



# Allens Croft Primary School Newsletter

## Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2018



Welcome back to another busy term! Last term and this week have been jam-packed, full of activities, trips, assemblies, competitions and workshops. This week has been extremely busy- Year 4 went on a trip to learn about Romans, Year 6 performed their assembly about Diwali and Year 5 performed in an assembly about Remembrance day. Both performances were fantastic and we are really proud of all the children in both year groups- well done! Year 1 parents/carers enjoyed a delicious lunch with their children on Thursday and Year 2 took part in their first week of the Architect Ambassador Project. Friends of Allens Croft met with Mrs Timms to discuss the plans for the Christmas Craft Fair. All year groups have started to learn about their new topic this week. The children should have received their home learning packs this week to complete over this half-term.

Please visit [www.allcroft.bham.sch.uk](http://www.allcroft.bham.sch.uk) for more details.

### Remembrance Day- Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November

Year 5 children will be part of the Birmingham Hippodrome Remembrance Day Performance that will be taking place at **New Street Station from 11am to 6pm on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November**. Year 5 children will be performing at **approx.12pm**. Year 5 parents/carers should have received a letter regarding this. All welcome!

### Christmas Card Design Orders- deadline Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November

Remember, if you would like to order Christmas Cards and/or a mug with your child's artwork on, then please bring the order form and payment in by Tuesday at the latest.

### Reception Stay and Play Sessions

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm & Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm

### Reception Come and Read Sessions

You are invited to come along and share a story book with your child at the beginning of every Friday morning at 8.50pm for about 10 minutes. This may change subject to timetable arrangements- we will notify you by text.

### Anti-Bullying Week and Children in Need

Anti-Bullying Week is next week and the children will be taking part in a range of activities to ensure that they have a clear understanding of anti-bullying. We will be focusing on theme 'Choose Respect', focusing on setting a positive example by respecting each other at school, in their homes and communities, and online. On Friday, we will also be taking part in the Children in Need Spontacular so for a donation, your child/ren can come to school wearing odd or spotty socks. Please ensure they wear school uniform. Looking forward to seeing your best funky socks to support the charity and to raise awareness of anti-bullying.

### Scholastic Book Fair

The book fair will be in school **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November to Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** in the main entrance. It will begin at **3.30pm**. Come and have a look and see if you can pick up any Christmas bargains! As it is also Road Safety Awareness Week, the children can take part in a competition to design a Road Safety Poster. The winners of the competition will get to choose a free book from the book fair. Posters need to be handed in by **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** so that they can be judged.

### INSPIRE Workshops

You should have received a letter about the INSPIRE Maths Workshops today. You will get to find out how your child learns in Maths and you will also spend time completing maths activities alongside your child/ren. It is a really valuable experience. Please complete the reply slip. Reception will be having a Phonics INSPIRE workshop.

### Christmas Craft Fair - Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December from 2pm to 4pm

Friends of Allens Croft are busy organising the Christmas Fair, which is on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December from 2pm to 4pm**. In the weeks leading up to the Christmas Craft Fair, we will be asking for donations of bottles (of pop/bath lotion etc), in exchange for the children to wear their own clothes. This is for the hugely popular tombola and to make up the hamper prizes that are such a hit each year! More details/ dates to follow.

Could you donate an auction prize? Maybe you run your own stall and donate proceeds to the school?

Do any member of your family make craft items they could donate to the parents' craft stall?

Please come to the next Friends of Allens Croft meeting on Friday at 2pm, or get in contact with the group through email at [friendsallenscroft@gmail.com](mailto:friendsallenscroft@gmail.com) or the facebook page- [www.facebook.com/AllensCroftPrimary](http://www.facebook.com/AllensCroftPrimary).

### PE Kits

Please ensure your child has their PE Kit in school every day as the children may have PE on different days due to timetable changes. PE kits can be taken home at the end of each week or at the end of each half-term.

### Headwear

Please remember that any hair bands, head scarves, clips or bows should be black/navy/grey or white.

Headbands with ears, flowers, etc are not part of school uniform.

### Wintery Weather


As the weather get colder, please ensure that your child comes to school in a warm waterproof coat, hat, scarf and gloves. If your child comes to school in wellies, please ensure they bring their school shoes to change in to.

Please remember to label all items of clothing.

### Dates for the diary

Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> November at approx. 12pm	Year 5 Remembrance Day Performance (New Street)9
Wb Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week and UK Parliament Week
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 4 Educational Visit to the Hippodrome
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 2 Architect Ambassador Project
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Y5/Y6 Hockey Competition
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need Spots and Odd Socks Day (School Uniform Required)
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> to Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November from 3.30pm	Scholastic Book Fair in main entrance
Wb Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Road Safety Week
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Y3 Educational Visit to Cadbury World
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November at 2pm	Reception Stay and Play
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Arts Council Visit to KES
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November at 5pm	Reception 2019 Open Session
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November at 5pm to 6pm	Friends of Allens Croft Evening Meeting
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Riverside Arts Company- E-Safety Performance/ Workshop
Wb Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Maths INSPIRE Workshops- see letter for date/time
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December at 2pm	Reception Stay and Play
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December at 11.30am	Reception Lunch with parents/carers
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am	Nativity to parents/carers
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Y2 perform at Pineapple Place
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December at 2.15pm	Nativity to parents/carers
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Y2 perform at Hazelwell Hub
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am	Y2 Christmas Assembly
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2pm- 4pm	Christmas Craft Fair
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Y2 Educational Visit to the Hippodrome
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December at 9.30am	KS2 Carol Service
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Children break up from school
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Children return to school

**Be Smart!  
Be Safe!**



**E-safety fact-**

Include numbers and special characters in your passwords to make them super safe- ! # @ /

**Rights Respecting School**

"Rights" are things every child should have or be able to do. All children have the same rights. These rights are listed in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

**Article 42** 

You have the right to know your rights!  
Adults should know about these rights and help you learn about them, too.  
Please see <https://www.unicef.org/rightsite/files/uncrcchildfriendlylanguage.pdf> to read your child's rights.

### EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS - TERM 1

Club	Day	Time	Collect from
Netball	Monday	3.30-4.30	Main Hall
French	Monday	3.30 - 4.30	Main Entrance
Hockey	Tuesday	3.30 - 4.30	Main Hall
Film	Tuesday	3.30 - 4.30	Main Entrance
Drama	Wednesday	3.30-4.30	Main Hall
Badminton	Thursday	3.30 - 4.30	Main Hall
Lego Club	Thursday	3.30- 4.30	Main Entrance
Multi Skills	Friday	3.30 - 4.30	Main Hall

**Attendance & Punctuality - Overall Attendance So Far This Year is 96%**

School starts at **8.50am**. At **9.00am**, we close the classroom doors and Piggy Lane gate. Any children who arrive after **9.05am** are late and have to be signed in at the school office. If your child's attendance is above 96% for the each term, they will be part of one of the attendance reward treats.

**Term Dates School Year 2018 - 2019**

**Autumn Term 2018**  
Term Starts: Monday 5th November to Friday 21st December

**Spring Term 2019**  
Term Starts: Monday 7th January to Friday 15th February

**Half Term: Monday 18 February 2018 to Friday 22nd February**  
Term Starts: Monday 25th February to Friday 12th April

**Summer Term 2019**  
Term Starts: Monday 29th April to Friday 24th May

**Half Term: Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May**  
Term Starts: Monday 3rd June to Monday 22nd July

\* 3 additional Teacher Training Day needs to be allocated

At Allens Croft we: **Aspire** for all to succeed; **Inspire** each other to succeed; **Achieve** success

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