



Diary Dates:

Thursday 3rd November Individual Pupil Photos

Tuesday 22nd & Wednesday 23rd November Parents Evening Consultations

Tuesday 29th November Year 3 Trip to St Paul's Cathedral

Thursday 8th December School Panto Show

Friday 16th December 2022 Christmas Holiday Break

Tuesday 3rd January 2023 INSET Day

Wednesday 4th January 2023 Children return to school

Dear Parents and Carers,

This month's newsletter denotes a great end to a very busy half term! We had wonderful entertainment in celebration of Black History Month through dance, storytelling, music and acting. We re-launched our 'Drop Everything and Read' with our very special guest authors and we also were lucky enough to be entertained by Haringey's own 'Denje' drummers accompanied by a very special storyteller. All our visitors had something positively special to say about our pupils; not a surprise! To top it all, we rounded off with our very own Halloween party. Please read on and enjoy our news and some special captured moments.

We wish you all a fabulous November month!

Mrs Stav and Mr Winnard



Mrs Florence visited Our School!

It was wonderful to have history come to life through Mrs Florence's tales of the Windrush migration. She told the children how difficult it was to move from Jamaica to England, leaving family and friends behind. She spoke in Jamaican English /Patois explaining about the long, arduous journey to England and the hopes and dreams she had about arriving to a new country.

She also explained that many people moved from the Caribbean in the 60s, with the hope of a new life opportunity and adventure. Children enjoyed asking questions about her experience and hearing from a true 'real life person' from the Windrush Generation... Thanks to Mr Adebayo for giving us another great opportunity!

Modupe Obasola what beautiful music!

Modupe Obasola is a rising star whom we were very lucky to meet on the last week of our half term. As part of our Black History celebration she entertained us with songs by famous singers such as Tracy Chapman. She spoke to us about the influence of black music on the world stage and how important it is to celebrate its roots. She is influenced by the likes of Lauryn Hill and Whitney Houston and is an excellent vocalist and guitarist. All our children loved her singing and we even had one of our young talents perform on stage.



Year 3 brought Stone-Age to life!!



We love to learn through 'Active Learning' as it is one of our key drivers for learning. Our pupils learn best and remember more when they are immersed in the experience! Our Year 3 staff worked hard at re-creating Stone Age by dressing-up and re-enacting life back then. Ms Demitri could not resist the temptation!



Denje Drumming and Stories from Africa

Crowland children really enjoyed the performance by Alim Kamara, the famous poet, musician and storyteller with his 'Anansi' stories accompanied by the beat of the Denje Drum. The Denje Drum has its roots in West Africa where the beat of the drum would combine with dance and storytelling. These are among the ancient art forms that have flourished for many centuries in Africa and now are enjoyed around the world. Some say the name of the 'Denje' came from Mali where it originated some 400-800 years during the Malian Empire. The stories of Anansi are famous in African folklore and have travelled to the Caribbean together with its people. We want to say a huge 'thank you' to Haringey Music Service (@haringey_music) led by Dan and thanks to Mr Adebayo for organising. Our children were truly captivated by the performance and mesmerised by the powerful beats of the Denje drum!

Fabulous authors inspired our love for Reading and Writing



We were so, so lucky to have our special guest authors visiting us. Sav Akyuz and Karen McCombie shared some of their wonderful stories and inspired us with their imagination and adventure!

Thank you Mrs Demitri and Ms Jililou for arranging and thank you to all the parents who supported the purchase of these great books. We know that some of our Crowlanders are already great storywriters and that one day they will also be circulating their own books as special authors!

OUR HALLOWEEN EXTRAVAGANZA!

Huge 'thanks' to all the parents who supported the school, the Early Years Team led by Ms Bateman, Ms St Hill, Mr Thomas , Coach Wayne, Ray Manmohan, Moscamp DJ and Leah Turner who made this brill event possible!! See if you can spot the faces.

