



UPCOMING DATES

CROSSHALL JUNIOR SCHOOL WEEKLY UPDATES | W.E. 07.02.25

MESSAGE FROM ACTING CO-HEAD TEACHERS

Dear Parent/ Carer,

For all the staff at Crosshall Junior School, providing opportunities for children to experience a wide range of different activities from creating clay works of art, experimenting with magnets to choreographing dances is a vital part of being in primary school. This links closely to our final statement which is about the curriculum we want to offer:

We will 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.

A fundamental element of this section is equipping our children to be successful in future. One element of this is by being the best readers, writers and mathematicians as possible as research suggests that the more secure in these skills children are, the more likely they are to achieve success. In addition, we want to encourage critical thinking skills to allow them to navigate a world full of information; creativity to allow children to be happier; and a clear understanding of how to lead healthy lives.

Our curriculum is always developing and never stands still, so we are always able to improve our provision and provide better ways of supporting our children in accessing their learning.

Next week, we are looking forward to catching up with parents about the children's successes and where we can work together to offer more support. If you have not quite managed to book a slot yet, please get in touch as we will aim to meet with every parent.

Enjoy the weekend break

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

PCLR Week - from Monday

Just a reminder that if you haven't yet booked an appointment with your child's class teacher, please do so. See [LETTER](#) Once booked, you will receive a confirmation email and then a reminder email with be sent, on the day, one hour before your slot with a video link.

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



CURRICULUM PATHWAYS

Each year groups' curriculum pathway is available to view [HERE](#)

• wc 10th February 2025
PCLR Week [LETTER](#)
Come Join School Lunch: Family Week

• 11th February 2025
New To You Sale 3:20pm-3:40pm [POSTER](#)

• 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](#)

• 17th-21st March 2025
STEM Week

• 18th March 2025
Year Three: Fitzwilliam Day Trip 3CD [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



TOPICS IN SCHOOL



WORD OF THE WEEK: **mental adjective**

relating to the mind or involving the process of thinking

synonym: intellectual, reasoning

antonym: physical



AUTHOR OF THE MONTH: [Tom Percival](#)

Books include: Big Bright Feelings series, Little Legends series, Dream Defenders series



RHYTHM OF THE WEEK



ACTIVALL IN SCHOOL

Thanks to funding secured by Miss Howell, we have recently received our very own ActivAll interactive fitness board!

It's a great way to improve mental agility, concentration, hand/eye coordination and many more essential skills.

Year Four were amongst the first to use our new ActivAll and over the coming weeks other year groups will get to grips with it during P.E. sessions.



MESSAGE FOR YEAR THREE: WORLD BOOK



During the afternoon of World Book Day, on 6th March, Year Three children will be completing a fun range of book related activities.

For one of the activities, children will be turning a toilet roll/kitchen roll into one of their favourite book character/s.

Please can you send your child into school with one/two toilet rolls/kitchen rolls **before Thursday 6th March**.



From Monday, **5AS** will exit out of the 'white door' at the end of school each day.

USEFUL LINKS - ADVICE & SUPPORT

Learning & Wellbeing Support

The Hub of Hope is now the UK's go-to mental health support signposting tool, with thousands of local, regional and national support groups and services listed. Click [HERE](#)

Online Safety

[National Cyber Security Centre](#) has useful tips for 7-11 year olds. Check out games and resources [HERE](#)



LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

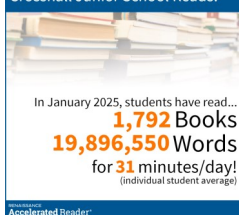
RENAISSANCE Accelerated Reader®

JANUARY 2025

MOST POINTS EARNED Miao Miao X (123.9)

MOST QUIZZES PASSED Harrison F (26)

Crosshall Junior School Reads!



amazonwishlist

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](#)



COINS Lottie Mcl **IMPROVED** Cayden McG



DIAMOND Yvonne G



COINS Dabira F **SPEED** Freddie C **IMPROVED** Harry C **NEXT WEEK'S BATTLE** Cardiff v London

JANUARY 5T NEETS TOP OF THE ROCKS 3rd

Question of the Week

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

Year Three Can you name some similarities and differences between Greece and the U.K.?

Year Four What can you tell your adult about Manga art?

Year Five Tell an adult three strategies you have learnt to support your mental wellbeing.

Year Six Which inspirational person did you write your letter to and why?