

CROSSHALL INFANT SCHOOL NEWS



20th March 2026

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Congratulations to the following child who received a Headteacher's Award this week.

Year 1
Gauri



EASTER EGG COLOURING COMPETITION

The annual Easter Egg Colouring Competition is nearing the end and we have already had some fantastic entries. The windows look amazing with all the different designs.

There will be 1 winner per class. Mrs Sawford will judge the competition next week and will announce the winners in assembly on Friday 27th March. The winner will receive an Easter egg that has been donated to the school from the Governors.

If your child does wish to enter then please submit their masterpiece by **Monday 23rd March.**



SCHOOL UNIFORM

We have received our final delivery of school uniform from our previous supplier and these items are now available to purchase via the MCAS store. We were able to secure a small discount, which is reflected in the prices of the items now on sale and stock is limited. If you would like to purchase any of these items, please process your order via the MCAS store and orders will be sent home via the classroom.

We are still in the process of finalising a new supplier and details will be shared with parents/carers in due course.

Thank you for your continued patience with this matter.

Dates for the diary

Monday 23rd March

Easter egg competition entries due in so they can be displayed.

Open Day- Thursday 26th March

We are looking forward to opening the school and showing you all the different areas. There will be

Friday 27th March

Last Day of term.

Monday 13th April

Start of summer term. Children back to school on this day.

CROSSHALL OPEN DAY



We look forward to welcoming you to our **Open Day** on
Thursday 26th March

The session times are 9.15-10.15, 10.30-11.30 and 2-3.

We will have refreshments, mini games in the hall, Crosshall Bookshop and a uniform stall. There will be a raffle too!

We also welcome our parent volunteers to help run the event but you must be **DBS cleared** through school.

All proceeds from our Open Day will be used to support the extension of the school curriculum for all children.

As a cashless school you are able to pre-purchase money vouchers which can then be used at the different stalls. Please see the MCAS app for different options. The vouchers will be issued on the day. You will be able to purchase vouchers on the day via MCAS and our contactless card machine. Guest wifi will be available.

Thank you for supporting this amazing event.

PHOTOGRAPHS/VIDEOS

I would like to remind you that taking photographs /videos when on site is not prohibited. This includes when the children are at the classroom door, entering or exiting their classroom. Please note that no photos should be taken during the Open Day.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

RED NOSE DAY 2026

Thank you for supporting our RND 26 fundraising event. The children looked amazing in their party clothes. Together we raised the fantastic sum of approximately £170 . There is still time to make a donation by visiting our [Just Giving page](#) or using the MCAS app.



Crosshall Nursery

We hope you all had a lovely Mother's day and enjoyed your gifts that the children made for you.

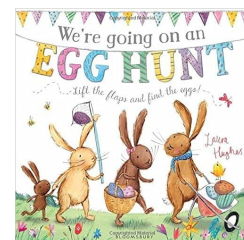
Thank you for helping us to fundraise for Comic Relief. The children looked amazing with their crazy hair. This week we have had a wonderful time with our topic of Bears.

We enjoyed a lovely sunny morning in the magic garden acting out the story of 'We are going on a Bear hunt.' In maths we have been size ordering using teddy bears and pouring and measuring in the sand and water.



Next week the topic is Easter and we will be looking at how we celebrate Easter and the meaning of Easter. The story we will focus on is 'We're going on an Egg Hunt' and we will do a picture egg hunt in the magic garden. The children will also be making Easter nests during the week so all children will get to bring one home.

The letter of the week will be b.



Please can we have all your child's entries for the Easter egg competition by Thursday of next week. The children will be attending a special Easter assembly where the winners will be announced.

Important dates

Thursday 26th March—Open Day

We look forward to seeing you on open day if you can make it. Please send your slips in to the school office stating your preferred time slot.

Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff if you have any questions or concerns.

If you would like to share your child's WOW moments from home, please email us:

nursery@crosshallinfant.co.uk

Please remember this email address is only for WOW moments.

All other email communications should go to info@crosshallinfant.co.uk

RECEPTION

This term the children will be learning about People in their Community. The children will learn about people such as the police, firefighters, teachers, doctors, vets, postal workers and bin men. We will also be sharing a series of traditional tales with the children over the Spring Term.



