



WHAT'S ON? SUMMER TERM

SUMMER TERM DATES 2026

26 th April	Riverside Junior Parkrun & London Marathon
4 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
7 th May	Year Five Legoland Trip
8 th May	Future Me Assembly (Invite Only)
wc 11 th May	End of Key Stage Two Tests
15 th May	Celebration Assembly (Invite Only)
21 st May	School Photo Day
wc 25 th May	Half Term Holiday
wc 1 st June	Multiplication Tables Check window opens
12 th June	Future Me Assembly (Invite Only)
19 th June	Professional Day (School Closed)
10 th July	Summer Fayre

MESSAGE FROM OUR HEADTEACHERS

Dear Parent/Carer,

With the delightful weather we are having at the moment, we have been able to use the field far more and it has been great to see the children playing in the sun, running and making daisy chains.

This is an important part of the school day and our lunchtime play leaders work extremely hard to provide a range of structured and unstructured opportunities for children to take part in.

From volleyball to skipping, and chess to drawing, we try to ensure all children have something to help them relax and enjoy their lunch break.

Nonetheless, many children prefer to play their own games and enjoy running, role-play or tag games.

Lunchtime is also an excellent opportunity for children to develop their **kindness** and **resilience**.

Being able to cope when friends do not play or do what we want, or how to be polite and respectful with people we do not get on with are both skills that need to be developed as part of the journey to adulthood and are practised by the children in school.

Alongside the adults who supervise lunch, we have an amazing team of Wellbeing Ambassadors from Year Five. These pupils have been specially trained to help mediate where there are issues, offer support or even just be someone to have fun with if needed.

Between this team and the adults on the playground, our children are getting even more opportunities to develop themselves.

Mr Dan Ainscow & Mr Liam Murphy | Headteachers

The PTA needs you!

As we near the end of year, we will be saying a sad farewell to some of our long-standing members of the **PTA**. To make sure that it continues in September, we are in need of new volunteers. If you can support this vital group, please email on PTA@crosshalljunior.co.uk



National Year of Reading



Supporting our children with choosing books can be a challenge - especially if they are reluctant readers.

When we are helping pupils with selecting books from our library, we encourage them to go through the following process:

1. Look at the cover - does it look like it will interest them? Does it match their interests?
2. Is it an author they know and have enjoyed previously?
3. Read the blurb - are they tempted to read more based on what they have learned about the story?
4. Check it is the correct level of challenge by reading a random page early on in the book. They should only find 2 or 3 words on a page of a children's novel difficult to read for it to be the right level.

We encourage pupils to select from a wide range of books including magazines, comics and graphic novels.



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



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Pupil Achievements

Sam and Rory (Y5) took part in a rugby tournament. They won their group the first day to progress through to the second day and ended up joint winners! Both are very proud of their success and their bruises!



Recently, Harvey (Y4) took part in a football tour to the Netherlands with Cambridge United. He played quite a few games and is proud of his performances.

Junior Parkrun



Just a quick reminder that we are suggesting our children take part in Riverside Junior Parkrun this Sunday to support Miss Hemingway as she takes part in the London Marathon.

Some of the teachers are planning to be at Riverside, so come along and you might be able to boast that you were faster than them.

Miss Hemingway has picked up her race number and a special teacher running shirt so watch our for her finish on Sunday!



Shoe Change

Plain, dark shoes are a part of our school uniform. Please check your child has the correct shoes to change into on P.E. days.

Glue Stick

Please double check that your child/ren has a working glue stick in school. It is extremely helpful for them to have one.



LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS



COINS

Elga 4NT

IMPROVED

Elga 4NT

COINS

Harriet 5LG

IMPROVED

Harley 3ChE

USEFUL LINKS



[School Dinners Menus HERE](#)



[Term Dates 2025-2026 & future dates](#)



amazon

Our Amazon Wishlist has had a refresh! All the items on the list are part of the Reading Spine. All gifts are very much appreciated and add to what we are able to provide in our classrooms. [CLICK HERE TO VIEW](#)

Healthy Snacks at breaktime: Please provide your child with a healthy snack for morning break. We encourage a balanced diet in school. **ALL snacks MUST BE NUT FREE.**



LEARNING & WELLBEING SUPPORT



Earth Day

Does climate change make your children anxious? You're not alone.

BBC Children in Need have compiled some resources to help better understand the climate crisis and deal with eco-anxiety, as well as point you in the direction of some entertaining and informative TV shows that the whole family can enjoy.

[Understanding the climate crisis and eco-anxiety - BBC Children in Need](#)

ONLINE SAFETY SUPPORT



Roblox is an extremely popular game that can be found on a range of different devices.

However, some of the mini-games that can be played inside Roblox can be extremely inappropriate. To counter this, Roblox have recently added some new features to ensure children are playing games that are appropriate to their age.

BBC Bitesize have shared some information on the changes and what they mean for parents. This can be found [here](#).

More information from Roblox themselves can be found [here](#).

PTA ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

This Term's Activities:

- Father's Day Shop - 17th & 18th June
- Summer Fayre - 10th July
- End of Term Disco - TBC



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If you have some spare time or would like to join our committee team please do get in touch via the school office or our Facebook page to find out more details.