

## Crosby Ravensworth C.E. (A) Primary School

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**Dear Parents** 

## Attendance in School

Attendance in school has dropped considerably this term compared to our usually high figures. While COVID related issues have had an impact, our data has drawn the eye of the local authority as Cumbria's target for attendance is 96% but Crosby currently runs at 92%. We have been reminded that colds and coughs are common at this time of year but it is expected that children continue to attend unless symptoms are particularly severe. It is expected that any persistent medical absence is supported by medical evidence, which parents are duty-bound to secure. Going to school regularly is important for each child's future. Parents are legally responsible for making sure their children receive full-time education and could be fined or prosecuted as part of the local authority's process.

The school has a clear policy regarding holidays in term time <u>which can be read here</u>. Holidays are only authorized in exceptional circumstances. To read more about the impact that absence from school has on pupils, I would encourage parents to <u>read this article</u>.

## **Free School Meals**

Personal circumstances change all the time and many have felt hardship throughout this pandemic. We'd like to remind all parents that there is a simple check they can do to find out if they might be eligible to receive free school meals or gain other funding to help support their children. Please visit <u>Cumbria local authority website</u> or call 01228 606060 to find out more. If you'd like assistance with this, please ask for help at the school office.

## **School Photos**

We hope you are pleased with the proofs of your child's school photo. To make your purchase, please return the envelope to the school office by Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

## Forest School Day.

There will be a Forest School Day on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. We expect to be outside for most of the day and as the forecast is for much colder weather, it is **very important** that the children come in warm layers, including hats and gloves. If your child will be wearing wellies, please ensure they will be have thick socks. If they have a walking boot style shoe, this would be warmer. Children will be working with willow, composting leaves for the vegetable beds and toasting campfire food.

## Westmorland Dales

Information about the history and heritage of villages across the Westmorland Dales is being gathered. Nine online notice boards have been set up where locals can visit and add their own stories, images and comments. Comments will help inform the development of new information boards, leaflets and other media for Westmorland Dales village communities and visitors. For further information contact Amanda Walters, Interpretation Officer at the Westmorland Dales Landscape Partnership Scheme. Telephone: 01539 756623 Email: <a href="mailto:amanda-walters@fld.org.uk">amanda-walters@fld.org.uk</a>











## Tri-Golf

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November, Y5 and Y6 will be attending a Tri-Golf competition at Appleby Grammar in the morning. Children should arrive in school in PE kits with a change of school uniform clothes, a drink and a healthy snack. The event will be held indoors.

## Indoor Sports Club – Friday 3rd Dec

Please note that due to preparations for the Christmas Fayre, there will be NO afterschool club on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. If you have a child care issue due to this cancellation, please let the school know so we can try to help with arrangements.

#### **Christmas Videos**

As Christmas draws closer, we'd like to draw your attention to some advent videos prepared by our friends at NISCU. They include poems, personal stories, puppets and knitted stop motion animation, cartoons and emojis. Each lasts around 4 minutes to be spread over the next 5 weeks.

Advent story 1: https://youtu.be/JCqedP16yVk Advent story 2: https://youtu.be/z8Jb5LNUCYc Advent story 3: https://youtu.be/Tq8O6MAJ\_78 Advent story 4: https://youtu.be/IX4qe6WyNDA All 5 Advent stories: https://youtu.be/QIZNNGBXZJC

Have your little ones made the nice list this year?



The big man himself will be visiting us at THE BUTCHERS ARMS on Christmas Eve at 4pm.

If you would like your child to be added to the list to receive a gift please call 01931 715500.

The cost is £5 per child.

Deadline for names on the list is 12<sup>th</sup> December.



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## Summary of dates for your diary:

Monday 22nd November Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December Forest School Day Tri-golf Christmas Fayre School Christmas Play Panto Christmas Community Lunch Term Ends 2pm

#### After school club - Week beginning: 22nd November2021

 $\pounds$ 4 a session or 5 for  $\pounds$ 16 (this can be split across siblings) Please tick which sessions you would like your child to attend:

| Monday – Indoor Games  |        |        | Thursday – Victorian Christmas |                                |        |
|--|--------|--------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|
| Tuesday – Christmas Crafts                                       |        |        | Friday – Indoor Sports         |                                |        |
| Wednesday – Razzmatazz   |        |        |                                |                                |        |
| Breakfast Club – 8am or 8.30am (£3 from 8am and 50p from 8.30am) |        |        |                                |                                |        |
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| Monday   | 8.00am | 8.30an | n Thursday                     | 8.00am                         | 8.30am |
| Tuesday  | 8.00am | 8.30am | n Friday                       | 8.00am                         | 8.30am |
| Wednesday  | 8.00am | 8.30am | (Please circle reque           | (Please circle requested time) |        |
| Child's Name   |        |        |                                |                                |        |
| I enclose £ To pay forsessions                                   |        |        |                                |                                |        |

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