



Crich Carr Church of England Primary School and Nursery Newsletter 2 – November 2nd 2022

Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that everyone has had a great half term holiday and we're all ready for the return tomorrow.

Safeguarding

Our number one priority in school is keeping everyone safe, both emotionally and physically. If you have any concerns about your child or any other, please bring them to the attention of the school Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mr Robson, or the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Holmes.

Based on our conversation we will then decide an appropriate course of action to help support a child at risk and their family.

You can also directly contact Starting Point, which is the centralised referral point for safeguarding concerns in Derbyshire, or, if someone is in immediate danger, contact the police.

Another way to contact us for advice is through our safeguarding mailbox:

safeguarding@crichcarr.derbyshire.sch.uk. This is especially useful if you wish to contact us for advice in the holidays. Again though, if the concern is urgent, you should contact **Starting Point** on **01629 533190** or the Police.

Over coming weeks, we will be undertaking work with the children to promote their safety and well-being. Next week is anti-bullying week and we will share some of the work we have done with the children about this important issue through Class Dojo.

We will also be learning how to keep safe online, something that is vitally important in this day and age. We have shared an information leaflet with you about online safety and over coming weeks will be sharing other information leaflets. We have also invited NSPCC into school and after Christmas they will be working with the children. We will send you details of the programme and content before it is undertaken.

Halloween Disco

I would like to say a huge thank you to the PFTA and all the volunteers who made the Halloween disco a spook-tacular success. By all accounts, it was a great evening with a great array of activities, music and costumes on display. Also, we are extremely grateful for all the money raised to support the school.

After-School Clubs

It is really important that we try to make sure that our after-school clubs break even. As such we will be trialling some different activities to attempt to boost numbers. On Friday 11th November we will be holding our first Movie Night. The movies have been selected based on recommendations by the School Council, based on discussions with all children. Our first movie will be 'The Addams Family'. The cost will be £8. We will be providing pizza and popcorn for tea. Hopefully we will see lots of children there! If successful we will be holding Movie Nights every two weeks on a Friday.

Important Dates

We have set **INSET days** for the remainder of the school year.

Friday 2nd December 2022

Monday 9th January 2023

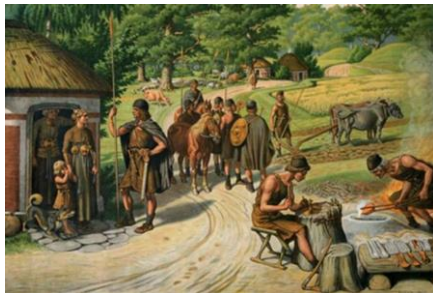
Friday 18th November

Class 2 trip to Brackenhurst

We will be informing you very soon of the dates for our Christmas activities.



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New Clubs

Mrs Pawlitta will be running a Lego and Kinex Club on Wednesdays from 3.15pm to 4pm. A letter will go out shortly. Children will be able to boost their building skills and see if they can complete Mrs Pawlitta's challenges. All are welcome.

All the clubs we ran last half term will continue this half term as well.

Harvest Celebration

Thank you to everyone who attended our Harvest Celebration on Wednesday 19th October or who donated to our collection, which was taken the foodbank at Matlock Green. The children were brilliant, there was some beautiful singing, excellent artwork, super reading and delicious-smelling bread on display. Thanks also to Dennis from St Mary's for coming down to share his thoughts about Harvest Festival.

Start of the School Day

There are still a considerable number of children who are not in school on time and who sometimes arrive significantly after the start of the day. This has a significant impact on our start to the day and on the children's learning. The school gate is open from 8.35am so children have a 10-minute window for children to arrive in school ready to start their first lesson.

Topics

Class 1s new topic will this term will be 'What Builds A Community?' The children will be learning about people who help us as well as about important services available to us in the local community. Class 2 will continue to consider 'Does Technology Make Our Lives Better?' but will now be looking at the Bronze Age and Iron Age, as well as the Stone Age, and later this term will study some more recent innovations that have impacted our lives. Class 3 will be think about 'Are We All Really Equal?' but will be looking at the Civil Rights Movement in the US and the UK before researching fights for equal rights going on today.