



Allens Croft Primary School Newsletter

Monday 5th March 2018



Welcome Back!

The children have settled back into school really well and have already had a busy start to this term. It has been a very cold and snowy first week back and moving forward, we hope to see signs of Spring heading our way. Thank you for your continued support.

Due to school being closed last Friday, **World Book & Maths Day will now take place on Friday 9th March.** We look forward to seeing the children dressed up as their favourite book characters. Also, the children can bring their favourite book to school to share with their friends.

Thank you to the parents/carers who attended their child's consultation meeting last week. We had a large number of parents/carers who did not make an appointment with their child's class teacher. If you wish to meet with your child's teacher, then please arrange a meeting with them.

Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Allens Croft

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school next week from **Wednesday 7th March to Tuesday 13th March** and will be open from **3.25pm**. Come along and see what great books we have for sale. The school earns free books for every book bought. The children can take part in a competition and the winners will choose a new book. You should have received your leaflet about some fantastic deals at the Book Fair.

Reception 'Stay and Play' Sessions

Parents/Carers are invited to join their children in class on the following dates:

Wednesday 7th March at 2.00pm

Wednesday 21st March at 2.00pm

Please also remember that parent/carers of Reception children are invited to a weekly 'Come and Read' session with their child every **Friday from 8.50am to 9.00am**

Election Days- Closed to Children

Please be aware that the school will be closed to the children on **Thursday 3rd May** for elections.

Friends of Allens Croft

Lots of children attended the disco last half term and it was a great success. The children really enjoyed it. Thank you to the Friends of Allens Croft group and the Allens Croft staff for organising and supporting this successful event. Easter is on its way and this year we are having a 'Decorate an Egg' competition for all of the children to take part in. You can use a real egg or a plastic/polystyrene one, it's up to you. The eggs will be judged on **Thursday 29th March** and prizes will be given to the two most creative ones from each year group. So get designing! There are some examples below to help you.

Also, we will be having an Easter raffle. Tickets will be on sale from Monday 26th April. The Friends of Allens Croft group will be outside the front of the school entrance and Piggy Lane every morning and afternoon. 50p per raffle ticket. Good Luck!

If you would like to get involved with the Friends of Allens Croft group, then please attend the meeting that takes place every Friday at 2pm. Refreshments are provided and toys will be available for pre-school children. Please 'like' and 'share' the Friends of Allens Croft page on Facebook to keep up to date with future events and notifications.

Keeping Your Children Safe - Social Media

It has been brought to our attention that some of our children have Facebook, Instagram, WhatsApp and other social media accounts or online games, even though the **permitted minimum age to use these sites is 13 years old**. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you about appropriate use of social media/apps for children and ask that if your child has any type of social media account, please monitor their usage and content very carefully. If you would like more information on how to keep your child safe on the internet, please visit <http://www.safetynetkids.org.uk/personal-safety/staying-safe-online/>.



Out of School Achievements

If your child has an out of school achievement which you would like to share please email it to enquiry@allcroft.bham.sch.uk or leave a note with the office and we will put it in the next newsletter.




Attendance & Punctuality - Overall Attendance So Far This Year is **94.6 %**

School starts at **8.50am**. At **9.00am**, we close the classroom doors and Piggy Lane gate. Any children who are late have to be signed in at the school office. The Senior Leadership Team will be speaking to parents/carers of children who arrive to school **after 9.00am** to find ways to improve the situation.

Please make sure you bring your child/ren to school by **9.00am** at the latest.

Dates for the Diary- Next Few Weeks

Monday 5- March	Year 4 Educational Visit to Think Tank
Wednesday 7- to Tuesday 13- March	Scholastic Book Fair in Front Entrance from 3.25pm
Thursday 8- March	Reception Educational Visit to Hippodrome
Friday 9- March at 11.30am	Year 3 Lunch with Parents/Carers
Sunday 11- March	Mother's Day
Wednesday 14- March	National Sing Up Day
Saturday 17- March	St Patrick's Day
Wb Monday 19- March	Whole School Discovery Week
Tuesday 20/Wednesday 21- March	Whole School Science Planetarium Experience
Thursday 22- March at 4.00pm	Cleftomaniacs Performance to parents/carers
Thursday 29- March at 9.30am	Y4 Easter Assembly to parents/carers
Thursday 29- March	Decorate an Easter Egg Competition and Easter Raffle
Thursday 29- March	School closes for half-term
Monday 16- April at 8.50pm	Children return to school

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Attendance - The Best Classes!

Week ending Friday 16- February	Week ending Friday 2- March
Y2C - 99.3 %	Y5I & Y6H - 98.8%

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

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

***Thursday 3rd May - Local Election Day- School Closed to children**

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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