTION](#)
- 14th February 2025  
**Last Day of Term - half term 17th-21st February**
- 17th - 21st February Half Term  
**Next Thing Education Half Term Camp** [LETTER](#)
- 24th February 2025  
**Back to School**
- 27th February 2025  
**Choir: Young Voices Concert**
- 28th February 2025  
**Cardiff Bonus Day - wear yellow item**
- 6th March 2025  
**National: World Book Day**  
**Year Four Verulamium Trip: 4CHo & 4ChE** [LETTER](#)
- 7th March 2025  
**Year Four Verulamium Trip: 4MM & 4NT** [LETTER](#)
- wc 10th March 2025  
**Year Six: MOCK Test Week**
- 11th March 2025  
**New To You Sale 3:20pm-3:40pm** [POSTER](#) NEW
- 17th-21st March 2025  
**STEM Week**
- 18th March 2025  
**Year Three: Fitzwilliam Day Trip 3CD** [LETTER](#)
- 20th March 2025  
**Year Six: Eat N Bowl** [LETTER](#)
- 24th March to 4th April  
**Join your child for Mother's Day Lunches.**  
**Book in advance via Office**
- 25th March 2025  
**Year Three: Fitzwilliam Day Trip 3LR & 3KP** [LETTER](#)
- 1st April 2025  
**9am Rocksteady Concert: Parents Invite Only.**
- 4th April 2025  
**Last Day of Term - Easter holidays 7th-18th Apr**
- 22nd April 2025  
**Staff Training Day - school closed**
- 23rd April 2025  
**Summer Term starts - back to School**

## CROSSHALL JUNIOR SCHOOL WEEKLY UPDATES | W.E. 24.01.25

### MESSAGE FROM ACTING CO-HEAD TEACHERS

Dear Parent/ Carer,

At Crosshall Junior School, we have started the year with a review of what we want for our school. As a result, we have put together three statements about our curriculum, our children and our staff, that we would like to share with our community to support us in achieving our goals.

The first statement is about our curriculum:

**We deliver a creative and exciting, broad and balanced curriculum that builds over time and provides knowledge and skills that equip children to succeed in their current and future life.**

There are many pressures on a primary school curriculum, but, at this school, we have always endeavoured to ensure that we teach every subject, so our children get to experience every aspect of the curriculum and learn where their passions may lie.

One key element of this statement is our aim to prepare our children for the future. To support this, we have our school values that we interweave into our lessons and our unique **Future Me** curriculum.

To achieve this aim, we want our children to understand that the learning they do now is important for their future. Parents and carers can support with this by talking about school with their children. Every week, in our newsletter, we have a key question from each year group team that can be used to start this discussion, but one question we use with our own families is, "What did you learn today?"

Have a wonderful week - parent evening bookings open from 4pm today.

**Mr Dan Ainscow & Mr Liam Murphy | Acting Co-Head Teachers**

### PCLR Week

**Parent and Child Learning Review Week is 10th - 14th February.** Every family needs an appointment with their child's class teacher. Appointments are held via video call. A letter has gone out in Letter Day email today with details on how to book your slot. Click [HERE](#) to see letter.

### Crosshall PTA: Key Dates

- 27th & 28th March 2025  
**PTA Mother's Day Shop**
- 2nd April 2025  
**PTA Easter Disco**
- 4th April 2025  
**PTA Easter Raffle**

**Remember to donate** any unwanted, good condition Christmas jumpers!



**Currently at Crosshall** View photos of events and performances  
Head to our website under [Our School](#) > [Currently at Crosshall](#)

**Local Community News** Head to our website [HERE](#)  
Email [office@crosshalljunior.co.uk](mailto:office@crosshalljunior.co.uk) to include your local event

## TOPICS IN SCHOOL



### WORD OF THE WEEK: ACCOUNTABILITY *noun*

taking responsibility for your actions and making sure you do what you said you would do. It's about being honest, doing your best, and owning up if things go wrong so you can fix them

**synonym** responsibility

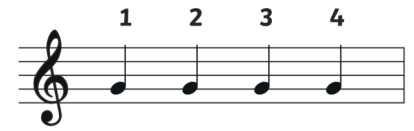


### AUTHOR OF THE MONTH: Michael Morpurgo

Books include: *The War Horse*, *Shadow*



### RHYTHM OF THE WEEK



## YEAR FIVE & SIX FUTSAL COMPETITION

Last week, a group of Year Five and Six girls ventured to St Ives for a Futsal competition and came a respectable fourth place. The team worked together in unfamiliar positions to score some fantastic goals. They showed ambition, resilience and kindness and represented the school wonderfully. Miss Howell and Mrs Blackwell also would like to thank the adults who attended and supported the school with providing travel to and from the venue and positivity throughout the competition.



### CJS BREAKFAST CLUB

We are currently considering offering a **CJS Breakfast Club** before school and would value your input and opinions. Please complete the survey linked in letter [HERE](#).

## YEAR THREE FIREWORK POEMS

Year Three have been busy creating some fantastic firework poems. As part of this project, a selection of poems have been collated into books and sent to six local care homes for their residents to enjoy and read.

Well done Year Three!



### HIRE AVAILABLE

Our school space is available during evenings and weekends for hire. Email the office and visit our website [HERE](#) for more details.

## USEFUL LINKS - ADVICE & SUPPORT

### Learning & Wellbeing Support

Navigating separation can be difficult and challenging. [Only Mums](#) and [Only Dads](#) are useful websites with support and advice for parents going through divorce and separation.

### Online Safety

The UK Safer Internet Centre website have some top tips to help 7-11 year olds stay safe from scams online and enjoy your time learning, playing and chatting with others [Tips for 7-11 year olds - UK Safer Internet](#)



## LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS



COINS	Yvonne G	IMPROVED	Samuel L
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Our **CJS Amazon Wish list** is full of items to enhance activities for children across the school.

We really appreciate the extra helping hand, link [HERE](#)

## Question of the Week

The questions below are related to some teaching that took place in each year group this week.

Year Three

What is a branching database?

Year Four

Can you demonstrate a balance to an adult at home?

Year Five

Find three objects that fit the following properties: transparent; rigid; impermeable.

Year Six

What is selective breeding?