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Friday 26th April 2024

We've had another busy week here at Crowton with lots of exciting learning opportunities. During worship on Monday, we learnt about Earth Day. We talked about how we could make changes to help the planet – a reminder of the importance of nurturing and preserving our environment. Here's to another week filled with excitement, discovery and the joys of spring as we hopefully see the arrival of some warmer weather!



Best wishes,
Miss L Hill

Dear Lord,

We seek the strength and courage to face the challenges that lie before us.



Help us to trust in your divine plan, knowing that you have equipped us with the strength to overcome any obstacle that may come our way.

Fill our hearts with the courage to stand up for what is right, to speak out against injustice and to champion the cause of love and compassion in a world often filled with division and strife.

Amen.

Events happening next week...

Monday 29th April	Music for Life (Guitar/Ukulele)
	Year 6 Only Club 3:15-4pm
Tuesday 30th April	Music for Life (Piano)
Wednesday 1st May	PE with George (All children to wear PE kits)
	KS2 Sports Club 3:15-4pm (Please provide consent via School Spider)
Thursday 2nd May	Ethos Group 3:15-4pm
Friday 3rd May	

Parent Voice Feedback – March 2024

Thank you for participating in our recent parent voice survey. Your feedback is invaluable to us as we strive to create the best possible learning environment for our pupils at Crowton.

Here are some key takeaways from the survey:

"This school is so full of love and a real family feel. All the kids get along and accept each other for who they are."

"Teachers know and understand the children so well and genuinely care for them."

"Small class sizes which means the children all participate. Ability to address issues quickly and more easily because of the size of the school."

"Crowton has a very caring atmosphere where pupils respect one another and are keen to learn. The school feels like a family where children are safe, encouraged and known very well."

"The children being greeted every morning at the gate starts the day well and creates a safe environment from the outset."

"The teachers and staff members are all just incredible. Everybody is so kind and nurturing and they all know each individual child so well and work to each child's strengths whilst supporting them in individual areas of need."

What could we do better?

You said...	We did...
Half term planning communicated ahead of time.	Staff are working on our whole school curriculum documents and will be uploading curriculum maps to our class pages for parents to access. This will provide you with an overview of the topics covered each half term for the whole academic year in each individual subject area.
Communication with child's progress.	We have scheduled Parents Evenings for 7 th / 8 th May to ensure parents are kept up to date with their child's progress. We have also invested in NFER Assessments which the children will complete each term. These assessments will ensure accurate benchmarking data and provide a clear picture in terms of individual progress for each child.
Extra-curricular activities for KS1.	We are currently exploring a number of additional clubs which we would like to add to our extra-curricular offer. Currently, KS1 children have the option to take part in a science lunchtime club weekly with Miss Russon. We are looking to develop a 'Book and a Biscuit' club, an Arts/Craft club and potentially invite other external providers into school to extend our offer.
Forest school last year was a real hit.	We have booked Forest School sessions for all pupils which will commence next half term. These sessions will take place weekly on a Thursday morning. More information coming soon!
SEND training and support	I am working closely with our school SENCO, Mrs Gibson, to ensure that we have an action plan in place to support staff, pupils and parents. I have arranged to visit other schools to look at their SEN provision and will be looking at inviting professionals into school to host SEND Coffee Mornings which parents are welcome to attend. Dates/times to follow.

Stay and Play Session

A reminder to **please spread the word** about our upcoming stay and play session in a couple of weeks time! **This is available for 3-5 year olds.** We provide a safe environment for the children to play and socialise with other children.



Where: Crowton Christ Church C.E. Primary School

When: Tuesday 7th May 2024

Time: 1:15-2:45pm

A great way to have a chat with other new or prospective parents and school staff! Access is by the main entrance. For further information, please contact the office at Crowton at the following email address: admin@crowton.cheshire.sch.uk

Lunches

WB 29.4.24 Menu 3



E-Safety

Linked to our work on Earth Day this week, our 10 tips for parents and carers provide you with some ideas on what to do with your old tech!



[Click here](#) to find out **how to be green with your tech!**

Parents Evening

Please don't forget to book a slot for Parents Evening! 😊



Friends of Crowton School – SAVE THE DATE!

The next meeting will be on **Thursday 9th May at 7pm** at the Hazel Pear pub. Please come and join us if you are able to!

