

CROXTON KERRIAL CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPRING 1 NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back and Happy New Year. We hope you all had a wonderful break over the festive period.

The first week of term threw some curveballs our way thanks to the weather and we appreciate your patience while we worked through this. Thank you to our Premises Officer and the team here for keeping us safe and enabling us to reopen a day later than planned.

HELPFUL INFORMATION

SRE (Sex and Relationships Education) Policy & Parent Consultation

You may remember that we shared a new policy for Sex and Relationships Education at our school last term which can be found on the school website. Our planned online meeting where parents are invited to share their views on the draft policy was unfortunately postponed due to an Ofsted inspection. The new date for the consultation is Wednesday 29th January at 4pm. A link will be sent out nearer the time.

Parent Code of Conduct – this will be added to the website and a message will also be sent via Arbor regarding this in due course.



The RPSB Birdwatch event for 2025 will take place on January 24th, 25th and 26th. Participants are asked to spend an hour watching and counting birds in their garden, local park, or from their balcony, and then send their results to the RSPB.

Big Garden Birdwatch is the world's largest garden wildlife survey. Every year, hundreds of thousands of nature lovers like you take part, helping to build a picture of how garden birds are faring.

If you would like to take part, please click on the link below for more information:

[The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds](https://www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch)

Attendance

We will be monitoring pupil's attendance regularly throughout the academic year. Regular attendance at school promotes pupil wellbeing, maximises progress in learning and helps pupils reach their potential. Good attendance is fundamental to a successful and fulfilling school experience. It is our duty to promote 100% attendance for all children. For our children to take full advantage of the educational opportunities offered, it is vital that our pupils are at school, on time, every day the school is open unless the reason for the absence is unavoidable.

Good attendance is important because:

- Statistics show a direct link between under-achievement and absence below 95%
- Regular attendees make better progress, both socially and academically
- Regular attendees find school routines, schoolwork and friendship easier to cope with
- Regular attendees are most successful in transferring between primary school, secondary school, higher education and employment or training.

We are supported by Karen Harvey who is our Trust Attendance Officer and monitors attendance termly.

"Let all that you do be done with love." 1 Corinthians 16:14

Key Diary Dates:

Tuesday 4th February – Year 5/6 Basketball competition @ Redmile

Friday 14th February – **INSET DAY** (school closed)

Open worship dates for this term are as follows:

Friday 31st January

Friday 28th February

Friday 14th March

Friday 28th March Mother's Day service – to be confirmed

Friday 4th April

The Easter service will take place in the last week of term, week beginning 7th April, date and time to be confirmed.

Please join us on these dates at 2.45pm.

Have a good week.

Kind Regards

A. Scott

Mrs A Scott

Executive Headteacher



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Staying well this winter

With the colder, winter months leading to more of us suffering from coughs, colds, flu and other illnesses, it's important to know when and where to get the right treatment for any member of your family.

Here you can find a wide range of resources to help you and your family stay well this winter.

Get in the Know this winter

It can be difficult to think clearly when you, or your child, experience an immediate health problem.

NHS Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland have created a page called [Get In The Know](#) to help you understand local services so that you know where to reach out in the event of an injury or illness, including [how to get care over the Christmas and New Year period](#).

The page gives information about urgent care services such as your GP practice, 111 and A&E. As well as how your pharmacist or 111 online can help with minor ailments.

Click here to access the 'Get in the Know' information



Winter wellness hub

To help support you and your family stay well this winter, on Health for Kids: Grownups you can access an [online winter hub](#) with advice around flu, local vaccination clinics, fevers, stomach bugs as well as general winter health and safety advice.

The hub contains information for all the family, with CBBC's Operation Ouch team on hand with videos on head injuries and fevers for children to enjoy, while grownups can discover how to look after a member of the family with norovirus.

Click here to access the winter hub



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DID YOU KNOW....

Norovirus and other sickness bugs can usually be treated at home without any need for hospital treatment. The most important thing is to drink lots of water to stay hydrated!

Get the latest winter updates



For the latest advice, support and information throughout winter, we recommend following these local accounts on Instagram:

- [Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Integrated Care Board \(@nhsllr\)](#)
- [Leicester's Hospitals \(@leicestershospitals\)](#)
- [Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust \(@lptnhs\)](#)
- [East Midlands Ambulance \(@emasnhstrust\)](#)
- [Leicestershire Police \(@leicestershire_police\)](#)
- [Leicester City Council \(@leicestercitycouncil\)](#)
- [Leicestershire County Council \(@leicountyhall\)](#)
- [Rutland County Council \(@rutlandcouncil\)](#)



NHS 111



111.nhs.uk

NHS 111 can help if you have an urgent medical problem and you're not sure what to do. They offer help 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and can:

Tell you where to get help for your symptoms

Direct you to urgent care centres, GPs and pharmacies

Direct you to where to get emergency medical prescriptions

Provide general health information and advice

For life-threatening illnesses or injuries, you should always dial 999.

Discover how some simple home-based self-care could save you from hours in a busy hospital waiting room or GP surgery.

Click here to access Leicester's Hospitals' 'Stay Well Guide'

Stay Home, Stay Well

A Parent's Guide to Self-care at home for children aged 0-9



The flu virus can survive on surfaces for many hours, so good hand hygiene and frequent hand washing is very important.

Having the flu vaccine can also help protect you, your family and others from the worst effects.

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