

Weekly Newsletter

'Education on another level, where possibilities are endless'

Welcome back to Autumn 2!

MYSTERY READERS

This week we held our first Mystery Reader session last week in Pre-School – a firm favourite of 'Monkey Puzzle' was read and we all loved it!

Our Mystery Reader sessions will run in each class, every Tuesday at 2,45pm, until the end of the term. If you are interested in becoming a 'Mystery Reader' then please complete our [Mystery Reader form](#) and select the sessions you are available.

BIRTHDAY BOOKS

It is always exciting when it is your birthday and we appreciate that sometimes our children wish to celebrate by sharing something with the class. We kindly ask that sweet treats are not brought into school, but instead a Birthday Book is donated.

Every Birthday book is marked with a special sticker before entering the class library so that they can be read and shared by all. We have had lots of fantastic Birthday Book donations already this year – thank you to all children (and their parents) for donating such a great selection!

WORDS FOR LIFE - Talk and Walk Trail

Talking to your child can support with their communication and language, as well as building their understanding and developing stronger bonds and relationships. If your child is already confident in their communication, it can be an opportunity to develop their vocabulary.

The first five years of a child's life have a big impact. Their development throughout this time helps to improve their future learning, happiness and wellbeing. By talking, listening, playing and introducing new things you can encourage this development. Even when a child becomes slightly older (like our Year 1s) all of this is still important.

The Walk and Talk trail sets out some easy ways/activities to make the most of everyday opportunities to chat with your child, especially when they are out and about.

Please find more information, including the 'Talk and Walk' Booklet here - [Talk and Walk Trail](#).

If English is not your first language, we encourage you to talk with your child in your home language. You can find translated copies of the above booklet on the same link – just scroll down.

KIDS CLUB

Kids Club Charges

All charges for Kids Club patterns for this half term have been added to My Child At School accounts. Payments must be made by the penultimate Friday of half term, which is Friday 12th December. Please ensure payments are made to secure your sessions.

Contacting Kids Club - Kids Club Email Address

Going forward, if you wish to contact us about anything regarding Kids Club – request places, making changes etc, please email us on our Kids Club email – kidsclub@crowstreetprimary.org.uk

Changes to Patterns

Please note that, any in-year changes to booking requests must be made in writing by email to the above Kids Club email by the penultimate Friday of each half-term. This allows time for amendments to patterns and charges to be made, before the start of the new half-term. Changes will start on the first day of the following half-term.



Children in Need - Friday 14th November

To acknowledge Children in Need on Friday 14th November we are inviting the children to come into school wearing their own clothes. If you have any Pudsey/Children in Need themed items – for example - Pudsey ears, Children in Need t-shirts, or anything spotty – these are welcomed, but not essential/expected.

We will not be taking a donation for this, however if you are able to donate and/or wish to donate please follow the link here – [Donate to Children in Need](#)



SAVE THE DATE – WINTER PERFORMANCE



Our EYFS (*Pre-School and Reception*) Winter Performance is on Tuesday 9th December, 9.30am start time

Our Year 1 Winter Performance is on Thursday 11th December, 9.30am start time

RECEPTION 2026 ADMISSIONS

Applications for Reception Admissions for September 2026 are now open. Please note being part of our Pre-School does not guarantee you a place within our Reception.

The co-ordination of admissions is undertaken by Manchester City Council. Should you, or anyone you know be interested then you can find more information on our website by clicking here – [Reception Admissions](#)

PRE-SCHOOL 2026 ADMISSIONS

If you have a child born between **1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023**, they will be eligible to start in our Pre-School in September 2026. If you are interested in applying, we will be offering tours for prospective parents from January 2025. The Admissions form will be available from mid-December and be open until Mid-March 2026. For more information on our Pre-School please visit the '[Pre-School](#)' page of our website. To book onto a Pre-School tour then please click here – [Book a tour for Pre-School](#)

INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The proof of your child's individual school photograph has been sent home with them (please check book bags!) Please find all the information you need on these to order the photographs.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 10th November – School Tour
(for prospective Reception parents/carers)

Tues 11th November – Remembrance Day

Mon 24th Nov – Digital Safety Online Workshop
(hosted by Smoothwall, on Zoom) Please click [here to register for this online session](#).

W/C Mon 24th Nov – Play & Pick-up Sessions for Pre-School & Reception – *dates TBC next week*

Tues 25th Nov – Parent Council Meeting

Tues 9th Dec – EYFS Winter Performance

Thurs 11th Dec – EYFS Winter Performance

For 2025-26 and 2026-27 Term Dates please [click here](#)

As we start a new half term, some reminders from us ...

Punctuality

Full attendance, including arriving on time, is important for your child's academic success but also for their personal and social development too. Arriving late can impact the start of the day routine and can mean important learning is missed. We ask that you support us with this and ensure your child arrives at school on time each day – the gate/door opens at 8.45am and are closed promptly at 8.55am.

Uniform

A reminder that children should be coming to school in full school uniform – including the correct colour tights and shoes. We ask where possible, that children in Reception and Year 1 use book bags as these take up less space in the cloakrooms/classrooms. Children should only be bringing their water bottle, reading records/books and possibly a lunchbox to school. For further information, on our Uniform Policy, please see our website here - [School Uniform](#).

Labelling Clothes

We have already had quite a few lost items in the first half-term of school, and many of these items have not been named. Please could you ensure that any items your child brings into school (including ties, lunchboxes and spare clothes) are labelled with your child's name. For those of you who have purchased a branded school coat, there is a care label + name label tag in one of the zipped pockets – so please ensure their name is on these too.

Spare Clothes for Pre-School and Reception

Please could we ask that Pre-School and Reception parents/carers provide a bag with spare clothes in that can stay in school during the week. The children have their own box in the cloakroom where this can be kept. Should we need to use the clothes we will send them home to be replaced.

No toys in school

Please could we ask that children do not bring in toys from home into school, this also includes having large toy-like keyrings on their bags. All children need to bring into school are items of uniform (coats, scarves, hats, gloves, spares etc), water bottles and their school book/s (Library books, plus Phonics book and Reading Record for Reception children).

Thank you for your support with all the above.



Bravery



Citizenship



Curiosity



Gratitude



Integrity



Kindness