

# Cromford Church Of England Primary School



## December Newsletter

Welcome to the final Newsletter of 2023. The children have had a busy term with many highlights including: Cross Country, Harvest Festival, Remembrance Service, Children in Need, Christmas Lunch, Infant Nativity, Panto, Christmas Fair and Carol Service.

### Staffing

It has been a challenging term for many and we really appreciate your support through this.

Mrs Brassington has been with us since September in the Owls class and has contributed much to the school team. We'd like to thank her for her work and support.

Miss Marshall hopes to be back with the Owls class next term and we look forward to welcoming her back.

Mrs Quick is planning to return to the Robins class in January – We are really grateful to Mrs Holt for all her work in recent weeks, keeping the class on course and working with supply staff to ensure consistency for the children.

### Clothing



Please ensure your children come to school in appropriate clothing, footwear and coats suitable to the weather. We are more than happy for children to travel to school in their wellies and then change into their shoes when they arrive.

### Parking



We're growing increasingly concerned for the children's safety outside of the school gates due to cars parking within the immediate area. We would like to ask you to refrain from parking outside of school when dropping off or collecting your children. Please, if you can, use the community centre carpark and walk up to school.

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## Afterschool Club



Mrs Brook will be running a chess club every Tuesday afterschool. It will start from 30<sup>th</sup> January and she would really appreciate any second hand or unwanted chess boards which can be brought into school at any time. Mrs Brook and the children want to thank the PTA for purchasing some toys and games for the clubs.

## Brass



Brass (for years 5 & 6) will resume on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January.

## Carol Service



Our school carol service will be on Thursday 21st December starting at 2pm. The service takes place at St Mary's Church in Cromford (by the Mill) and all are welcome. The Junior pupils will be retelling the Christmas story and there will be plenty of opportunity to join in with traditional carols, followed by warm drinks and mince pies!

Children may leave with parents/carers at 3pm. If you're not attending the carol service, please collect your child from the church at 3pm. If you are unable to collect at 3pm, please let the office know and we will walk the children back to school. After school club will be available but it will not be a forest school session.

## PTA



Our thanks to the PTA for their support with the coach and ice creams for the Panto last week – We had a great time!

The Christmas Fair was a huge success and raised an amazing **£919.70!** Thank you to everyone who helped make it happen. Thank you to all those who brought raffle tickets, donated items and visited the fair itself.

**THANK YOU**

## Infant Nativity



Our youngest children put on a truly delightful performance once again. They retold the Christmas story with confidence and looked great in their costumes.

## Forest School



Please see below for the following timetable:

Jan – Feb: Robins Class  
Feb – Mar: Owls Class  
Apr – May: Robins Class  
Jun – Jul: Eagles Class

*\*Please send your child to school with a change of, weather suitable, clothes and shoes/wellies for the sessions.*

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## Party Day





All Children can come to school in their party clothes on 22<sup>nd</sup> December. The catering team will be providing some lovely party food for lunch, which will include sandwiches, nibbles and ice cream.


## Swimming



**Swimming** is for years 1, 5 & 6 next term. Swimming re-commences on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023 and will finish on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2023. Swimming sessions will take place on the following dates:-

 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023

 24<sup>th</sup> January 2023

 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023

 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023

*After a very difficult term, including unexpected flood waters. I am hugely grateful to staff and Governors who have worked tirelessly to enable our lovely school to be open, safe and thriving.*

*Oh behalf of the staff, I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and here's hoping for a great 2024!*

# Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year

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