# **CROMWELL ACADEMY NEWS JANUARY 2018**



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Dear Parents/Carers

I cant believe it's nearly half term already and what a busy half term we've had. The opening of our new Trim Trail, toast for breakfast and lots of fabulous learning going on to name but a few.

The children have come back after the Christmas break eager to learn and this has been observed in in all aspects of learning across the school.

We are looking forward to our Year 2 residential which will take place in March. We also have the Valentine's disco to look forward to and a visit from a farm to our Reception class, everyone is looking forward to meeting all of the creatures they will bring along for us to see and learn about.

Our children are really enjoying the reward system linked to our learning characters implemented by our School Council and as well as earning lots of green certificates many are going on to achieving bronze and silver awards - amazing!

I would like to say a big well done to all the pupils at Cromwell Academy who are really working hard - keep up the good work.

## Lauren Blyth Acting Headteacher

#### Term Dates 2018

3 January - Training Day 4 January - Spring Term Opens 12-16 February - Half Term 29 March - Spring Term Closes 16 April - Training Day 17 April - Summer Term Opens 7 May - May Bank Holiday 28 May - 1 June - Half Term 4 June - Summer Term Opens 20 July - Summer Term Closes 23 and 24 July - Training Days 4 September - Training Day

5 September - Autumn Term Opens

### QR Code

We've learnt a new ICT trick - scan the code to take part in the online parent/ carer survey.



#### New Trim Trail

On Friday 12 January 2018 the children were thrilled to finally play on our new equipment. Kat Tateno, on behalf of CAF, was there to officially declare the site open. Each class took turns to play on the new equipment throughout the day. It has proved very popular and has been very well utilised to date. Our School Council are working on a name for the new equipment, so watch this space.



## Wizard of Oz

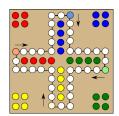
On the morning of Thursday 11 January 2018 every child in our school, along with the adults, walked to the Performing Arts Centre at Hinchingbrooke School and watched a wonderful performance of the Wizard of Oz. There was some amazing feedback and it appears to have been a very successful venture.



## Can you help?

We'd like to upgrade some resources in our Kids Club and hoped that some of our families may have items at home they are happy to donate. We especially need board games, card games, puzzles and dressing-up items. We would also be grateful if you have any items that may be used for craft sessions, perhaps unused rolls of wallpaper, cards, ribbon or fabric for example. All donations will be gratefully received.

























#### Congratulations to Mrs Wootton

On Monday 8
January 2018 Mrs
Wootton gave birth
to her gorgeous
twins, a boy and a
girl, Ariana and
Edison. The whole
family are enjoying
the new additions
and getting used to
their new life
together. We are
looking forward to
them all visiting us
soon.



## **ACES Academies Trust**

As you are aware on Monday 1 January 2018 we became part of the ACES Academies Trust and are looking forward to the future and all that this union will bring. So far the changes have been mainly administrative and hopefully the smooth transition has meant this has not had an impact on our school community.

We are beginning to reap the benefits of this relationship already, with resources being shared including Year 6 being supported by a maths specialist from Hinchingbrooke School to help them as they prepare for their "quizzes" in May.

#### Financial

Reminder that with effect from **Monday 19 February 2018** we will become a cashless office. Payments should be made on Parentpay or by cheques payable to ACES Academies Trust. Thank you for your ongoing support.