PE days

Bumblebees on Monday

Ladybirds on Thursday

Dragonflies on
Wednesday.

All of Reception on
Friday



We are very excited to welcome you all as we open our doors for Open day on **Thursday 26th March.**

Phonics

Next week in phonics we will be assessing the children on the sounds they have learnt this half term.

We will be revisiting the taught sounds that the children have found more challenging to retain.

The children will bring their book home to share over the weekend however these will be collected in next week. Please ensure that all books are returned.

Maths

This week, the children will use practical contexts to sort objects according to different criteria. They will be encouraged to notice different attributes in groups of objects - such as colour, size or function - and to describe what they notice.



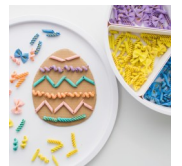
Writing

Next week the children will have the opportunity to show case their independent writing skills. The children will write instructions for how to brush your teeth.

The children will also be learning why the Easter story is important to Christians and learn to sequence the story.



During continuous provision the children will explore and access a range of learning opportunities linked to teeth brushing and Easter.



Unfortunately when the police were previously due to come into school, duty called and they were unable to visit, however we have been able to rearrange the visit and are very excited to welcome them in on Wednesday afternoon.

Homework

YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2

Year 1 children will have a big spelling challenge on the 45 Common Exception Words next week. Please take some time to look at these with your child. They can be found on the next page and in your child's reading diary.

Year 2 children have new spellings to practise this week which are as follows:

washes, wants, working, watering, squashes, squatting, swaps, matches, who, whole

Maths homework has been sent home today. Children should complete their work in pencil and return it to their class teacher. Please add a comment at the bottom to let us know how your child got on with the task.

Year 1 PE Days

The children will need to come to school wearing their PE kits on their PE days.

Barn Owls- Tuesday

Red Kites- Monday

Robins- Thursday

All Year 1 children - Wednesday.

Year 2 PE Days

All Year 2 children - Tuesday

Otters - Wednesday

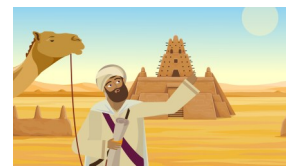
Hedgehogs - Friday

Foxes - Friday

This half term's big question has a history focus.

'What made Ibn Battuta an explorer?'

The children will learn about what makes an explorer and the challenges that he and other explorers have faced.

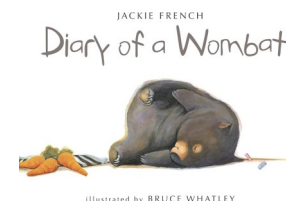


Next week...

English

Year 1 The children will be sharing and discussing the story *Diary of a Wombat* and using it to write a recount of the different things that she got up to across her week.

Year 2 The children will be using what they learnt this week about diaries and the purpose of recording our own memories, to write a recount of events that have happened in school this half term, including our exciting puppet workshop!



Phonics

Year 1 children will be revising the sounds that they have covered this half term. They will be paying particular attention to practising their blending skills when they are reading in order to develop the skill of decoding words in their heads and reading them automatically.

Year 2 children will continue to learn that 'w' and 'qu' can change the sound that /a/ makes to /o/ and /or/. We will look at examples, such as squash, water and warm and learn the different spelling patterns. We will be remembering the rules that we have to follow to add the suffixes 'ing' and 'es' to the root words. E.g. washes, squashing.

You could look for these words when you are reading with your child.

Maths

In **Year 1**, the children will be learning about money. They will be familiarising themselves with coins and their values, then using them to practise making different amounts.

In **Year 2**, the children will move on to learning about 2d shapes. We will look at the properties of shapes and learn how to recognise and name polygons and quadrilaterals. The children will also investigate how to identify lines of symmetry



The children are looking forward to welcoming their families into school on Open Day, next Thursday. Please remember to return your slip, indicating the session you plan to attend, either 9.00-10.00, 10.30-11.30 and 2.00-3.00pm.

During the course of the day, the children will be learning about the significance of Easter in the Christian calendar. They will complete a variety of Easter activities in their classes, including making Easter baskets and Easter nests.

