Crossley Fields
Junior & Infant School

**Tuesday 29th September 2026**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a lovely weekend, with the return of some much needed warmer and drier weather this week! The start of my parents' letter this week sadly sees a reminder about parking and driving around school.

- We ask that you adopt an 'unofficial one-way system' by driving down Wellhouse Lane from Jenny Lane / Lockwood Avenue, rather than driving up Wellhouse Lane from Flash Lane.
- Please do not park or drive on pavements. Pavements are for people, including children, those with mobility difficulties, pushchairs and prams.
- Please do not block neighbours' driveways when you park. Remember, they have a right to come and go from their driveway at any time of the day.
- Please do not attempt to turn your vehicle round in the road or use the hatch markings by the school barrier to do so either.

Thank you to everyone who abides by the above and helps to keep the roads and pavements around school safe for our children.

*The Co-op on Old Bank Road (WF14 0JA) have kindly said parents can park in their car park before and after school. They have just asked that we park at the bottom on the right-hand side so that delivery drivers still have access.*

If you see any dangerous driving or pavement parking, please report it to parking@kirklees.gov.uk or West Yorkshire Police via www.westyorkshire.police.uk.

**Half-Termly Newsletters & Class Emails**

Class teachers have now sent out half-term newsletters, and these are also available in the year group bubbles on our website. We hope they are useful for you to keep up to date with what your child is learning across the curriculum. In addition, weekly class emails give an up-to-date picture of what your child has learnt that week and homework for the coming week. If you have not been receiving the weekly email from your child's teacher, please contact the school office.

**Visits and Visitors Overview**

Attached to this letter is our whole school overview of the visits and visitors to school as well as charity, fundraising and Crossley Fields Family events. We have tried to be as accurate as possible but for some events it is not possible to give a firm date and price. In these cases, we have included approximations or TBC- to be confirmed at this stage. With the rising cost of petrol, we are seeing an increase in the cost of coaches to take us on visits. As much as possible we try and keep the cost as low as possible and choose venues that give the children an experience we can't give them in school. Thank you to the Crossley Fields Family who subsidies trips as much as they can from their fundraising efforts.

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**Crossley Fields Family**
We are looking for volunteers to join our Crossley Fields Family. They have lots of exciting plans for the year ahead including a disco and a movie night, but they can only happen if we have enough volunteers to run them. If you would like to volunteer, please contact school.

**PCAN Coffee Mornings**
Following the success of our previous coffee mornings with PCAN (Parents of Children with Additional Needs Making a Difference in Kirklees), we're really keen to keep these sessions going this year too. The coffee mornings are a relaxed, informal get-together for parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). They provide the opportunity to chat with our local PCAN worker, the SENCOs and most importantly other parents and carers. **We are holding our first coffee morning of the year on Wednesday 7th October at 9am in the KS2 Building.**

Please let us know if you can make it. You can either email senco@crossleyfields.com, or click this link PCAN coffee afternoon on Wednesday 7th October at 9am – Fill in form

If you are unable to attend but would like to ask something at the session, please feel free to let Mrs Booth or Miss Hill know and we can ask on your behalf. They can be contacted on senco@crossleyfields.com

**Snacks for playtime**
A couple of parents have asked what children are allowed to bring for morning playtime snacks. Fruit, vegetables (carrot sticks, cucumber, celery sticks etc), blocks of cheese, yoghurts, cereal bars containing no nuts, raisins and breadsticks are all options we are happy for children to bring to school. If you are unsure of anything, please contact the office or your child's class teacher.

**Attendance**
We have begun our 'Classopoly' weekly attendance challenge, and our first whole school attendance challenge of the year, "10 in 10" launches in a few weeks' time.
The top 10 classes for attendance so far, this academic year are below.
All are above our target of 96% - Fantastic!

- 1/2 HL: 99.3%
- 3KK: 98.8%
- RJD: 98.1%
- 5HS: 97.6%
- 1/2 KW: 97.4%
- 4CP: 97.4%
- 4TR: 97.3%
- 1/2 LH: 97.9%
- 6RW: 96.9%
- 3HM: 96.9% present

**Term dates and dates for your diary for the Autumn Term**:


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A reminder that a full list of term dates for this academic year can be found on the school website https://www.crossleyfields.com/Term-Dates/
*Please be aware that May half term 2027 is later this year for all schools in Kirklees who are maintained by the Local Authority.

| Date | Event |
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| **Wednesday 7th October 9:00am** | PCAN Coffee Morning |
| **Wednesday 14th October & Thursday 15th October** | Parent's Evening – **booking details will be sent shortly.** |
| **Friday 23rd October** | School closes for half term |
| **Monday 2nd November** | School opens for pupils |
| **Friday 18th December** | School closes for Christmas Holidays |

With my very best wishes

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