



# THE CRESCENT PRIMARY SCHOOL

December 2025 Newsletter



## Whole school diary:

6<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fayre 11-2pm

9<sup>th</sup> December – Year 6 Christmas Coffee Morning 9:15am

10<sup>th</sup> December – Last Karate Session before half term

11<sup>th</sup> December – Year 5 Christmas Coffee Morning 9:15am

16<sup>th</sup> December – FOTC Christmas shop, Year R, Year 1 & Year 2

16<sup>th</sup> December – Year R Nativity 9:30 & 2:45

16<sup>th</sup> December – Last Sketch Club before half term

17<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner and Jumper day

18<sup>th</sup> December – FOTC Christmas shop, Year 3,4,5 & 6

18<sup>th</sup> December – Year 1 video screening 9:15 & 2:45

19<sup>th</sup> December – Last day before Christmas break 3:25 finish

## A message from Mr Wartnaby:

What a wonderful start to the festive season we've had at school! The past week has been filled with joy, creativity, and community spirit and I'd like to share some highlights with you.

Our Year 2 pupils delighted us all with their beautiful Nativity performance. Their confidence and enthusiasm shone through every moment and it was a joy to see them bring the Christmas story to life.

Year 3 and 4 followed with an excellent Carol Concert that filled the church with festive cheer. Thank you to all the families who joined us and supported these events – your presence makes these occasions truly special.

A special thank you also goes to Eastleigh Baptist Church. It is a pleasure to work with the church, and the efforts from all involved make this season very special for our children.

A huge congratulations to our boys' and girls' football teams! Both teams have shown incredible determination, teamwork and skill, achieving fantastic results in recent matches. We are so proud of their efforts and the way they represent our school.

As we approach the busy festive period, please remember to park responsibly around Causton Gardens. Keeping our pupils safe and being considerate to our neighbours is a priority for us all. Thank you for your cooperation.

I am very pleased to share that Mrs Brooks welcomed a beautiful baby boy named Toby to the world last week. We cannot wait to meet him and wish Mrs Brooks and her family well during this exciting time.

Please have a look at a message from Lenny in our newsletter and support if you can.

I wish everyone a lovely Christmas period and as always thank you all for your support.

## Our star value performers! – Belong



Well done to Willow M in Year 2 for winning the local MP's 2025 Christmas Card Competition!

Liz Jarvis has chosen the winning design which will be printed onto her Christmas cards and delivered to thousands of homes across Eastleigh!

**Current Vacancies:** We have no vacancies at this time.

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## Year R news:

Year R have loved learning about 'After Dark', and have made shadows, reflectors and split pin astronauts. We have learnt about Space and planets through role play and music. Everyone was fascinated by the visit from Sublime Science and especially making slime! In maths we have been learning to match numerals with sets of objects and then compare more and fewer. We have learnt the rhyme 'Five Little Peas' to support our understanding of numbers to 5. In phonics we have been learning phase 3 sounds and we have started to learn diagraphs. We have been writing CVC words and we have started to write captions. We have read a range of texts including Astro Girl, Owl Babies and The Light in the Night. The children have enjoyed using characters and puppets to retell stories.



## Year 1 news:

Year 1 have enjoyed focussing on artist 'Yayoi Kusama' in art over the last couple of weeks. They looked closely at some of her art and then have created several of their own pieces in the same style as the artist. They started by creating a dotty viewfinder to see everything around them covered in dots. The children then investigated how to create dots in different ways – we decided our favourite tool was a cotton bud. We then created pumpkins and decorated them with dots. For our final piece, the children made a tree collage in the style of Yayoi. Firstly, they used a template to make their own leaves and then decorated them with dots. Next they assembled their collage and decorated their tree using bright coloured dots.



## Year 2 news:

Year 2 have been working very hard on their Christmas nativity performance, learning lines and many songs. We hope that you all enjoyed their performances and thank you again for supporting us with costumes and learning lines. They really did you proud! In design and technology, children have been learning how to chop and grate different vegetables ready to make their final products. In English they have completed writing their letters to the King to give him some ideas for his day off and places that he might like to visit. We will send them to him and see if we get a reply!



### *Year 3 news:*

Year 3 had a fantastic learning time at Butser Ancient Farm. They looked at artefacts – some real! – and to decide what they could have been used for. The children thoroughly enjoyed being archaeologists and digging for artefacts! The children enjoyed making copper jewellery as they would have created during the Iron Age. The children had an opportunity to look around the different roadhouses from the Stone Age era and asked lots of questions: -



In maths, Year 3 have been looking at the properties of 2D and 3D shapes as part of their geometry learning. They enjoyed learning about and finding right angles on these shapes. The children enjoyed writing their instructions on how to hunt in the Stone Age for their English learning.

