

Term 2 Calendar of Events

Date & Time	Event	Year Group & Attendees	Information
03.11.25	Return to school	All Year Groups	School Hours: Monday to Thursday - 8.30am until 3.30pm Fridays - 8.30am until 1pm
04.11.25	Stone Age Day	Year 3	Year 3 are having a Stone Age Day. Full details were emailed 11.09.25 and can be found HERE
05.11.25	PTA Halloween/Fireworks Disco	All Year Groups	Bring your best spooky moves and come dressed to scare OR dress up in bright clothes and hair ready to "pop" like a firework during the day at the class discos (courtesy of Croft PTA).
05.11.25 – 26.11.25	Year 2 Swimming	Year 2	Swimming for Year 2 is on Wednesdays this term at The Ridgeway Leisure Centre. Full details were emailed 09.09.25 and can be found HERE .
11.11.25	Ridgeway Author Visit	Year 5	Year 5 will be spending the morning at Ridgeway school. Full details were emailed 16.09.25 and can be found HERE
12.11.25	Old Town Library Visit	Class 5JM	Children will be walking to and from the library. We are in need of parent volunteers to assist during this visit. If you are able to help, please complete this FORM to express your interest.
12.11.25 2:00pm – 7:30pm	Parents Evening via TEAMS	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	On TEAMS Only - Parents' Evening will be held online via Microsoft Teams. You can book your appointment through the Arbor App. The Teams links will be sent out closer to the date.
13.11.25 2:00pm – 7:30pm	Parents Evening via TEAMS	Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6	On TEAMS Only - Parents' Evening will be held online via Microsoft Teams. You can book your appointment through the Arbor App. The Teams links will be sent out closer to the date.
14.11.25	Bags2School	All Year Groups	Bag2school are collecting good quality items for RE-USE: Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories. Please use your own bags and leave donations in the 'yellow hatched' area outside of school. Full details of what can be donated can be found HERE
14.11.25	Children in Need	All Year Groups	Please send children to school in their Pyjamas or any Pudsey Attire/Non-Uniform. We are asking for donations to be made via the payment item on ParentPay. NO CASH can be accepted in school. Thank you for your support.
18.11.25	Flu Vaccinations	All Year Groups	Please see email sent 23.09.25 with details and links of how to give your consent.

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19.11.25 9.00am	Phonics Blended Workshop	Invite Only	Phonics TEAMS workshop with a focus on blending. Invites will be sent out nearer the time.
25.11.25 9.30am	Parent Tours	Parents of New 2026 Cohort	Tour by appointment only for those applying for a place in September 2026. Tours will commence at 9.30am. Please call the school office on 01793 430084 to book.
26.11.25 1.30pm – 2.30pm	Christ Church	Year 4	As part of our RE learning this term, centered around the key question, 'What is the most significant part of the Nativity story for Christians?', we will be visiting Christ Church in Old Town. Children will walk to and from the church. We are in need of parent volunteers to assist during this visit. If you are able to help, please complete this FORM to express your interest.
26.11.25	Old Town Library Visit	Class 5T	Children will be walking to and from the library. We are in need of parent volunteers to assist during this visit. If you are able to help, please complete this FORM to express your interest.
26.11.25 4.45pm (Rehearsals at 3.00pm)	Wyvern Voice Festival	Croft Choir	Communications were sent on the 07.10.25. The Croft is taking part in the first performance at 4.45pm and tickets are available to purchase via The Wyvern Box Office linked HERE .
28.11.25 8.30am and 1.00pm	PTA Christmas Jumper and Nativity Costume Sale	All Year Groups	The PTA will be selling Pre-Loved Christmas Jumpers and Nativity costumes outside the main reception before and after school.
02.12.25	Robin Hood Panto Trip	Reception	Reception will be visiting Newbury Theater to watch the show. Full details were emailed 09.09.25 and can be found HERE
02.12.25	Deadline to Book Christmas Lunch	All Year Groups	Please book your child's Christmas Lunch by midnight tonight. Menu's and allergen matrix can be found on our website HERE . Alternatively send your child to school with a 'Festive' packed lunch from home next week on these days.
02.12.25 Performance 1 5.00pm – 5.30pm Performance 2 6.00pm - 6.30pm	KS2 Christmas Carol Performance	Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6	There will be two performances so all parents can attend their child's performance. Children should wear Christmas jumpers with uniform bottoms (black trousers/skirts). Ticket details will be shared nearer the time. Parents are responsible for drop-off and collection at The Ridgeway School, except Chipmunks, who will be dropped off by staff.
04.12.25 1.45pm- 3.00pm	Ashford Lodge Care Home Choir Performance	Croft Choir	The Croft Choir will be travelling by Croft mini bus to Ashbury Lodge Care Home to take part in a performance for the residents.



