

NC News

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The newsletter of
Normand Croft Community School



Each week, the class with the best attendance and punctuality receive a cup. Our target is 98%
Congratulations to C4 for your excellent attendance.

Rec	84
1	95
2	95
3	85
4	100
5	84
6	90
Total	91

Remember you need to arrive by 8.55 am.
Free breakfast available from 8.40 for children in Reception – Year 6.

Our Shared Values

In Special Mentions this week, we spent some time reflecting on the life of Queen Elizabeth II ahead of her state funeral on Monday 19th September. One of our recent memories of her was when she enjoyed having tea with Paddington Bear, as part of her Platinum Jubilee celebration.



This year, KS2 classes are striving to win our new **'be safe, be kind, be the best you can be cup'**. Throughout the week any member of staff can award points when they notice children working well as a class team for example by wearing the correct clothing, having marvellous manners, showing legendary lining up and demonstrating fantastic focus at the right time. These are all important skills for life along with excellent attendance and punctuality. C4, the winning class, enjoyed a cup of hot chocolate in the staffroom - a reward suggested by last year's school council members.

Attendance and Punctuality

Thank you to all parents/carers who make sure that your children arrive on time and are collected on time at the end of the day.

Where we have concerns about punctuality or attendance, we will ask to meet with you to see what support can be put in place – this may include a referral to Family support if necessary.

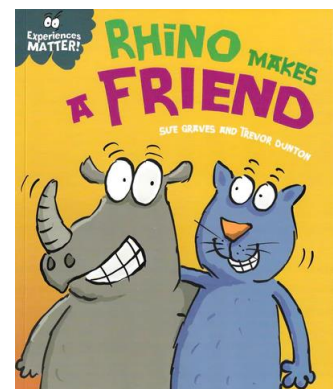
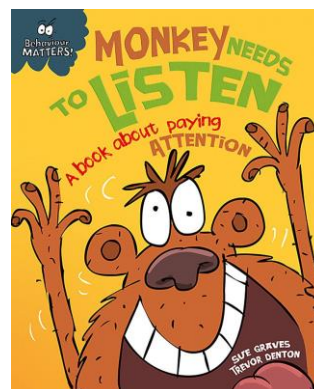
If you **CANNOT**
be on Time,



Then
Be **EARLY**

Welcome to Early Years

On Monday, we welcomed our youngest children to Nursery. The children in Early Years have been busy exploring the classroom and outdoor area and making friends. Reception children have written our class agreement and have been practising our 'whole body listening' for carpet time learning..



Be Safe, Be Kind, Be The Best That You Can Be

Early Years and Primary Learning

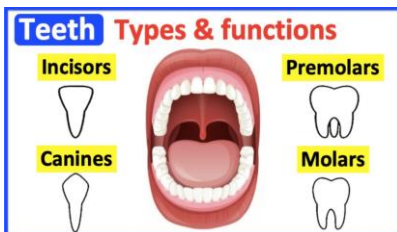
Class 1 have settled beautifully into Key Stage One. The great excitement has been being able to use the big playground as well as having PE lessons. In English we have been starting to learn the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. Our Science topic is exploring our body parts and our senses. The children have enjoyed labelling the body parts and challenging themselves to think of the tricky ones.



This week in Class 2, we started our new book in English called 'Jack and the Baked Beanstalk' which is a twist on the traditional fairy tale. The children were identifying differences and comparing the two books. Also, they learnt how to use more interesting adjectives to describe scenes captured from the text. In art, we were looking at the work of Andy Goldsworthy. We collected natural resources around our garden and playground before making designs with our resources in groups.

In Class 3, we have enjoyed settling into the new school year. We have now started new topics across all subjects. A particular highlight of the week has been sorting lots of different foods into categories, such as 'sugar vs no sugar' or 'healthy vs unhealthy'. This is part of our Science 'Food, Food, Glorious Food' unit. Take a look at one of our sorting tables!

Class 4 have begun our science topic about teeth and digestion. This week we made observations of our own teeth - identifying the different types and their function. We also looked at the teeth of some different animals and how they are suited to their diet.



We have had a wonderful week and a half in Year 5, learning all about highway men in the late 18th century, as well as revising important topics from the Maths curriculum. We've also had time to be creative and created a class solar system and designed and decorated bookmarks. We are all very excited about it!



Class 6 have started their new English text 'The Highwayman' by Alfred Noyes. It is a narrative poem set in the 18th century and is based on a true story that the poet heard while he was visiting in the part of England where highwaymen used to lie in wait for the stagecoaches!

Autumn 1 Diary Dates	Excellence Be Safe, Be Kind, Be the Best You Can Be.
Mon 19 th Sep	SCHOOL CLOSED BANK HOLIDAY
Tue 20 th Sep	C5 & 6 Squash Club am 9.00 C1 meet the team 2.45 C6 meet the team C1&2 PE C3 & 4 Multisports 3.30-4.30
Wed 21 st Sep	9.00 C3 meet the team C5&6 PE C4, 5 & 6 Keep Fit Club 3.30-4.30 C5 & 6 Girls Football 3.30-4.30
Thu 22 nd Sep	9.00 C4 meet the team 2.45 C5 meet the team C6 swimming C5 & 6 Boys Football Club 3.30-4.30
Fri 23 rd	9.00 C2 meet the team C5 swimming
Mon 26 th Sep	C3&4 PE C1 & 2 Multisports 3.30-4.30
Tue 27 th Sep	C5 & 6 Squash Club am C1&2 PE C3 & 4 Multisports 3.30-4.30 C5 Gardening Club 3.30- 4.30
Wed 28 th Sep	C5&6 PE C4, 5 & 6 Keep Fit Club 3.30-4.30 C5 & 6 Girls Football 3.30-4.30 C6 Eco Club 3.30-4.30
Thu 29 th Sep	C6 swimming C5 & 6 Boys Football Club 3.30-4.30
Fri 30 th Sep	C5 swimming
Mon 3 rd Oct	C3&4 PE
Tue 4 th Oct	C1&2 PE
Wed 5 th Oct	C5&6 PE
Thu 6 th Oct	C6 swimming
Fri 7 th Oct	C5 swimming