The Crescent Academy

News

Enriching the lives of our children

December 2019

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See reverse for a list of upcoming events!

HEAD TEACHER'S WELCOME

This is the final newsletter of 2019 and the days are passing by very quickly – I can't believe I am nearing the end of my first term at Crescent! The tickets for the Christmas productions are still available from your child's Class Teacher and I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the upcoming performances. Our last day this term will be on Friday December 20th 2019 and we return ready to start the Spring Term on Tuesday January 7th 2020. Our festive music is playing throughout the building, the trees have been delivered and children are most definitely getting into the festive spirit!

When we return in January we will be hitting the ground running: children will be enjoying an Enrichment Week for the first week based on 'Music Icons' – covering everything from the Beatles to the Spice Girls! Then, we will be immersed in all things Disney until February half term. More information about these exciting experiences will be shared in January's Newsletter.

—Adam Clewes

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FUNDRAISING FOR EMILEAH

Our family fun day last month was very well attended. Although the pitch wasn't at its best, the charity football match was a great event with some very muddy-looking Dads making their way home after the event! In total we raised over £500 – this money will all go to the Oncology ward in Emileah's name. Thank you to all who were able to attend and support this most worthwhile cause!







MEET CHARLIE!

We have welcomed a new addition to our Crescent family! Charlie is our very own Labrador puppy and he is very popular with staff and children alike! Charlie will be a huge part of our nurture team to provide some opportunities for the children to take care of him and watch him grow. He'll also bring out the best reading potential amongst our children as they'll be able to share a story with him. You'll see more of Charlie as he gets a bit bigger so feel free to come and say hello!





CHRISTMAS FAYRE REMINDER!

I hope you are able to join us after school this Friday – there will be lots of fun to be had with games and crafts, a chance to meet Santa and to get into the festive spirit. The Christmas Fayre is always a highlight in the school calendar and I really appreciate your support with The Crescent's PTA events.

THE Sun BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS

WE'RE COLLECTING!

If you are a reader of 'The Sun' newspaper, please keep your eyes peeled for tokens to collect which could see some free books for children here. To find out more, you can Google; 'The Sun Books for Schools'.



DIARY DATES!

- **DECEMBER 6**
  Non-Uniform Day (Donations of Cakes)
- **DECEMBER 6**
  Christmas Fair starting at 3.30pm
- **DECEMBER 9**
  Year 4 Christmas Stories & Songs at 9.30am and 2.15pm
- **DECEMBER 10**
  Year 6 Christmas Production at 9.30am and 2.15pm
- **DECEMBER 11**
  Year 1 'Lights! Camel! Action!' performance at 2.15pm
- **DECEMBER 12**
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- **DECEMBER 12**
  Year 2 Candlelight Carols at 2.15pm
- **DECEMBER 13**
  Year 2 Candlelight Carols at 9.30am
- **DECEMBER 13**
  Nursery 'Christmas Time Together' at 2pm
- **DECEMBER 16**
  Nursery 'Christmas Time Together' at 9.15am
- **DECEMBER 16**
  Reception 'A Wriggly Nativity' performance at 2.15pm
- **DECEMBER 17**
  Reception 'A Wriggly Nativity' performance at 9.30am
- **DECEMBER 17**
  Year 3 Christmas Production at 2.15pm
- **DECEMBER 18**
  Year 3 Christmas Production at 9.30am
- **DECEMBER 18**
  School Christmas Lunch
- **DECEMBER 19**
  Year 5 Christmas Performances at 2.30pm and 4.00pm
- **DECEMBER 19**
  Autumn term Awards
- **DECEMBER 20**
  School closes for Christmas holidays

IN OTHER NEWS...

THE GREAT CRESCENT BAKE OFF RETURNS!

Calling all Star Bakers!

Send in your homemade cakes by 9.15am this Friday! Every entry gets a certificate, trophies for winners and lots of fun for all! Your bake off entry can be your non-uniform donation too as it is non-uniform day on this date!

All entries will be sold at the Christmas Fayre. Make sure any tins/ boxes are labelled so we can get them back to you!

Children are asked to create:

- **NURSERY/RECEPTION: CHRISTMAS BISCUIT**
- **YEAR 1 AND 2: CHRISTMAS CUPCAKE**
- **YEARS 3 TO 6: CHRISTMAS DECORATED CAKES**





CRÈCHE BOOKING FACILITY

Please remember if you haven't already done so, you need to have your place booked for younger children at the school office. Please do this as soon as possible as we won't be able to book places on the day due to staffing.

ACCESS TO SCHOOL



Our new path leading onto The Wood has proven to be a great success. This path is intended as a walking route into school so wherever possible please try to leave cars at home. If you do drive, please switch your engines off so that we are all doing our bit for the environment. I'm really pleased the path is proving a convenient option for you at the start and end of the day.

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

As you know, more and more children are using mobile phones. If you want to make sure your child's device is safe, there's a free service from the NSPCC and O2. Parents can call the helpline on 0808 8005002 and they will talk them through e-safety on children's phones and how to make the phones safe. They can also arrange appointments so that you can go into O2 and they will look at making the phones more secure. It's all totally free and it does not matter if you not on the O2 network.

STAFFING NEWS

After the Christmas holiday, Miss Moruzzi is leaving us to go and pursue her ambition of working in specialist provision. She will be a teacher at Portland School in Trent Vale. Year 5M will become Year 5O with Mrs C Oakes at the start of the week and Mrs L Oakes at the end of the week. This means that Mrs Parksinson will be teaching in Y4OW at the end of the week along with Mrs Williams.

In other news, Mrs Watt is due to leave us soon in the new year to have a baby boy. Mrs Lane from the Nursery will be covering the beginning of the week, with Mrs Coleman transferring to the Nursery. Mrs Banner who already works in Reception will become the teacher at the start of the week in the Robins class.

I always try to make staffing movements that will keep disruption to a minimum and so that children always have a friendly face!

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