

Croft Newsletter – 30th January 2026

To all parents and carers at Croft C of E Primary,

I have thoroughly enjoyed my first month as Headteacher at this wonderful school- it is hard to believe we have reached the end of January already.

The highlights of the last two weeks have been the parent visitors in Ruby class, the amazing VR workshop in Year 5 and our visit from the fabulous 'Open the Book' team this week. Please make sure that you follow our Facebook site for updates on what is going on in school.

The children continue to be amazing in their lessons, including Shakespeare writing, fractions and perimeter, poetry and role play. Most of all, I am especially proud of how kind they all are in the way they demonstrate 'Offering Friendship' around school.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend,

Mr Green



“Let your light shine” Matthew 5:16



Class updates – Let Your Light Shine *Matthew 5:12*

Ruby

We had another incredible visitor in this week to teach us all about how we can help the animals and environment around us. We learnt to look for clues (like who's poo?) and what the tracks/homes look like to identify which animal may be around. We also 'set traps' to try and find some snakes!



YEAR 1/2



Our classroom has been on an exciting journey exploring the magical world of materials and meeting our feathered friend Plop - the adorable owl who's learning to overcome his fear of darkness. We've been diving deep into the properties different materials, thinking carefully about why the material is perfect for its use. In art, we've been creating stunning monoprints and discovering the incredible artwork of Xgaoc'o X'are. We are excited for next week!

YEAR 3/4

Taking on Tessellation!

In Art, the children explored how shapes can fit together to create colourful, continuous patterns.





YEAR 5



Awe and Wonder! The VR workshop organised by Leicestershire Police was amazing – we explored how to use our mobile phones safely as well as travel through the mountains.

YEAR 6

 Maths & Victorian Storytelling Excitement! Year 6 conquered decimals and percentages this week, while diving into a literary journey through Victorian London. Students explored Sherlock Holmes' world and learned vital money management skills. Art class is creating awesome zines - creativity in full swing! 

Attendance

ATTENDANCE WEEK ENDING 30/01/26

THIS WEEK		YEAR TO DATE
Amethyst	96%	96.7%
Topaz	97%	95.3%
Emerald	91%	96.9%
Diamond	94%	95.4%
Ruby	98%	97.5%

Ruby Class are continuing to set a shining example to us all – we are very proud of you!! With only two weeks left until half term, we understand tiredness is starting to creep in and there are lots of nasty germs to navigate but let's try for a strong finish to this half term!!!

We know sometimes it can be tricky to determine if your child is well enough for school or if they are allowed to attend with certain illnesses and ailments. The link below provides an excellent guide as to whether your child should or should not be in school.

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)

If your child is unable to attend school, please notify the school office by 9.30am and please provide proof of any medical appointments, in advance, where possible.

Diary Dates



January Tues 20 th	Year 5/6 Dodgeball – Brockington College
February Mon 9 th all week	Mental Health Week
February Tues 10 th	Safer Internet Day
February Fri 13 th	Treat Friday
February Fri 13 th	Last day of half term
February Mon 23 rd	Return after half term
March Fri 27 th	Break up for Easter

Staffing Notice

As you may be aware, Mr Bedford finished his assignment at with us on Thursday after his resignation from KITS Academy. We would like to thank him for his hard work and dedication and wish him well for the future. KITS have arranged for Mr Gibbs to join us and he will be taking over our PE lessons and will be supporting at our After School clubs. Welcome to the Croft Team!!!

Times Tables Success!

This week, Year 4 sat a mid-year times table check and they were amazing!

Their attitude showed determination and resilience; they all were able to outperform their Autumn scores magnificently.

At the end of the year, Year 4 will sit a statutory Multiplication Times Table Check, where they answer 25 random times table questions rapidly.

This year, Year 4 have been amazing – they nearly all complete their homework minutes every single week, they all complete any additional practice we send home and they show a huge amount of commitment to their learning.

TTRS homework for all children Year 2 -6 is 20 minutes practice.

2 children
already
scoring
25/25



11 children out
of 14 already
scoring above
20 out of 25

Croft School Uniform


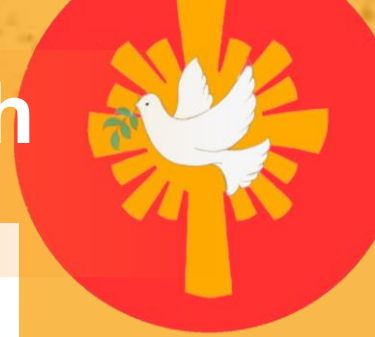


Just a few reminders regarding our school uniform policy – children are expected to wear a red jumper, cardigan or fleece, white shirts or polo shirts, black or grey trousers or skirts. Black shoes / all black trainers (no sports logos please). Leggings are not permitted and skirts should be worn just above the knee. Children are not allowed to wear make up, adhesive nails or nail polish. No jewellery is allowed (apart from stud earrings) and long hair ideally needs to be tied back. Tape can be brought into school to cover earrings for PE, but your child must be able to apply this themselves before their lesson. If you do have any queries regarding our uniform policy, further information can be found on our website.

We thank you for your support.



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Donut Friday

FRIDAY
FEB 13 2026
£1.00

If you would like your child to have a break time donut, please ensure they bring £1.00 with them on the above date.

Payment - parent / guardian consent



Place2Be's
CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK
9-15 FEB 2026

Be Comfortable at Croft

Thursday 12th February

To celebrate
Children's Mental Health Week 2026,
we would like children to come to school as they feel most comfortable.

This could be wearing your usual school uniform, your favourite cosy clothes, something that reflects your personality (like a colourful jumper!) or simply what makes you feel relaxed and comfortable.

We want to celebrate YOU being a unique individual!

St Michael and All Angels

Looking Forward



February

SERVICES & EVENTS

Everyone is welcome at any service or event

SUNDAY 1ST	10:00 - United Candelmas Service - Holy Communion at St Mary's Church (Broughton Astley)
TUESDAY 3RD	09:30 - 11:30 Coffee Morning
SUNDAY 8TH	11:15 - Holy Communion
TUESDAY 10TH	09:30 - 11:30 Coffee Morning
SUNDAY 15TH	11:15 - Holy Communion
TUESDAY 17TH	09:30 - 11:30 Coffee Morning
WEDNESDAY 18TH	09:30 - Ash Wednesday - Holy Communion at St Mary's Church (Broughton Astley)
SUNDAY 22ND	11:15 - Holy Communion
TUESDAY 24TH	09:30 - 11:30 Coffee Morning



St Michael & All Angels Church

Croft

Tuesdays	Coffee Morning 9:30 - 11:30
APR ^{THUR} 02	Easter Crafts and Cake
APR ^{FRI} 17	Quiz Night
MAY ^{SAT} 09	School Assembly  Bangers! (At Croft School)
JUN ^{SAT} 13	Croft Cake Competition followed by tea and cake (At Croft School)
JUL ^{THUR} 30	Crafts and Cake
AUG ^{THUR} 20	Crafts and Cake
SEP ^{SAT} 19	Quiz Night
OCT ^{SAT} 10	Table Top Sale
NOV ^{FRI & SAT} 13/14	Let Your Lights Shine 