

# John Cross CE Primary School Newsletter

Newsletter Date 7<sup>th</sup>  
October 2024  
Autumn Term 1



## Calendar Dates

8/10/24

Y3/4 trip to Ribchester Roman Museum

14/10/24

Y5/6 Beacon Fell visit

15/10/24

Parents Evening

18/10/24

Close for half-term

28/10/24

School re-opens

29/10/24

School photographs

6/11/24

Start school day at St.Hilda's

11/11/24

Remembrance service, Bilborrow memorial

15/12/24

Infant Nativity in church

16/12/24

Junior carol service in church

20/12/24

End of term awards at St.Hilda's 1-1.30pm, close for Christmas holidays.

## Christian Value this term: Compassion

*Colossians 3:12: 'Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.'*

## This week...

### Open Day

It was great to see plenty of visitors for our school Open day on Wednesday, with new families seeing what John Cross has to offer. Thank you to all of the children and staff who really showed what a great little school we have, engaged in their learning and very polite when I entered the classrooms with visitors.

This week we welcome two new girls to our school, Sophia and Dolly-Rose. Please make them feel welcome and help them to settle in this week.

I have sent home a letter responding to the parent survey sent out before the summer break - staff will also be sending home the information sheets this week regarding the Class Dojo log in that is mentioned in the letter.

### Uniform

The children have new school uniform and look smart, however we have cases of lost jumpers and cardigans without names in. We ask the same thing every year - Please clearly label you child's clothing, it makes it so much easier to return it to them. Please also check your child has their own and not somebody else's clothing on by checking the name labels. Please also instill into the older children that is it their responsibility to look after it - whilst staff will help, we don't like wasting time repeatedly searching for lost clothing. There is a lost property box in the school office that parents are welcome to check.

## Breakfast and After School Club

We have seen an increase in demand for wrap around care in recent weeks, but also parents leaving it until last minute to book. We've even had parents dropping children in the morning without any prior booking! Due to pre-school children now attending, it lowers the ratio of children to staff to 8-1. **Therefore it is essential to book places in advance**, as if we have reached the limit of 8 children, we will have to say no to late requests.

## Y5/6 Football League

Well done to the boys who played in the first 3 matches on Friday after school - it was a tough start, playing three much larger schools that ended in defeat in all 3 games. However, I was proud of how the boys persevered and hopefully this Friday they will get a few more positive results. Well done to Isaac in year 5 who scored a great goal!

## School photos

A photographer will be visiting school from 8.30am on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October, where younger siblings can be photographed together first thing, along with class photos.

## Parents Evening

Please ensure you fill in a time slot on the appointment sheets found in the reception area. Y3/4 parents can also book earlier appointments with Mrs Wright before 3.15pm.

## Awards



Class 1 Good Work  
Stanley for a more positive attitude to his learning.

Star Pupil: Feyis for excellent maths work.

Class 2 Good Work  
Nellie & Taylor for their poems about the Earth.

Star Pupil: Matilda for a super week in school & working hard in all her lessons.

Class 3 Good Work  
Caiden, great English work on Escape to Pompei. Harry for great work in maths.

Star Pupil: Scarlett for always being ready to learn.

Class 4 Good Work  
Zachary, Ronnie and Jake for writing powerful persuasive letters about deforestation in the rainforest.

Star Pupil: Tommy for consistently being an excellent role model.



*Happy Birthday to the following pupil;  
Taylor Shaw*

## Forest Schools!

Reception had a great session learning outdoors in our woodland this week, in their brand new all in one waterproofs with Kirsty our Forest schools teacher!



*Have a great weekend everyone!*



*Mr Reynolds*