### *Year 4 news:*

Year 4 thoroughly enjoyed their Virtual Reality sessions. In Geography the children have been learning about a range of biomes such as Tundra and Grassland and through the VR headsets they were able to explore their surroundings and the different animals that can be found in these environments.



In maths, the children have been learning about equivalent fractions, using fraction family walls to support them. As well as this, they have been learning to count in tenths and hundredths, as well as add and subtract fractions with the same denominator. In English, children have researched an Anglo-Saxon artefact and then produced their own fact file about it. It has been wonderful to see the Anglo-Saxon shields the children have made for their homework this half term.

### *Year 5 news:*

Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed their Ancient Egyptian day and it was wonderful to see such inventive costumes! They got the opportunity to create their own detailed sarcophagus and write their name in hieroglyphics.



In English, the children are enjoying their new book study, 'Egyptian Cinderella', and have written emotive diary entries based on the main character in the story. They used a range of sentence types and parenthesis to add extra detail to their writing. In maths, the children have been learning about angles and created angle finders to find a range of angles around the classroom.

## Year 6 news:

Year 6 had a fantastic Ancient Greek History Day this term. They especially loved the VR workshop, exploring temples and daily life and the lively courtroom drama, where they took on roles and debated like real Athenians. In Art, pupils have begun learning technical drawing, practising precision and perspective. They've made a great start and are excited to finish their pieces next week.



We are also very proud of the progress the children have made in their writing, particularly in using dialogue to enhance action and convey character. In PE, the year group has begun creating a powerful dance based on the theme Survivors and the ideas already emerging are impressive!

## Friends of The Crescent:

The Crescent Primary School would like to thank AJ Wallis for all of her hard work and dedication to FOTC in the past 4 years as Chairperson. We would also like to thank Sam Churchill for all of her brilliant organisation and efforts as Secretary over the last 4 years also. Both AJ and Sam have worked tirelessly to help organise and run many events to raise vital funds for our school. We thank you both for your dedication and the brilliant impact you have had on the Crescent Primary. We welcome Kim Christopher as Chair of FOTC and look forward to the many exciting events FOTC have planned for our children! Don't forget the Christmas Market is on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December - we look forward to seeing you all!

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## Governor spotlight- Governors

I am delighted to join The Crescent as a co-opted governor, and look forward to meeting many wonderful students and parents over the coming months. With five years' experience working in Higher Education alongside students, alumni, volunteers and donors, I hope to bring strategic and organisational support to a range of projects at school. As co-opted governor, I will also act as a member of the Resources Committee and as Link Governor for EDI. In my spare time, I love reading literary fiction and finding countryside walks in Hampshire.



## Notice Board: Pastoral

Our Pastoral Team are inviting all parents to a 10-week **Family Links Nurturing Programme for Parents**.

Starts: Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January

Location: Crescent Primary School

Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Continues every Thursday for 10 weeks

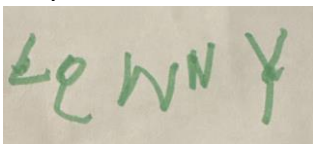
**All Parents are Welcome!**

Please contact [Pastoral@crescent.hants.sch.uk](mailto:Pastoral@crescent.hants.sch.uk)

**Medical Appointments** – A gentle reminder, in line with DFE guidance parents should try to make non-urgent appointments outside of school hours wherever possible. Where appointments during school time are unavoidable, we ask that the parent notifies us in advance. Please be advised children should only be out of school for the minimum amount of time necessary for the appointment and not miss a whole day at school.

### *Message from Lenny (Year 1)-*

I am taking part in a 24-hour relay to raise money for cancer research in memory of my great-grandad. I'm selling these Christmas pin badges if anyone would like to make a small donation, please feel free to take a



badge. Thank you for your support.

The badges will be on sale next week and Lenny will come around with badges if anyone would like to buy a badge. Well done Lenny what a fantastic cause (Mr Wartnaby 😊)

### *Safeguarding-*

As you are aware, members of staff are on the gates each morning. This is not only to welcome children and parents but also forms an important part of our safeguarding measures. Our presence helps reduce the risk of a child leaving the school site after drop-off and provides an opportunity for parents to speak to us about any concerns—including worries about a child's wellbeing. If you do have any concerns about a child or family, please feel free to speak to us on the gate.