

The Richard Crosse C of E Primary School

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Dear All,

Well it has definitely been a different start to the school year for us all, but the children are settled in and school life has picked up where it left off, with a few changes that have now become a normal part of our school life.

I would like to start by thanking everyone for their flexibility and understanding regarding the changes we have had to make, without the combined effort of staff, children and parents this difficult time would have been even more challenging.

I am very proud of all the staff and children and how we have embraced these changes, learning new things and actually making some of our previous routines and/or activities even better by embracing technology. Not only do we have daily Acts of Worship across the school where the children love waving to each other in the morning and seeing all of the classrooms, the children are also accessing a wide and enriching curriculum and most importantly we are doing all of this safely under the constraints of Covid-19.

Parents Evening and Harvest Festival were a huge success, it was so nice to have so many of you join us for Harvest, we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did and your generous contributions towards the collection were really appreciated by Lichfield Food Bank! We now feel confident enough to open up our Monday morning online Celebration Worship to all parents, starting next week.

Well done to everyone for a great start to the year and we look forward to next half term which will be equally as busy!

Kind regards,

Ms Bowring
Headteacher

We know you were unable to come into the classrooms for Parents Evening, so here is a snippet of what you would have seen....





Break-time Snacks

A lot of our children in KS2 are having a lull mid-morning and are complaining of feeling hungry. If you don't already, please think about providing your child with a healthy snack to keep them going until lunch.

Please do not send in any meat or nut based snack products.

Ideas can be found at:

<https://www.phunkyfoods.co.uk/parent/snack-attack-parent-information/>



Reinforcing Positive Language

At Richard Crosse we pride ourselves on our outstanding behaviour and our core values of **love**, **respect** and **friendship**. With this in mind, we are increasingly concerned with the amount of inappropriate language we are hearing at break and lunch times. Swearing and blasphemy is being heard across all age ranges, as a Church of England school, blasphemy should not be heard.

We would really appreciate your support through having conversations with your child around the use of positive, age appropriate language and language which should not be repeated in school.

Thank you

LOVE - RESPECT - FRIENDSHIP

A note from Year 6 about returning to school -

The start of this term has been a bit different since we haven't been interacting with other classes but Year 6 has been working hard and having a lot of fun! We have been doing multiple science experiments with solute and solvent solutions. Year 6 has also been learning long and short division which is quite tricky but we have learnt to understand it. In English, we have been studying *The Secret Garden* and writing our own versions. Art has also been very interesting because we have been researching different architects including Sir Christopher Wren and Francine Hauber. The start has been very exciting and we're all enjoying it so far.

Class Blogs

Don't forget that each Friday your child's class blog is updated on the website with a snippet of the exciting activities and learning which has taken place that week. Please visit your child's page and talk through what they have been doing, they love looking at the pictures the teachers have captured that week!



Attendance

Thank you for all of your support in making sure your children arrive on time and ready to learn in the morning, it really does make a massive difference to the day when the children come in settled and calm.



Care Club

If you require before or after school childcare we still have spaces in our Care Club provision. There are also spaces available for Friday afternoons. Please contact the office for more information.

E-Safety News

Online Safety Newsletter

As a school we recognise the ever changing world of technology around us. Therefore, to support us all, we have signed up to a monthly newsletter which will offer information and support on the latest trends and safety advice. These will be emailed to you and also saved under the E-Safety tab on the school website.

Upcoming Dates and Events

Please check our website for constantly updated information:

<https://www.richardcrosse.staffs.sch.uk/calendar>

Friday October 23rd PTA Event - Break the Rules Day

Friday 13th November - Children in Need

Thursday 10th December 2:00pm - Online Christingle Service

Thursday 17th December 9:30am - Online Christmas Service

Thursday 17th December - Christmas Dinner Day and Party Afternoon