



Allens Croft Primary School Newsletter

Friday 17th November 2017



We have had a busy couple of weeks so far this term. The children have been involved in World Science Day and the Numeracy INSPIRE Workshops, Anti-Bullying Awareness Week and World Kindness Day. As part of Anti-Bullying Awareness Week, Year 5 took part in the 'Careless Talk' Drama Workshop and Year 2 to Year 6 were involved in a Cyber Bullying Assembly and then attended workshops related to this. On Thursday, we had our Whole School Photography Exhibition, ready for our school calendar that we are going to be selling at the Winter Fair. Thank you for all your donations for Children In Need today, it was very spotacular around the school. Please have a chat with your child/ren about these events and check out the website for updates- www.allcroft.bham.sch.uk.

Numeracy INSPIRE Workshops

Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended and completed an evaluation form - lots of positive feedback given. Our next INSPIRE workshops will be based around Literacy and will take place in the Spring term. Reception's INSPIRE workshop will be a Numeracy focus.

Wintery Weather

As the weather gets 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.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Reception Intake 2018 ~ 60 Places Available

If you have a child who will be starting school in September 2018, you can either apply online or by completing a Local Authority Preference form. This needs to be completed by **15th January**. You can find more information online at www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Last Week of Scholastic Book Fair

The book fair will be in school **next week from Monday 20th November to Wednesday 22nd 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!

Christmas & Winter Craft Events

Reception & Year 1 Nativity parents/carers are invited to watch the Nativity performance on **Tuesday 19th December at 9.30am and Wednesday 20th December at 2.30pm**. Please only attend **one** performance. We ask that younger siblings attend our crèche for the duration of the performance.

The Year 2 Christmas Assembly to parents/carers will take place in the hall on **Thursday 21st December at 9.30am**.

Friends of Allens Croft Winter Craft Fair will take place on **Thursday 21st December between 2pm to 4pm**. You are invited to collect your child from their classroom door and go to the fair where there will be a range of stalls, including children's art work that they have completed at our Winter Craft Week. Once you have visited the fair, you can then take your child/ren home.

The Key Stage 2 Carol Service will take place at Calvary Chapel Elim Pentecostal Church on **Friday 22nd December at 9.30am**. Parents/carers are invited to attend. Look forward to seeing you there.

The End of Term Class Parties will take place on **Friday 22nd December**. The school will provide the sandwiches and drinks. Please can you send in a shop bought party food items on the morning of **Friday 22nd December** - either crisps, biscuits, fruit and savoury items are a good example. Please remember that we are a nut-aware school.

Children break up for half term on **Friday 22nd December**. School closes at **1pm** - please collect your child/ren at this time. Jelly Beans After School club **will not** take place on this day.

Friends of Allens Croft Meeting and Facebook Page

Friends of Allens Croft will be meeting every Friday at 2pm until the Winter Craft Fair. Everyone welcome! Remember to 'like' the Friends of Allens Croft Facebook page to keep up to date. Friends of Allens Croft are busy organising our annual Winter Craft Fair. We would really appreciate donations of chocolate, sweets, bottles, cakes, pamper items, toys and books for the hampers. Please can all donations be unopened and in date.

Non-School Uniform Days:

Friday 1st December ~ Bottles

Friday 8th December ~ Gifts (Toys, Books, Pamper Items, etc.)

Friday 15th December ~ Shop Bought Cakes/ Chocolates/Sweets (No nuts please)

Your donation can be given to your child's class teacher.

Hippodrome Education Network Pre-School Workshops

Mondays 10-12: Music Shakers ~ Tuesdays 10-12: Science session Thursdays 10-12: Drama ~

Fridays 10-12: Support for mothers with Postnatal depression. Sessions cost £2 for the parent and are free for the children and take place every week at Hippodrome Foyer, Birmingham. There is no need to book.

The Future of the Newsletter


Please ensure you have provided the school with your most up to date email address. If you would like a paper copy after this date, you will be able to collect one from the office. The newsletter will also be available on www.allcroft.bham.sch.uk.

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 are late need to be signed in at the school office and we request that parents/carers provide the office with the reason why so that we can monitor lateness, in addition to attendance. It is really important your children get to school on time.

