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Newsletter 36

Friday 3rd July

Dear Parents/Carers

A note from Mr Reeves

What a fantastic Sports Day we enjoyed today! It was wonderful to see our children demonstrating determination, resilience, teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the day. The event was a huge success, and this is entirely down to the incredible efforts of our dedicated staff team and the outstanding organisation of Miss Godsell. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Miss Godsell for planning and coordinating such a positive and memorable event. Behind every successful Sports Day is an enormous amount of preparation, organisation and attention to detail, and Miss Godsell ensured that every aspect of the day ran smoothly.

Equally, I would like to recognise the commitment and enthusiasm shown by all members of staff. Throughout the day, staff worked tirelessly to support events, encourage pupils and ensure that every child had the opportunity to participate and enjoy themselves. Their willingness to work together and support one another is a real strength of our school, and it was wonderful to see this teamwork helping to create such a special experience for the children.

This year, we continued with our scoring system which rewards not only sporting achievement and performance, but also the values we want to see in all of our pupils. Alongside points for sporting prowess, children earned points for their encouragement of others, positive attitudes and excellent team spirit. We believe these qualities are every bit as important as winning races, and it was heartening to see so many children demonstrating kindness, perseverance and support for their teammates throughout the day. Well done to Red team for their win! It was also lovely to have our Preschool children joining us for the day. Their presence helped make the day feel like a true whole-school celebration.

Over the course of this week, I have also been spending time in classrooms across the school, observing teaching and learning to ensure that we continue to maintain the highest possible standards for our pupils. It has been a pleasure to see the quality of teaching taking place across the school and the engagement of our children in their learning. To ensure consistency for every child, all teachers use a teaching approach based upon Rosenshine's Principles of Instruction, which I introduced upon my arrival at the school. This framework supports high-quality teaching by promoting clear explanations, regular checking for understanding, guided practice and opportunities for pupils to successfully apply their learning. Most importantly, it ensures a consistent learning experience for children across all classes, helping every pupil to achieve their very best.

A huge thank you to Lana and the PTFA team for organising such a fantastic Colour Run last Saturday. It was a wonderful event, full of fun, laughter and plenty of colour! It was particularly lovely to see so many families coming together and enjoying the day. Events like this really highlight the special sense of community that makes Cropredy such a warm and welcoming family school.
Thank you to everyone who helped organise, volunteer, support and took part in the event. Your efforts helped make it a memorable day for all involved.

After 13 wonderful years at Cropredy Primary School, including 10 years as a class teacher, Mrs Foster will be leaving us at the end of the academic year to embark on a new chapter—one that will, at long last, include getting a dog! Mrs Foster would like us to pass on her heartfelt thanks to all the children and families she has had the pleasure of working with over the years. She says it has been both an honour and a privilege to teach and support so many wonderful children, and she will cherish the memories she has made at Cropredy Primary School.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. As we approach the end of another successful academic year, I am incredibly proud of all that our children and staff have achieved together.

This week's attendance is 93.77%

Church Service

Out Of School Achievements

It has been lovely to see the variety and range of awards brought into school to be shared.

Arlo completed his 50th Junior Park Run last weekend. Well done!

Layla-Mae took exams in tap and modern and has achieved fantastic results. Primary Tap 88 Distinction and Grade 1 Modern 94 Distinction. Well-done Layla-Mae.

William W from year 4 competed in three different sports over the weekend. At the Canoe Club in Cropredy he raced as part of a team with Dad to win a two-man K2 race against 3 other teams. Then on Sunday he played for Cropredy Under 11s Softball Cricket Team, taking two wickets as they beat Combe. He finished the weekend playing for Easington Sports Under 9s in the Middleton Cheney Annual Football Tournament. Well done!

To have future achievements shared in the school newsletter, please send the details to the School Office. Any certificates, medals or trophies to be presented in Celebration assemblies on a Friday, please also drop these into the school office.

Next Week In School

Don't forget to order your child's Hot Dinners through ParentPay if you haven't already done so.

Monday	• Clubs: Nature in Art
Tuesday	• Year 1 trip to Bournemouth Clubs: Yoga, Football
Wednesday	• Clubs:
Thursday	• School Disco Clubs: Choir
Friday	• 2.30pm Year 3 Showcase • Ice Lolly Friday – after school

PE & Forest School Days

Cygnets	PE – Wednesday Forest School – Tuesday
Year 1	PE Session 1 & 2 Tuesday
Year 2	PE Session 1 – Monday PE Session 2 – Tuesday Forest School - Wednesday
Year 3	PE Session 1 - Tuesday PE Session 2 – Wednesday
Year 4	PE Session 1 – Thursday PE Session 2 – Friday Forest School - Friday
Year 5	PE Session 1 - Monday PE Session 2 - Thursday
Year 6	Kayak – Tuesday (alternate) Forest School – Thursday PE Session - Friday

Chenderit Sports Events

Well done to Alfred K, Aneirin E, Toby K, Jaxon R, Toby H, Lucas H, William G and William W who took part in the KS2 cricket finals at Chenderit School yesterday. They all played very well and came 3rd overall in the competition. Well done!

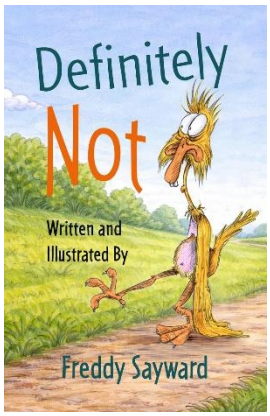
Here are some of the fantastic sporting opportunities that we have coming up. All of the events are held at Chenderit School in Middleton Cheney. Thank you to Tamsyn and the Chenderit Sports Leaders for supporting our school with continuing to develop our PE opportunities.

