CROSSHALL CLOSE UP

CROSSHALL JUNIOR SCHOOL

Meridian Trust

Weekly Update - 22nd October 2026

MESSAGE FROM OUR HEADTEACHER

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week, we held our first Parent Consultation Meetings of the school year. This communication between home and school is important and part of working together for the benefit of the pupils. If for any reason any parents/carers were unable to attend a meeting, please do make an appointment to meet your child's teacher after the half term break.

On Monday, we gathered for our first Celebration Assembly of the year. Awards were given for leadership and independence. These two skills are particularly beneficial when settling into a new class/ year group. Additionally, some 2025-26 Gold Future Me Awards were handed out to those who completed the programme right at the end of the previous school year.

This half term, the pupils have impressed with their handwriting, presentation and attention to detail. Across the school, and daily, pupils consistently look to present their work in the best way they can. There have been notable pieces of artwork created, interesting recounts written and tuneful musical performances. There is much joy, positivity and wonder to be found in a junior school.

After the half term break, all children have a day offsite as part of their history curriculum. This both enriches and extends the learning that has been taking place within the classroom. Thank you for your support in helping us provide these opportunities for the children to partake in.

Enjoy the break! See you all in November.

Mr Liam Murphy | Headteacher

WHAT'S ON?

AUTUMN TERM DATES 2026

Thursday 22nd October
PTA Halloween Disco

23rd October
School Closed: Staff Training Day

26th October
October Half Term Week

2nd November
School Closed: Staff Training Day

3rd November
Dads Who Read Library Event

3rd November
Life @ Crosshall: Future Me Programme

5th November
NBC - Young Carers Group

5th November
Open Classroom - See Children's Work

9th November
Y3 History Visit

13th November
BBC Children in Need Day

16th November
Anti Bullying Week

18th November
Y5/6 History Visit

19th November
Y4 History Visit

23rd November
Site Open Day - for Prospective Parents

Reminder: Ball Games

Please may we remind all members of the school community that ball games cannot be played on the school grounds before or after the school day. With the flow of families entering and leaving the site, we do not have the space for ball games to take place safely .

Reminder: Autumn & Winter Weather

It's getting darker, chillier and wetter. Please remember to send pupils to school with coats as required. During break and lunch times we shall endeavour to be outside as often as possible. Pupils having suitable clothing with them will aid this and make these breaks more comfortable for them.

Reminder: Year Six Parents

The deadline to apply for your child's secondary school place is fast approaching. Please submit your application online through the local authority portal as soon as possible. The deadline is 31st October. Letters previously sent regards this can be found on the Year Six Letters Page of our website.

Term Dates

Term Dates 2026-2027 & future dates

amazon

Our Amazon Wishlist: CLICK HERE TO VIEW

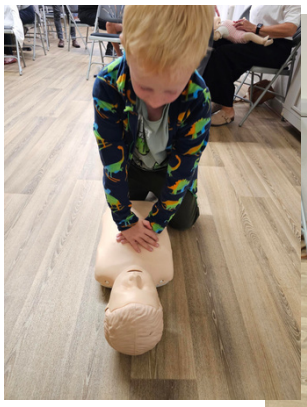
WISHLIST

WHOLE SCHOOL LETTERS CLICK HERE | **YEAR THREE** | **YEAR FOUR** | **YEAR FIVE** | **YEAR SIX**

BROMCOM Parent Portal MCAS App: All parents/carers must register for MCAS App.
See original letter with details on how to setup, activate account and pay for school meals.

Pupil Achievements

Joshua recently attended a First Aid Training event which included learning about CPR and the use of defibrillators on adults and children. Well done Joshua!







Amelie was awarded the Peppercorns Golden Eagle award. This award is annual and recognises Amelie's commitment, hard work and dedication to Peppercorns Academy of Performing Arts.



Mia P in 5AA was named Player of the Match while playing for Witchford. Mia proudly brought her trophy in to show us after her team secured an amazing 11–0 win. Well done, Mia!

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Visit Local Community News on our website HERE

BBC Children in Need 2026

We will join in with Children in Need's annual fundraising day again this year. On Friday 13th November, we will be inviting pupils to 'wear spots to raise lots' in exchange for a donation towards Children in Need.

The Big Future Survey

The Children's Commissioner is asking children about the changes they want to see in their communities, their biggest concerns, and their hopes for the future. **Take Part Here**

ONLINE SAFETY SUPPORT

Talking to your child about online safety

Children and young people today often see their online and offline lives as one and the same.

As technology evolves quickly, it can be hard to keep up – but regular, open conversations make a big difference.

Click here for advice from the NSPCC.

LEARNING & WELLBEING SUPPORT

Autumn adventures: half-term pack for families

Autumn brings its own magic – golden leaves, crisp walks and cosy afternoons – yet half term can turn even the simplest days into a juggling act.

Click here for a free pack of activities.



LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

COINS	Kosuke 3CH	IMPROVED	Eren 3LR
COINS	Harriet 6CB	IMPROVED	Keegan 4NW

PTA ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

easyfundraising

Sign up, shop online and a donation is passed straight to our PTA. Please follow this link to sign up.

Events:

TODAY	Halloween Discos
FRI 13 NOV	Quiz Night
MON 23 NOV	Christmas Market
THU 26 NOV	Wreath Making Workshop
TUE 15 DEC	Christmas Shop Years 3 & 4
WED 16 DEC	Christmas Shop Years 5 & 6

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