

Dates for the Diary

Mon 19th October Parents Evening - Tigers and some Ladybirds
Fri 23rd Oct - INSET day for staff
26th-30th Oct - Half Term
2nd November - Back to school
Fri 18th December - Last day of Term
Christmas Holiday
Mon 4th Jan 2027 - INSET day
5th January - Back to School
15th-19th February - half term
Mon 22nd February - INSET day
Thurs 25th March - Last day of term
Fri 26th Mar-9th April - Easter hols
12th April - Back to school
3rd May - Bank Holiday Monday
31st May-4th June - Half term
21st July - Last day of term

After School Club

Next Wednesday!
 Book on Parent Pay!!



Croft on the Heath

Our first Croft Explorers Expedition begins and our 3rd Birthday Party will happen on Thursday!

(Penguins will have their party in their Wednesday session and Butterflies will have their party in class, making their leaf pictures!)



Mon 19 th Oct	Tigers/Zebra/Bears pm
Tues 20 th Oct	Crocs/Giraffes/Leopards
Wed 21 st Oct	Ladybirds/Penguins
Thur 22 nd Oct	Reception/KS1/KS2



Please make sure your child has their wellies, coat and a pair of old tracksuit bottoms in a named bag for their Croft Day. It will often be muddy and/or wet and the children will struggle to access outdoor learning



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Worship

In worship, we have continued our learning about the Fruit of the Spirit - we have been thinking about peace. **John 14:27:** "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."



Goodbye & Good Luck

We are saying farewell to Mrs Benning next week. She is having a change of career, and going back to being a solicitor, something she is very passionate about, and what she did before we were lucky enough to have her for 12 years! We will miss her hugely, and we wish her all the very best.

The Croft on the Heath

Our Croft is nearly 3 years old and continues to have such a positive impact on our children. Next week, all our children will be enjoying Forest School activities with their friends, on their dedicated Croft Day (see the rota!) and then we will be having a party on the Croft on Thursday to celebrate one of our most favourite places!



We would love our children to bring their "Birthday gift" donation in an envelope to "give" to The Croft when they go over for the Party! (If you have already brought it in, your child will still get to take it over!) We have a big "Birthday Present" for the children to post their gifts!!



School Photographs

Tempest Photography will be in school on

Monday 19th October

Individual photos and sibling photos will be taken during the morning.

If you wish to have a family photo with younger siblings - 8.30am in the Hall, please wait at the back door!

Smart uniform and a smile for everyone please!



FOOD FESTIVAL

WEEK 1
Spring/Summer 2026
13/04/26, 04/05/26, 25/05/26,
15/06/26, 06/07/26, 27/07/26,
17/08/26, 07/09/26, 28/09/26,
19/10/26



What impact has your meal had on planet Earth today?



LUNCHTIME

PRIMARY
WORLD

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Macaroni Cheese	Sticky Chicken Noodles	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Golden Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers and Chips	No school today
Cheese and Tomato Pizza Slice with Wedges	Hoisin Sticky Vegetable Noodles	Cauliflower & Broccoli Cheese Bake, Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Cheesy Bean Wrap with Chips	
Vegetable Sticks	Broccoli and Sweetcorn	Carrots and Peas	Baked Beans and Peas	Baked Beans and Peas
Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo
Orange Squash Cupcakes	Strawberry Jelly	Peach Upside Down Cake and Custard	Chocolate Cinnamon Cake	Banana Cookies

AVAILABLE DAILY

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

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

Head Lice



Please continue to check your child's hair, there have been some cases of head-lice reported, and they spread quickly amongst children playing together.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

every school day counts.

Attendance in School

This week's attendance is

97.3%

Without lates and holidays, our attendance would have been 98.2%
Glad lots of children are feeling better after last week's illnesses.

A few spaces left - book in with Mr Cox on the email below.....

Your child's Christmas Card designs

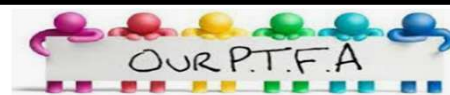
Christmas Card orders: deadline is: **Monday 19 October.**



Mon 19th October

Parents Evening (for Tigers and Ladybirds)

will start at 3.40pm on Monday in the Hall. Please come in through the office, and there will be a seating area while you wait for your turn.



PTFA AGM on

Wednesday 21st October 6.00-7.00pm
in the Ladybirds classroom

All parents/carers/grandparents of our children are welcome to join us and find out about what have planned, and how you can get involved! We will be voting in our Chair and Secretary, and members of the committee - you don't have to take on a role, just join us - the more the merrier!

HOLIDAY CAMP

TUESDAY 27th OCTOBER
HALF TERM

MULTI-SPORTS CLUB

FOOTBALL
 BASKETBALL
 NETBALL
 CRICKET
 RUGBY
 DODGEBALL

AGES 5-11 YEARS

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DROP OFF 8.30AM
PICK UP 4.00PM

PLAY • DEVELOP • HAVE FUN