Where possible we will have a member of staff at the event, however parents are responsible for arranging transport to Chenderit.

Next Event:
Tuesday 7th July KS2 Orienteering, 4-5pm, teams of 3/4 children, mixed, competitive.

For your child to attend, please sign up via this form: https://forms.office.com/e/Ej9QwYRLA1 or email the school office by the Monday before the event.

Past Pupil Success



Freddy Sayward is currently in year 10 at Kineton High School but is a past student of Cropredy.
He was 14 when he wrote and illustrated this book, it has been published with KDP and is for sale on Amazon.

It's a children's book about a duckling that gets separated from his family when he gets dropped and he doesn't know what animal he is. He has a little adventure meeting different animals along the way seeing if he fits in with them. The pictures are amusing and it's a heartwarming story.

The book can be purchased directly from Freddy for £7 or on amazon for £7.99.
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A cuddly toy of the duck is also available for £15. If you would like to buy the cuddly duck and the book the price will be £20.

Upcoming Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 7th July – Year 1 trip to Bournemouth
Friday 10th July – 2.30pm Year 3 Showcase – rearranged date
Thursday 9th July – School Disco
Tuesday 14th July – Year 3 trip to the Ashmolean Museum
Friday 17th July – End of term, church service 9.30am, early finish 1.15pm
Tuesday 2nd September – Back to School

Our Week Of Learning

This week Year 1, Year 3 and Year 5 are sharing their learning.

Year 1

We have had rather an active 2 weeks in Year One. Last week children enjoyed lots of outdoor learning under the trees. The children experimented with finding materials and making shapes that would float and sink. The children also learnt how to tell the time to O'clock and half past. It was so lovely to enjoy some stories in the shade of the trees.

Children have completed their MFL days this week. They enjoyed learning all about Valencia in Spain and they made flags, learnt about traditions and food, made a fan so that they could dance the flamenco and even played Spanish number bingo. The children are now experts on Valencia!

In maths we have begun to learn about money and the value of coins and notes. The children have also enjoyed thinking about what the seaside was like long ago and what it is like today- considering the reasons for the differences. We are looking forward to finding out more about the seaside when we go on our exciting trip to Bournemouth next week!

Year 3

We have had such a busy and brilliant few weeks in Year 3! This week, we have been completing our end-of-year assessments. I have been so impressed with the effort, care and determination everyone has shown. The focus and resilience across the class was outstanding. In MFL, we have been learning how to say different animals in Spanish. We explored how the determiner 'a' changes depending on the noun - using un or una - and we also learnt the verb form 'soy', meaning I am. We

enjoyed practising our speaking, listening, reading and writing skills in the lessons.
In PE, we have been practising races for Sports Day. We showed fantastic enthusiasm, teamwork and sportsmanship, cheering each other on and trying our best in every race.
In Maths, we have continued learning about time, focusing on the 24-hour clock and calculating duration. We are becoming much more confident, and it would be wonderful if you could keep revising how to tell the time at home.

In RE, Year 3 have been learning about the River Ganges and why it is sacred to Sanatanis. We have been thoughtful, respectful and engaged throughout our discussions and have demonstrated an excellent understanding.
We have enjoyed learning about the Nile in Humanities – developing our understanding of why it was essential to the Ancient Egyptian civilisation.
Well done on such a super few weeks, Year 3 - your hard work and positivity shine through in everything you do.

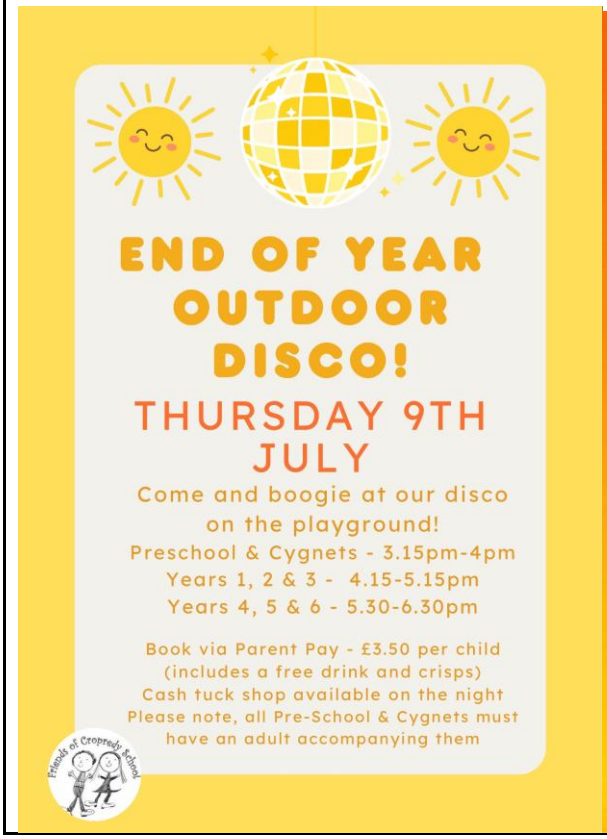
Our Class Showcase is on Friday 10th July at 2:30pm. We are looking forward to sharing our learning with you and hope you can join us.

Year 5

It has been a wonderful week in Year 5, even with the heatwave making learning a little more challenging, and the children have shown fantastic resilience and enthusiasm throughout. They especially enjoyed their history lessons, creating detailed fact files about **Queen Elizabeth I** and exploring the events of the **Spanish Armada**. In maths, we continued building confidence with **negative numbers**, while in English the class had great fun writing news reports on the dramatic death of King Duncan from *Macbeth*. PE has been full of energy as the children train for Sports Day, and in Science they planned their own experiments, showing curiosity, independence and excellent teamwork.

PTFA Updates

Please book your disco ticket on ParentPay by Tuesday at the very latest – thank you



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