We have lots of exciting events planned and will be discussing our plans!

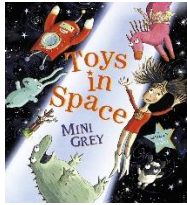


Friends of Crowton School

EYFS and KS1: Kingfishers

The children have worked hard during their RE lesson earlier this week investigating different religious texts. Pupils spent the afternoon looking at different types of Bibles. They chose their favourites and explained why they liked them the best. They drew pictures of their favourites.

In Science, the children planted sunflowers in pots to germinate. They will take them home when they are bigger and replant them to see who will win our 'tallest sunflower competition.'

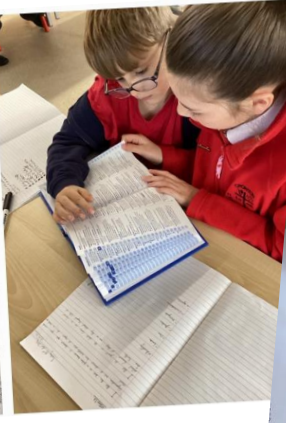
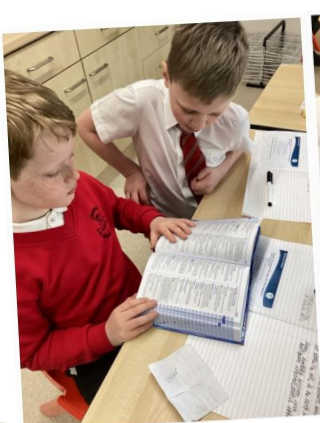


Pupils have continued to explore their Pathways to Write text 'Toys in Space'. This week, we used our senses to write a description and sequenced events in the story so far!



KS2: Chaffinches

During Pathways to Read, Year 3/4 used dictionaries to find the meanings for words that we will come across in our new book this half term. Children worked confidently to find words independently in dictionaries. We began our Art unit in KS2 we are looking at presenting self-portraits in different styles - this week we used a poem to trace over the lines in our portraits. In music we focused on keeping in time with each other and an open and closed strumming. Finally, in Ethos Worship this morning, we talked about our value of courage and standing up for what we believe in.



We Achieve



We Believe



We Care





Sponsored SLEEP Over

Further Details:

All Children are invited to join the sponsored challenge of sleeping over at Crowton School with their teachers and classmates. This is a lovely experience for children to take part in, and will help them to build independence and confidence staying away from home in a safe and familiar environment.

FOCS volunteers will be helping out between 7pm and 9pm to entertain the children with fun games, a treasure hunt, a snack, crafts/board games. After this the children will settle down in their own classroom for a movie. The children will sleep in their classrooms (boys on one side, girls on the other) with teaching staff who will include Miss Porter, Miss Russon and Miss Hill.

Sleepover Itinerary:

- Children will go home at the end of the school day on Friday as normal to eat their tea and change into Pyjamas
- Children return to school in their PJs at 7pm
- 7pm – Welcome and setup sleeping bags in Classrooms
- 7.15pm – Group Games and Treasure Hunt
- 8pm – Snack (Toast / Crumpet / Bagel) & Hot Chocolate
- 8.15pm – Crafts and Board Games
- 9pm – Settle in classrooms for a Movie & popcorn
- 9.30pm – Movie break for brushing teeth
- Go to sleep after the movie (or before)

Saturday Morning:

- 7-7.30am – Breakfast (Breakfast Cereal and Cordial)
- 7.30 – 8.30am – Outdoor play / games weather permitting
- 8.30am – Pickup time – children will be ready to come home still in their PJs.

Items to bring:

- A Sleeping bag or single duvet
- A pillow
- A mat to make the floor more comfortable (an exercise mat or camping mat or a self inflating camping mat (please don't bring an air bed which needs to be inflated as these take up too much space)
- Water bottle
- Tooth brush and tooth paste
- Teddy / Cuddly toy

Sponsorship:

Sponsorship forms will be sent home soon. We ask that the children raise a minimum of £10 sponsorship each to ensure costs are covered. All children will receive a certificate after the sleepover to share with Family and Friends to show they successfully completed the Whole School Sleepover Challenge.

Next Steps:

If your child would like to attend the sleepover, please complete the permission slip which will be sent out to parents. If you have any questions about anything to do with the sleepover, please speak to class teachers on school pickup.

