The Crescent Academy

News

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HEAD TEACHER'S WELCOME

The first month of 2020 has flown by! It is hard to believe that we are approaching half term already. The children settled straight back into school – both children and staff loved kicking the year off with our Music Icons Week. You may have seen some of the work children have done on our social media accounts; we've got more to post as #ThrowbackThursdays so keep your eyes peeled for this.

Moving on from Music Icons, all year groups have then enjoyed exploring Disney links in their learning. Miss Jackson and I have made it to all classrooms to see some incredible learning in action; from Newspaper Reports based on Wall-E in Year 5, to African animal reports based on The Lion King in Year 3, to making links between Finding Nemo and The Rainbow Fish in Reception, the children have had a fantastic time!

As always, this newsletter contains lots of information about things coming up, not just this term in school, but looking further ahead also! From Easter Bonnets, to Parents' Evenings, to uniform arrangements from September 2020 – I've put in as much information as possible – so please take time to read through.

2020 has certainly got off to a flying start – thank you for all the support you have shown already as we all work together to make school an exciting place to be!

—Adam Clewes

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NEW UNIFORM FROM SEPTEMBER 2020!






I am a huge believer in 'dress smart, think smart, work smart!' So, from September we will have a brand new uniform for children to wear with pride. The new uniform celebrates our Crescent colours of red and yellow and in even better news – lots of the uniform will be FREE! As uniform costs continue to rise, I have arranged for the most expensive items to be provided for each child so that everyone is able to feel the benefit of our new, smart look!

There are some photographs here of children modelling our new uniform – look how smart they look! As you see, every child will be able to choose between a school cardigan or jumper, every child from Nursery to Year 6 will be provided with a tie, children in Nursery to Year 2 will be given a book bag, in Years 3 to 6 a rucksack.

It doesn't stop there either, as all children will also be given a PE Kit, containing: a Hoody, a pair of shorts and a T-Shirt and a kit bag. This will ensure everyone really enjoys their PE lessons and representing the school when out and about at competitions.

I have set up our new uniform on display in the Main Entrance, so please pop in and have a look at it. I'm sure you will agree it is great quality and will make sure our children stand out in the City as incredibly smart learners!

THE UNIFORM THAT LOOKS AFTER THE ENVIRONMENT

We are the first primary school in Stoke-on-Trent that Trutex are supplying their range of eco-friendly ties to! Our newly designed ties are made from recycled plastic bottles. The children here at Crescent are really committed to doing their bit for the environment. We took the School Council from Year 4 and 5 to Blackburn last month so they could see their new school ties being created. They have since shared these ties with their classes as part of their weekly meetings and the feedback has been excellent. Here is a picture of the children on the visit to see manufacturing in action!



UNIFORM ITEMS THAT ARE FREE:

- ☑ ***One jumper or cardigan***
- ☑ ***One tie***
- ☑ ***One book bag/rucksack***
- ☑ ***PE Hoody***
- ☑ ***PE T-Shirt***
- ☑ ***PE Shorts***
- ☑ ***PE Kit Bag***

WHAT YOU NEED TO GET:

- ☑ ***Grey trousers/skirts***
- ☑ ***White shirts (not polo shirts)***
- ☑ ***School shoes (not trainers)***
- ☑ ***PE Pumps***

DIARY DATES!

Here are just a few calendar-highlights over the spring term for you to keep in mind:

- **PARENTS' EVENINGS**
  Wednesday 18th & Thursday 19th March – 3.30pm to 6pm both nights. Letters will be sent home to book your appointments in Early March!
- **HALF TERM WEEK**
  Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February
- **EASTER HOLIDAYS**
  Monday 6th April – Friday 17th April

IN OTHER NEWS...

BABY NEWS!







You may have noticed that over the last couple of weeks I have been in and out of school. Balancing work, a new baby and my daughter, Livvy, has meant finding a whole new set of skills! Lots of you have sent your best wishes, so I wanted to share this photograph of Lenny with you. He was born on January 27th, weighing 7lb,1oz. He's doing really well and Livvy is settling into life as a big sister!

DISNEYLAND 2020

The £25 February payment is now due. Please remember if you do not keep up to date with payments, your child's place will not be guaranteed – there is a waiting list for these vists.





WELCOME JULYANN!

I have spoken to lots of you about filling the Parent Support Worker role in school and I am really pleased to let you know that Miss Julyann Copestake has now joined our team at Crescent and will be based in and around the Wellbeing Centre. Julyann has lots of experience and I am certain you'll make her feel really welcome – she is going to be working 5 days a week, so please feel free to drop in to say 'Hi', or make an appointment to see her if you need one.

GOOD VIBES ONLY!

Here at The Crescent, we are a really large school – 700 children means 1,400 parents/carers, 2,800 grandparents and so on...

Even with such large numbers, the staff will always aim to offer you a happy welcome and look after you and your children.

In return, we ask that all parents/carers and children are all courteous and respectful to each other, to staff and children. Everyone has the right to feel safe and secure at school, whether this is your place of work or you are on the school run. Please keep this in mind when on the school site!

WORLD BOOK DAY 2020!

This year's World Book day is Tuesday, March 5th and the theme is to 'Read a Million Books'. As every child here is 'one in a million' we are inviting children to dress up as Superheros and Princesses for the day. There'll be lots going on in school to celebrate all things magical about books!



GET CREATIVE!

Easter is going to be here sooner than you think! Easter is always a good time to get creative with some Easter bonnets and egg-cellent creations. This year our Easter celebrations will be taking place on **Wednesday April 1st 2020.**

- **Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and 2)** will be on parade at 9.15am
- **Early Years (Nursery and Reception)** at 10.15am
- **Lower Key Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4)** at 2.30pm
- **Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 and 6)** at 3pm

I hope you enjoy creating a bonnet (Nursery, Reception, Years 1 and 2) or creating a decorated egg (Years 3 to 6) and that you are able to join us on the day to see everyone's Easter creations!



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