Dates for the Diary- Next Few Weeks

Thursday 16 th to Wednesday 22 nd November	Scholastic Book Fair from 3.30pm in front entrance
WB Monday 20 th November	Road Safety Week
Wednesday 22 nd November	RSPB 'Wildlife' Workshop with Year 1 children
Friday 24 th November at 11.30am	Year 1 Lunch with parents/ carers
Tuesday 28 th November	Year 3's Educational Visit to Cadbury World
Tuesday 28 th November at 2pm	Reception Stay and Play
Wednesday 29 th November	Year 1 Educational Visit to Hazelwell Church
Thursday 30 th November at 9.15am	Year 3 Topic Assembly
Thursday 30 th November	Terrapins Educational Visit to Winter Wonderland, Telford
Monday 4 th December	Year 6 Height and Weight Checks
Wednesday 6 th December	Reception Educational Visit
Wednesday 6 th December	Year 5 and Turtles Educational Visit to Tamworth Castle
Friday 8 th December	Human Rights Day
Wednesday 13 th December	Flu Nasal Vaccine for Reception to Year 4
WB Monday 18 th December	Winter Craft Week
Tuesday 19 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 19 th December at 9.30am	Reception and Year 1 Nativity to parents/carers
Wednesday 20 th December at 2.30pm	Reception and Year 1 Nativity to parents/carers
Thursday 21 st December at 9.30am	Year 2 Christmas Show to parents/carers
Thursday 21 st December at 2pm to 4pm	Winter Craft Fair
Friday 22 nd December at 9.30am	Key Stage 2 Carol Service at Calvary Chapel Elim Pentecostal Church
Friday 22 nd December	School closes at 1pm to all children- No Afternoon Jelly Beans

★ Allens Croft Stars ★			E-SAFETY FACT	INFORMATION BOARD			
Week Ending 10 th November		Week Ending 17 th November		Extra Curricular			
Terrapins	Reiss	Hiba	<p>Pop ups If something pops up that you don't like, tell and don't click. Follow this through to be a safe and sensible user of the web.</p> 	Allens Croft Primary School – Extra Curricular Clubs – Term 1			
Turtles	Kiranbir	Faye		Club	Day	Time	Collect from
RA	Laya	Raees		Mathletics	Monday	3:30 – 4:30	Main Entrance
RB	Kiranpreet	Aaliyah		Construction	Monday	3:30 – 4:30	Reception Classroom
IF	Maisy	Shanarah		Football	Monday	3:30 – 4:30	Hall
IW	Casey	Saphire		Cross Stitch	Tuesday	3:30 – 4:30	Main Entrance
2G	Paige	Gustaw		Multi Skills	Tuesday	3:30 – 4:30	Hall
2C	Kyra	Hana		Football	Wednesday	3:30 – 4:30	Hall
3B	Zaara	Jack		Papercraft	Thursday	3:30 – 4:30	Main Entrance
3C	Kelsea-Rae	Adil		Basketball	Thursday	3:30 – 4:30	Hall
4W	Malakai	Sian		<p>★ Head Teacher's Award ★ Shaniya (4W) has received a Head Teacher's Award for fantastic independent work in her Performing Arts session. Well done!</p>			
4OP	Zaara	Aimon					
5B	Saheed	Bartoz					
5I	Mark	Daniel					
6H	Jasmine	Padasht					

Attendance - The Best Classes!

Week ending Friday 10 th November	Week ending Friday 17 th November
Terrapins - 100 %	Y3C - 100 %

Remember - the class with the best attendance at the end of the year wins a free trip!

Term Dates- Please visit website for calendar updates

School Year 2017 - 2018

Autumn Term 2017

Term Starts: Tuesday 31st October 2017- Friday 22 December 2017- School closes at 1pm

Spring Term 2018

Term Starts: Monday 8 January 2018- Friday 16th February 2018

Half Term: Monday 19 February 2018 to Friday 23 February 2018 - School Closed

Term Starts: Monday 26th February 2018-Thursday 29th March 2018

Summer Term 2018

Term Starts: Monday 16th April 2018- Friday 25th May 2018

Half Term: Monday 28th May 2018 to Friday 1st June 2018 - School Closed

Term Starts: Monday 4th June 2018 -Friday 20th July 2018

Teacher Training Days:

Monday 23rd July 2018 and Tuesday 24th July 2018 - - School Closed To Children

* 1 Teacher Training Day still needs to be allocated

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

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