

## Dates for the Diary

2<sup>nd</sup> February - Parents Evening  
6<sup>th</sup> February - Church Service - Zebras  
9<sup>th</sup> February - Space Camp Week  
Fri 13<sup>th</sup> February-INSET day for staff  
16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> February - half term  
23<sup>rd</sup> February - Back to School  
27<sup>th</sup> March - Easter in Church - Crocs  
27<sup>th</sup> March - Last day of term  
13<sup>th</sup> April - Back to school  
4<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday Monday  
22<sup>nd</sup> May - Church Service - Bears  
25<sup>th</sup> May-29<sup>th</sup> May - Half term  
26<sup>th</sup> June - Church service - Ladybirds  
17<sup>th</sup> July - Leavers Service in Church  
17<sup>th</sup> July - Last day of term  
20<sup>th</sup> July - INSET day for staff

## Happy New Year!

Welcome back to school, we hope you all had a lovely Christmas and new year. It has been a cold start to the new term, hopefully it will warm up a bit next week!



Welcome back to school to Miss Egan, who has been on maternity leave. The Leopards have done a brilliant job helping her to settle back in!



## Attendance

This week's attendance is **95.8%**  
Our attendance would have been 97% without lates. Please be at school on time - make it your new year's resolution!



## Take One Picture - Art Week

This week, we have loved having our Artist in Residence, Alan Fernihough, spending time in some of our classes, teaching the children the skill of drawing a person and looking closely at proportional perspective.

The children have enjoyed every moment.

Thank you so much to Alan for joining us.

'Take One Picture' is led by The National Gallery.



The children have been studying the painting,

*Cosimo Tura, 'A Muse (Calliope?)'* Google it and ask your child about the painting - see what they can remember!!!



# Newsletter 16

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## Worship

We came back to school on the Feast of Epiphany, 12 days after Christmas, celebrating the amazement of the Wise Men finding Jesus in Bethlehem.



**Year 4s** - you must apply for a Middle School place by **January 15<sup>th</sup> 2025**.

**Nursery** - you must apply for a Reception place by **January 15<sup>th</sup> 2025**. if your child is due to start in our Reception class in September.

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/education/Admissions-primary/Apply/Overview.aspx>



If it is your child's birthday this week, you are welcome to attend.

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January**

**KS1 & EYFS**

**Families of**

**Ladybirds/Bears/Zebras/Tigers**

Please only come to your key stage worship, and make sure your phone is on silent and not in use during the worship, thank you.

## Enrichment Clubs

We still have some spaces left on:

- Y3/4 Multi Sports with Mr Cox on Thursdays,
- Y2/3/4 Makaton Club on Tuesdays with Mrs Williams (this is very similar to Sing & Sign - and the club will perform at Church on 6<sup>th</sup> Feb!)

You can book on Parent Pay!

**Crocs & Tigers** will have their PE lesson next Monday as Mr Cox wasn't in school today (Friday)



## Croft on the Heath

Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Bears am	Zebras pm
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan		Tigers pm
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Butterflies am	
Thur 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Ladybirds pm	
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Penguins pm	

Please make sure your child has their wellies, a warm, waterproof coat, hat, gloves and scarf, and a pair of old tracksuit bottoms in a named bag on their Croft Day.



## FOOD FESTIVAL

# LUNCHTIME

WEEK 2  
Autumn Winter 2025/26  
08/09/25, 29/09/25, 20/10/25,  
10/11/25, 01/12/25, 22/12/25,  
12/01/26, 02/02/26, 23/02/26,  
16/03/26



The MAIN EVENT

MONDAY

Vegetable Lasagne

TUESDAY

Creamy Chicken & Sweetcorn Pasta

WEDNESDAY

Roast Gammon, Skin on Roasties and Gravy

CENSUS DAY  
THURSDAY

All Day Breakfast – bacon, sausage, scrambled egg, hash brown and beans

FRIDAY

Golden Fish Fingers and Chips

PRIMARY  
TRADITIONAL



MEAT-FREE MAGIC

Veggie Dish

Green Veg & Butter Bean Pie with Wedges

Veggie Whole Grain Pasta Bolognese

Cheddar & Broccoli Crustless Quiche



RAINBOW ALLEY

Vegetables and Salads

Sweetcorn

Broccoli

Carrots and Peas

Mixed Greens

Baked Beans



BIG TOPPING

Filled Jackets

Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo



DESSERT TROLLEY

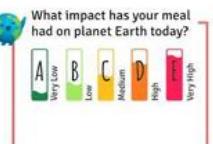
Chocolate Popcorn Bars

Orange and Peach Jelly

Apple Tea Cake and Custard

Iced Vanilla Sponge Cake

Carrot Cake



What impact has your meal had on planet Earth today?



AVAILABLE DAILY  
DAILY SALAD BOWL, FRESHLY BAKED BREAD, YOGHURTS AND CUT FRUIT



PASTA TWIRLER  
TOPPED PASTA  
HOT PASTA TOPPED WITH HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE & CHEESE

**Worms** We have had a couple of cases reported in school. You can spot threadworms in poo. They look like pieces of white thread.

You might also see them around your child's bottom. The worms usually come out at night while your child is in bed and can cause an itchy bottom and sleepless nights. Good hand hygiene is very important. Follow this link to find out about symptoms and treatment.....

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms/>



## Swimming

Crocodiles are having their first swimming lesson on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January**. Don't forget your swimming kit!!



## Family Learning (advanced notice!)

Come and see how your child learns Phonics and Spelling in KS1 and Spelling & Grammar (SpAG) in KS2. One family member is welcome to join their child in their English lesson. There will be a booking link on Parent Pay next week (but you don't have to pay!).

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan 9-9.45am - Y2 Tigers**

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Jan 9-9.45am - Y1 Zebras**

**Weds 21<sup>st</sup> Jan 9-9.45am - Y1 Bears**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 9-9.45am - Mrs Turner's group**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> Jan 9-9.45am - Mrs Hill's group**

**Weds 28<sup>th</sup> Jan 9-9.45am - Miss Egan's group**

KS2 children know which teacher they have for SPAG!!

## Reading is so important

Please listen to your child read every day, and sign their reading record, so they can earn extra dojo points and achieve their target reading certificates.

Reading can make a huge difference to a child's progress....

- It builds focus and concentration.
- It can boost your sleep.
- It improves vocabulary.
- It helps you learn new things.
- It is a lovely time to share stories with your family.
- It improves writing skills.
- It helps you learn new language skills.

**READING**  
takes you on the  
**GREATEST**  
ADVENTURES

## Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January

Census Day - this is the day where we try to beat our hot dinner record - to maximise the funding we get from the government! Let's see if we can beat our personal best of 140 meals!