



# Allens Croft Primary School Newsletter

## Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019



### Welcome Back!

The children have settled back into school really well and have already had a busy start to this term. We had our World Book & Maths Day yesterday and it was great to see all the different book characters around the school. Thank you to the parents/carers who attended their child's consultation meeting this week. We had a 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.

### Red Nose Day - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

For a donation, we are inviting children and staff to come to school wearing red clothes. It could be a red top, red trousers, or even red socks! Children are allowed to wear red noses and Red Nose Day merchandise if they wish to. Please send donations in with your child on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March**.

### Scholastic Book Fair is here until Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school from **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> 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 from the fair.

### Reception 'Stay and Play' Sessions

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

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm**

Please also remember that parent/carers of Reception and Year 1 children are invited to a weekly 'Come and Read' session with their child every **Friday from 8.50am to 9.00am**.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION REQUIRED - Data Collection Update for Pupils

Any Parents/Carers who did not check their child's data collection form at the Parent Consultations meetings this week, please do so at the front office. Parents/carers will be able to check and amend the form if necessary. It is important that we have the most up to date information on record.

### 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/>.

### Drop Off and Collection Procedures

We have reviewed our Drop Off and Collection procedures and from next week, children under the age of 16 are not allowed to drop off or collect their siblings. If you have any queries regarding this, please request to speak to a member of the senior leadership team.

### Friends of Allens Croft Events and News

Friends of Allens Croft School Disco - The disco will take place on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April**.

Reception and Key Stage 1 Disco: 2.15pm to 3.15pm

Key Stage 2 Disco: 3.30pm to 4.30pm

**You should have received the letter about this today.**

**Friends of Allens Croft meet every Friday at 2pm- please come along if you can.**

Alongside this newsletter, you will have received a Friends of Allens Croft questionnaire. Please complete and hand it to your child's class team. The group are also looking for each class to have a representative on behalf of Friends of Allens Croft. There is no expectation that you have to attend the meetings, however, your role would be to act as a class link and share any ideas or positive suggestions that parents/carers may have.

If you are interested, please email [friendsallenscroft@gmail.com](mailto:friendsallenscroft@gmail.com).

Easter is on its way and this year and we are having a 'Decorate an Egg' competition for 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 **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April** and prizes will be given to the two most creative ones from each year group. So get designing!

### Rainbows Group at St Bedes church

They have spaces for girls, aged between 5-7 at 2nd Highbury Rainbows at St Bedes Church, Doversley rd on a Monday night 4.30-5.45pm. For more information, please contact- Diane 0779710188 or Tina 07759860045

### Attendance & Punctuality - Overall Attendance So Far This Year is 95.9%

**School begins at 8.50am.** Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time to prevent disruption to your child's own learning and that of others. It is also very important that children establish good routines and habits in preparation for the rest of their lives. Punctuality is a life skill that they need to develop whilst they are young. Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

### Dates for the diary

Week beginning Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March to Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March from 3.25pm	Scholastic Book Fair Sale Reception Entrance
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Royal Ballet Workshops
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Allens Croft Dynamics Factor
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March at 2pm	Reception Stay and Play
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March (after-school)	Y5&Y6 Handball Competition
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March at 11.30am	Year 3 Parents/Carers Lunch
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day Donation- children to dress up in something red
Week beginning Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Shakespeare Week
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Global Recycling Day
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception Visit to Pizza Express
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	World Poetry and World Syndrome Day
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March (after-school)	Y5 and Y6 Tag Rugby Competition
Week beginning Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	English Inspire Workshops
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Epilepsy Awareness Day
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Dance Workshop
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Able Writers Day
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March at 11.30	Year 5 Lunch with parents/carers
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April at 2.45pm	Reception Topic Assembly to parents/carers
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Reception Visit to Pizza Express


**Be Smart!  
Be Safe!**



**E-safety fact:  
Always tell an adult if you are worried**

**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 12**



You have the right to give your opinion, and for adults to listen and take it seriously.  
<https://www.unicef.org/rightsite/files/uncrcchilldfriendlylanguage.pdf> to read your child's rights.

<b>EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS - TERM 2</b>			
Club	Day	Time	Collect from
MULTI-SKILLS	MONDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN HALL
FILM	MONDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN ENTRANCE
BASKETBALL	TUESDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN HALL
BEAT BANG BOOM	TUESDAY	3:30 - 4:30	TURTLES CLASSROOM
BOOK CLUB	TUESDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN ENTRANCE
DRAMA	WEDNESDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN HALL
KS1 DANCE	THURSDAY	3:30 - 4:30	SMALL HALL
KS2 DANCE	THURSDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN HALL
LEGO CLUB	THURSDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN ENTRANCE
GYMNASTICS	FRIDAY	3:30 - 4:30	MAIN HALL

### Term Dates School Year 2018 - 2019

#### Spring Term 2019

**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

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May - School Closed - May Bank Holiday

**Half Term: Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May**

Term Starts: Monday 3rd June to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June- Teacher Training Day- School Closed to children

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Teacher Training Day- School Closed to children

\* 1 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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