Year 1 Common Exception Words

the
a
do
to
today
of
said
says
are
were
was

is
his
has
I
you
your
they
be
he
me
she
we

no
go
so
by
my
here
there
where
love
come
some

one
once
ask
friend
school
put
push
pull
full
house
our

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS 1-3

Next Week we are on Menu Week 2

During the lunch period staff are available to promote table manners, support with cutting up food and they are there to encourage children to try new foods or to eat a little more.

Crosshall Infant School- Autumn Term Menus

<p>Monday - Week 1</p> <p>Fish Fingers Chicken curry Vegetarian fingers ~Pasta Boiled rice Homemade bread ~ Garden Peas Fresh sliced carrots Fresh salad ~ Chocolate chip cookie Fresh fruit</p>	<p>Tuesday</p> <p>Sausage rolls Macaroni cheese ~ Diced potatoes Homemade bread ~ Steamed broccoli Sweetcorn Fresh salad ~ Chocolate brownie cake Fresh fruit</p>	<p>Wednesday</p> <p>Homemade cheese and tomato pizza Jacket potatoes-cheese or ham topping ~ Homemade bread ~ Baked beans Sweetcorn Fresh salad ~ Crispy cake Fresh fruit</p>	<p>Thursday</p> <p>Tomato pasta bake Pasta with cheese/ham ~ Homemade bread ~ Baked beans Steamed cauliflower Fresh salad ~ Shortbread Fresh fruit</p>	<p>Friday</p> <p>Roast chicken Filled wraps-cheese, tuna, ham ~ Roast potatoes Fresh salad ~ Steamed broccoli Fresh sliced carrots Fresh salad ~ Biscuit Jelly</p>
<p>Monday -Week 2</p> <p>Fish Fingers Chicken curry Vegetarian fingers ~Pasta Boiled rice Homemade bread ~ Garden peas Steamed cauliflower Fresh salad ~ Chocolate chip cookies Fresh fruit</p>	<p>Tuesday</p> <p>Homemade cheese and tomato pizza Cheese whirls ~ Homemade bread ~ Baked beans Steamed carrots Fresh salad ~ Chocolate brownie cake Fresh fruit</p>	<p>Wednesday</p> <p>Fishcakes Meatballs Vegetarian balls ~ Pasta Homemade bread ~ Steamed broccoli Sweetcorn Fresh salad ~ Crispy cake Fresh fruit</p>	<p>Thursday</p> <p>Pork Sausages Egg and cheese ~ Chips Homemade bread ~ Baked beans Sweetcorn Fresh salad ~ Shortbread Fresh fruit</p>	<p>Friday</p> <p>Roast chicken Filled wraps-cheese, tuna, ham ~ Roast potatoes Fresh salad ~ Steamed broccoli Fresh sliced carrots Fresh salad ~ Biscuit Jelly</p>

Daily fresh salad station
Spinach
Mixed peppers
Cucumber
Tomato
Grated carrot/sweetcorn (on some days)

Jacket potatoes will be available every day.

T.&STHOMAS
TRADESMEN
Family Butchers



All our food is made in our kitchen daily including our bread and all our desserts.

We are proud to be a nut free school. All individual diets/intolerances are catered for.

Crosshall Infant School- Autumn Term Menus

Monday - Week 3	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Fish Fingers Lasagne ~ Vegetarian fingers ~ Pasta Homemade bread ~ Garden peas Sliced carrots Fresh salad ~ Chocolate chip cookie Fresh fruit	Sausage roll Macaroni cheese ~ Potato wedges Homemade bread ~ Steamed broccoli Baked beans Fresh salad ~ Chocolate brownie cake Fresh fruit	Homemade cheese and tomato pizza Jacket potatoes-cheese or ham toppings ~ Homemade bread ~ Baked beans Sweetcorn Fresh salad ~ Crispy cake Fresh fruit	Fish Cakes Spaghetti Bolognese Vegetarian Spaghetti Bolognese ~ Homemade bread Chips ~ Garden peas Steamed cauliflower Fresh salad ~ Shortbread Fresh fruit	Roast chicken Filled wraps-cheese, tuna, ham ~ Roast potatoes Fresh salad ~ Steamed broccoli Fresh sliced carrots Fresh salad ~ Biscuit Jelly

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NO SCOOTERS ON SITE

We respectfully ask that all parents remind their children and reinforce when present that scooters are not to be ridden on any part of the school site.

SCOOTERS ARE NOT FOR THE SCHOOL SITE!