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05.12.25 8.30am	PTA Santa Dash	All Year Groups	We would love Parents and Carers to join the whole school just after drop off in the morning for our very own Santa Dash. Last year was so much fun and the Crofties really LOVED it so we'd love to see you there! Run, walk or stroll - the idea is just to be there and have fun with all of our Crofties. The event will be a sponsored activity so we will be sending details about sponsorship nearer the time. Festive Refreshments/ beverages available to purchase on the morning too!
05.12.25 1.00pm- 3.00pm	PTA Family Festive Fun Day	All Year Groups	Come to the hall for more Festive fun – Christmas Crafts, The Croft Choir, Tombola, Raffle and other stalls. Santa will be there to announce the winners of the “design a bauble” competition and raffle winners too at 2.30pm. Let’s get in the festive spirit!!
10.12.25	Robin Hood Panto Trip	Year 1	Year 2 will be visiting Newbury Theater to watch the show. Full details were emailed 16.07.25 and can be found HERE
11.12.25	Christmas Lunch	All Year Groups	Children to wear Christmas Jumpers & / or Non-Uniform. There is no need to wear school uniform bottoms. No PE Kits. If you have not ordered a Christmas Lunch for your child, you will need to send in a 'festive packed lunch' from home of their/your choice.
11.12.25	Christmas Jumper Day	All Year Groups	Children to wear Christmas jumpers / Non uniform. There is no need to wear school uniform bottoms.
LAST WEEK OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS			There will be NO 1:1 Peripatetic Music Lessons this week. Afterschool clubs will run as normal except for Friday Clubs. Therefore, NO SmART, MF Dance or Multi Sports Clubs.
15.12.25 2.00pm	Reception Nativity	Reception	Main Hall Max 2 adults please. Please note that this performance will NOT be streamed via TEAMS nor will it be recorded. Cash donations will be welcomed on the door. Children can be taken home after the performance.
16.12.25 9.00am	KS1 Christmas Production	Year 1 Parents	Main Hall Max 2 adults please. Please note that this performance will NOT be streamed via TEAMS nor will it be recorded. Cash donations will be welcomed on the door.
17.12.25 9.00am	KS1 Christmas Production	Year 2 Parents	Main Hall Max 2 adults please. Please note that this performance will NOT be streamed via TEAMS nor will it be recorded. Cash donations will be welcomed on the door.



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17.12.25	Old Town Library Visit	Class 4B	Children will be walking to and from the library. We are in need of parent volunteers to assist during this visit. If you are able to help, please complete this FORM to express your interest.
18.12.25	Class Christmas Parties	All Year Groups	Party Clothes / Non-uniform to be worn. If you have not ordered a Christmas Party Lunch for your child, you will need to send in a 'festive packed lunch' from home of their/your choice. As per tradition, we would like to gift to 'Swindon Caring Hearts' Homeless Charity and would welcome donations of small individual juice boxes, individual chocolate bars, crisps and bags of mini individually wrapped sweets. Please hand in donations to your class / class teacher.
19.12.24	End of Term	All Year Groups	Normal 1.00pm Finish – No Afterschool Clubs will be running.

We wish you a Very Happy Christmas. We look forward to welcoming you back on **Tuesday 6th January 2026!**

SAVE THE DATE!

10.03.26	Bags2School	PTA	Bag2school are collecting good quality items for RE-USE: Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories. Please use your own bags and leave donations in the 'yellow hatched' area outside of school. Full details of what can be donated can be found HERE
11.06.26	Bags2School	PTA	Bag2school are collecting good quality items for RE-USE: Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories. Please use your own bags and leave donations in the 'yellow hatched' area outside of school. Full details of what can be donated can be found HERE
10.06.26 – 12.06.26	Year 4 PGL Residential	Year 4	Full details were emailed 22.03.24 and can be found HERE
15.06.26 – 19.06.26	Year 6 Ultimate Adventure Residential	Year 6	Full details were emailed 22.04.24 and can be found HERE
20.06.26	Croft Summer Fete	PTA	Further details to follow



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Other Important Information

We are continuing with our online 'Lets Celebrate' Assemblies, every Friday morning. Please click on the link below to join. Please be patient whilst we settle the children and as always, remember to turn off your cameras and microphones before joining the meeting.

Fridays 9am	Celebration Assembly	All Year Groups	Click Here to Join
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PE Days for Term 2

Reception	Wednesday
Year 1	Monday
Year 2	Wednesday
Year 3	Monday
Year 4	Tuesday
Year 5	Thursday
Year 6	Tuesday

School Office:

Please note that the School Office is open term time only.

Normal office hours are: 8.15am - 4.15pm Monday - Thursday and 8.15am – 1.30pm Fridays

Please may we ask that you check online first to answer any general enquiries before contacting the school. The website is updated on a regular basis and you will find information to most common asked questions.

Reporting Your Child's Absence:

You must inform the school office if your child will be absent from school before 8.30am and on a daily basis. Absences can be reported by either emailing admin@thecroft.swindon.sch.uk or calling 430084. When emailing, should you wish to copy in your child's class teacher please do so, however the school office records all absences and as a matter of safeguarding if you have not informed the office, you will be chased for attendance unnecessarily. Unfortunately, teachers do not always have time in the morning to pass on messages received by parents.



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Medical Appointments:

If your child has a medical appointment during the school day, please email the office in advance, so that we can mark their attendance accordingly and make a note that they will be either in later, leaving early or absent during part of the day.

Booking School Dinners:

Deadline to book school dinners is midnight Tuesday, a week in advance. If you forget to book lunch for your child, you will need to send them into school with a packed lunch for that week. Unfortunately, the office cannot process late lunch bookings. Menus and Allergen information can be found on our website.

Afterschool Clubs:

[Booking information for Afterschool Clubs are sent out at the end of each term for the following term. All our afterschool clubs are externally run clubs. You can also find the booking information on our website.](#)

Music Lessons:

[We have some external companies who come into the school and offer 1-2-1 music lessons for guitar, piano, trumpet, drums and violin. If you are interested in your child learning an instrument then all the contact details of the external companies we use can be found on the Croft website.](#)

Polite Reminders:

We have noticed that there has been an increase in the number of items brought in late for children. Please can we ask that your child comes to school with all their belongings, especially packed lunches, coats, books, bags and water bottles. We want to try and build independence for your child (and they may need your help in doing so) and it will really help them (and us) if **ALL** items from home are remembered in the mornings.

Please label **ALL** your children's belongings. In the event of them losing an item, it will enable a better chance of it being returned to you or your child.