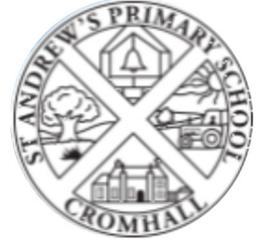


Infant Class Term 3 Newsletter



Welcome back to term 3. Thank you for all your kind cards and gifts you sent for Christmas, they were very much appreciated. We hope you had an exciting and restful Christmas and that everyone got what they wished for. This term is set to be another busy one with a trip in week 5 to the Synagogue arranged by Mrs Spiers to fit in with our RE topic for the term 'Who is Jewish and what do they believe?' More information will be sent home soon.

Topic- This is me



This term our topic is titled 'This is me'. This focus of this topic is focussed around our science learning about the human body and keeping healthy. We will be sequencing significant events in our own lives as well as talking about those in the lives of our parents. In Art we will be learning how to draw our own portraits by looking carefully at the different features on our faces and looking for the shapes we can see. As well as concentrating on our own lives we will be looking at that of a child who lives in a contrasting community to our own and how their opportunities are the same and different to our own.

Book Bags



It is vital that your child's book bag continues to come to school with your child every day. This ensures your child's reading book is in school every day so we can read with them as much as possible and change their books as needed. This is also a useful tool in ensuring letters make it home safely.

We have been sending home library books as children want to change them but unfortunately a few of our school books seem to have gone missing at home. Children aren't allowed to choose a new book unless they bring back their old one so please have a good look for any missing books at home. If books are genuinely lost please come and see us and let us know.

WOW DAY

Tuesday 22nd January 2019

We are going to have a 'This is me' day where children are asked to come to school wearing something that tells us something about them. This might be dressing up as a favourite character, wearing your favourite sports team kits, the clothes you love wearing most, or dressing up as what you want to be when you grow up. The only rule is that it should be suitable for wearing all day. The children need to tell us why they have chosen those clothes.

Please don't buy anything special, just use what you already have.

Wellies and Coats

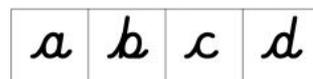
Please remember to return wellies to school as soon as possible. We will continue to change shoes into wellies at playtimes as we did last term for going on the field. Please put wellies on the welly racks outside the classroom. Children without welly boots will not be allowed on the field at break time.

Now that the weather is much colder and more unpredictable it is vital that children have suitable coats in school at all times, as well as hats and gloves as needed.



Cursive Script

Just a reminder that we are teaching children to write using the cursive script, hopefully you have been practicing over the holidays. The rationale behind the decision to do this from reception is that it is proven that the younger they start the earlier they effectively join their writing, which is a requirement by the end of year 2.



Spellings and Phonics

EYFS key words practice

Reception children have been given a key words book which contains key words that children need to learn by sight as well as some words to practice sounding out.

Reception children continue to learn their Jolly Phonics and have new sounds added to their books each week. Please continue to share these at home.



WOW Slips



We have had many Wow slips returned this term, it is so wonderful to hear about the things children are achieving at home too. They love sharing these with their classmates and sticking their Wow on our Wow wall. Please continue to send more in. I will attach some more to this letter for you. Don't hesitate to ask if you require more.

School Dinners

Just a reminder that school dinners remain free until the end of year 2. Mrs Martin makes some wonderful and delicious meals for the children. Please look at the new menu with your children to see which days they might like to have dinners.



Water Bottles



A reminder - please ensure that water bottles are in school every day and that they are named. These will be stored in the classroom and sent home at the end of each day. Please **only** fill with water, **NO** squash, juice or fizzy drinks. If children come to school with squash in their bottles it will be replaced with water.

VIP

Every Friday Mrs Sharp will be choosing a new child to be the following weeks VIP. If your child is chosen please send them into school with their show and tell on Monday as they will have the opportunity to share their favourite things from home, favourite stories, special items to tell us about them on Monday afternoons in a special show and tell session just for them!

The VIP will get to sit on a special chair during carpet time for the week as well as complete other jobs such as feeding the school fish in the pond.

