

Weekly Newsletter

'Education on another level, where possibilities are endless'

Welcome back to Summer term!

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely break. It has been wonderful having the children back in this week and hearing about all of the things they got up to over the holidays. All the children have come back in brilliantly and we are excited about our summer term - the final one of the year!

Summer term brings a new curriculum bookshelf for each of our classes as well as some exciting learning opportunities, more information will be shared on Tapestry, through this Newsletter and on our website – so please keep your eyes peeled.

Some of the learning this week in both classes has linked to Earth Day (which we also looked at in assembly) with some fantastic artwork being produced. We have had painting 3D Earths, creating 3D honeycomb prints, bee drawing and paper plate Earth painting! All of which will provide a brilliant display for around school!



Collaboration with Castlefield Viaduct – Community Artwork

This half term we will be venturing out on another educational visit this time to Castlefield Viaduct. We will be sending a letter out next week detailing this visit and, just a heads up, we will be asking for parent helpers to support with the walking to and from Castlefield Viaduct.

As mentioned in <u>Issue 25</u>, Castlefield Viaduct have arranged for all our children to receive a community pass (for 1 child + 2 adults), which offers a free visit to Dunham Massey, Quarry Bank or Lyme Park – it is not needed for Castlefield Viaduct as this is free entry.

Crown Street Primary artwork will be displayed at Castlefield Viaduct from 2^{nd} May – 31^{st} May, and the full art exhibition will be on at Castlefield Viaduct the weekend of 17^{th} – 18^{th} May.

Should you wish to see the touring artwork at other sites, Crown Street Primary artwork will be on display at:

- Quarry Bank 3rd 4th May
- *Lyme Park* 10th 11th May
- Castlefield Viaduct 17th 18th May
- Dunham Massey 24th 25th May

If you want any more information, you can find it by clicking the link here - <u>Blossom and Bloomtown in Greater</u> <u>Manchester | National Trust</u> just scroll down to the 'Blossom artwork across the North West' and select the site you wish to find out more about (our name is in the Castlefield Viaduct section!) We will send home the community passes on Tuesday 29th April and they need to be used by 1st June 2025.

Warmer weather

According to the news and weather (although this is always subject to change!) we may be experiencing some warmer weather next week.

With this in mind, please can we ask that parents apply sun cream to children before the school day and provide suitable sun hats (labelled) for your children to wear during the school day. Your child can also bring in sun cream (labelled) to reapply themselves under adult supervision. Please also ensure your child has their school water bottle with them everyday too.

Please can we ask that before sending any sun cream in with your child that you check that the ingredients/formula does not contain almond oil (or any other nut-oil) as we are a nut-free school.

PARENT COUNCIL

One of the ways our school want to engage with our parent community and ensure we are working together is through our Parent Council.

The purpose of our Parent Council is to provide a constructive forum for sharing feedback about what's gone well, and also any suggestions for what could be even better in the future. A parent representative from each class will collect feedback, sometimes with a specific focus, and then discuss this with myself at our Parent Council Meetings. With this being our opening year, this has taken us a little while to set up – but we would like to hold our first Parent Council Meeting next week.

So, we are asking all parents/carers to share any feedback about what has gone well with starting at Crown Street Primary School, and anything that could be even better. A specific focus on the transition process (communication, information provided, settling in etc) would be welcomed. Please share your feedback with your class representative by **Wednesday 30th April**.

For Pre-School, our Class Representative is Eiddris Fakir, please share your feedback via <u>parentcouncilcs@gmail.com</u>

For Reception, our Class Representative is Yasmin Babiker, please share your feedback via <u>vasmin updates@hotmail.com</u>

Please note, that any specific concerns relating to your child should be shared with your child's Class Teacher, and not shared in this forum.

Ties

Exciting news - we now have a stock of Crown Street Primary ties in school! We appreciate that being a smaller item of uniform they may get misplaced more than other items or possibly broken, and the cost of ordering such a small item online (with delivery charges) was expensive, so we have now organised to have a supply within school.

Should you wish to purchase a tie from school, please email admin@crownstreetprimary.org.uk or pop into the Front Office and speak to Mrs McGowan. We cannot accept cash, but the charge will be added to your MCAS account. Don't forget to label the tie before it being worn.

Assembly this week

In our assembly this week we discussed Earth Day, which was started to encourage people around the world to think and learn about what we can do to look after our planet. It is held every year on 22nd April and this year the theme was 'Our Power, Our Planet.' We talked about our favourite outdoor spaces and how we can help to make a difference to our planet so that we can continue to enjoy it. We then used this as an opportunity to discuss recycling. We already recycle food waste at lunchtime, but due to new measures in places across schools in Manchester, we have now introduced more food waste bins within our classrooms and across school. The children have already been helping to recycle their fruit snack in the new food waste bins. A little step towards us helping our planet.

We also revisited our School Rules – especially making good choices. We discussed the good choices we can make in the classroom, which our children have been doing as LOTS of Class Points have been given out this week – despite only being in for 3 days! Well done children – keep it up!

Storytime this week

To link with Earth Day, I read 'A Good Place' by Lucy Cousins (the same author as Peck Peck



Peck – which was on Pre-School's bookshelf in Spring). A story following four insects looking for a good place to live. We used this to discuss what we can do to help make our planet a good place for all living creatures. We then talked about our ideas for how at school, we could help.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tues 22nd April – Inset day – school not open to pupils Weds 23rd April – Start of Summer term – school open to pupils Thurs 1st May – Parent Council Meeting, 3.30pm Mon 5th May – Bank Holiday – school closed Thurs 15th May – Wear Green for Mental Health Day* Friday 16th May – School Visit – Castlefield Viaduct* Thurs 22nd May – Pyjamarama (BookTrust Event)* Fri 23rd May – Last day of Summer 1 – close for half term Mon 2nd June – Start of Summer 2 - school open to pupils



*more information on these events will be shared next week