

Newsletter

Friday 30th November 2018

Term Dates 2018/19

1st **December** FOTS Meet Father Christmas at Cranswick Garden Centre

10th **December** KS1 Christmas Party

11th DecemberOnline Safety Day for children followed by Parents Workshop after school at 4pm

11th DecemberFOTS Christmas Secret
Shop

12th December Y3/4 Christmas Party

13th December Y5/6 Christmas Party

14th DecemberKS1 Christmas Production
9.30am

14th December KS2 Christmas Production 2.00pm

14th **December** FOTS Christmas Secret Shop

17th DecemberKS1 Christmas Production
2pm and 6pm

18th DecemberKS2 Christmas Production
2pm and 6pm

19th December Revd Amos Christmas Assembly in school

Christmas Events

With only three school weeks left until we break up for the Christmas holiday, we have many events and activities to enjoy in school. It will be a jam-packed run up to Christmas with festive celebrations alongside our day to day learning. The children will all attend a class Christmas party with the dates listed for these in the Term Dates section. Class teachers will send additional letters informing you of what food your child will need to bring and when they will get changed for their parties. KS1 and KS2 Christmas Productions will both be performed three times. KS1 are performing 'Hooray in a Manger' on Friday 14th December at 9.30am and Monday 17th December at 2pm and 6pm. KS2 are performing 'Santa's on Strike' on Friday 14th December at 2pm and Tuesday 18th December at 2pm and 6pm. We look forward to seeing you all at one of these performances.

The whole school will be attending St Peter's Church on Thursday 20th December and singing carols from 9.45am. We hope you can join us for this celebration. On Thursday 20th the children will also be able to come to school in Christmas jumpers. We are kindly asking for a donation of £1 for wearing Christmas jumpers to raise money for Dove House Hospice. On the 20th the children will also be able to enjoy Christmas lunch – so it will be a very busy and festive day.

We are very grateful to The Friends of the School, who again this year are supporting our annual trip to the theatre. This year the children will be going to Bridlington Spa to watch Jack and the Beanstalk. We will be asking for a £5 donation towards transport but the rest of the trip will be funded by money raised by the FOTS. A letter will be sent home in the coming weeks with further information. Our thanks go to the FOTS for all of their continued hard work, commitment and support. We are sure the children will enjoy the next three weeks and it will really get them into the festive spirit.

Children In Need

Thank you to all of the children who supported Children In Need. We raised a fantastic £478.60. Thank you to the School Council and Mrs Lewer for organising the events and to Mrs Bjorndal (one of our School Governors) for running the 'Bring and Buy' stall . The 'Bring and Buy' sale proved to be very popular with many items sold by the end of the morning. Thank you for all of your generous donations and to the children who came to buy items. The children all looked fabulous in non-uniform and there were many Mr Nevet's spotted around school throughout the day. It is such a worthy cause to raise money for and it is great to see our children supporting the charity and making a difference to the lives of others.

Online Safety Parents/Carers Meeting

Our children will all take part in an Online Safety session during the school day on Tuesday 11th December. At 4pm on Tuesday the 11th we are inviting parents/carers to join us for an Online Safety Meeting led by an external provider. This will be an informative session to ensure you are up to date on new trends and threats and also to look at procedures for keeping our children safe online. Please complete and return the attached form to book a place at this important session.

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19th **December**FOTS Pantomime
Bridlington Spa Jack and the Beanstalk

20th December Christmas Jumper Day 9.45am Carols at St Peter's Church Christmas Dinner

21st **December** Last day before Christmas holiday

7th **January** Staff Training Day

8th **January** Children return to school

10th January
Y6 Young Voices Concert



Parking

As I am sure you are all aware parking at the front of the school is an ongoing issue. This has been added to now that the library bus, which visits every other Monday, also parks at the front of school, which restricts parking even further. For this reason we kindly ask that people continue to avoid parking at the front of school for drop off and pick up times so that staff, many of whom live outside the village and have to travel to school by car, can park close to the school. Thank you in advance for your support.

Join us for Lunch

It is lovely to see so many parents and carers joining us for lunch. The children love to have family members visit them to enjoy a meal. We would just like to remind people to book at least a full day in advance. As our daily lunch numbers are high, we need to know how many additional meals we need to prepare as soon as possible. Many thanks in advance for your cooperation and we look forward to seeing you in school for lunch.

House Points

We are currently reviewing our House Point system and house names and are hoping to revise this in the near future. Our School Council will be leading on this in terms of getting ideas from the children in school about the names we could use for our house teams and also rewards we could have for the winning house team at the end of each term. Ideally we would like our house names to be meaningful to the school, surrounding area or local community. We are asking for your support in terms of any ideas you may have for our new names. Currently our names are animals — Bears, Wolves, Tigers, Leopards and Lions. If you have any ideas please email school on cranswick@eastriding.gov.uk or add your suggestions to the form attached. We look forward to hearing your ideas.

Community

We would like to thank the organisers of Cranbury for their kind donation to our Friends of the School charity from money raised at the Cranbury Festival. This money has allowed us to buy a school camera which will enable us to take high-quality photographs of the children in school and at events. These photographs can then be displayed and shared around school and on the website.

We would also like to thank Southlands Care Home for welcoming us in to read with the residents once a month. Small groups of our Year 6 children have thoroughly enjoyed sharing their reading books at Southlands. We are also currently working on an art project in school, whereby the two winning pieces will be framed and donated to Southlands. The children are enjoying completing their entries. Mr Nevet and Mrs Hoyle will also be taking a group of singers to sing carols at Southlands on the last day of term. We also look forward to welcoming some of the residents to one of our KS2 Christmas performances of 'Santa's on Strike'.

APP

We have had some positive feedback about our school APP. Parents/carers have informed us that notices and news via the APP are an excellent form of quick communication and it also provides them with an easy way of keeping up to date with things that are happening in school. If you have not had chance to download our APP it is easy to do and free. To download the APP, if you are an Android user, go to Google Play and search for School Jotter. If you are an iOS user go to the App Store and search for School Jotter. You then need to find our school name and select. On the APP there is a section for news, newsletters, the school calendar, notices and a gallery. Our twitter pages continue to be a great source of information and an insight and window into the current life and learning of the school. If you do not have a twitter account you can view our tweets via our school website from the quick link on the home page. We hope that all these forms of communication continue to ensure you are fully informed about life at Hutton Cranswick Community Primary School.