

CROMWELL ACADEMY NEWS

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As October comes to an end and the nights begin to close in, Cromwell Academy would like to welcome you back after half term and share our October news.

October began with a bang, our Harvest Festival was a great success and Godmanchester Foodbank were extremely grateful for our donations.

Our parent/teacher consultations also took place, as parents and teachers had the chance to share how each child has settled in. Thank you for the great turn out. Please remember if you would like to have your say at any time please visit <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/parent-view-result/survey/esult/129228/4>

Next up, we are looking forward to welcoming the children to our spooky Halloween disco on Wednesday 1 November 2017 and hope you all have a ghostly Halloween!

Lauren Blyth
Acting Headteacher

Wear it Pink

Our Wear it Pink day was a great success, thank you so much for all donations, we raised a huge £178.60 for a fantastic cause. This year the children had the chance to win a 'Pink hamper' put together by the school. Anybody who donated had their names put in a hat and a winner was drawn – well done to Zara in Reception who won this perfectly pink prize. Alongside this, 2 names from each class were also pulled out of the hat and the children attended a pink afternoon tea with Mrs Blyth, which included pink 'fizz', pink wafers and a selection of pink sweets.



Diwali

On Wednesday 18 October, Cromwell Academy gathered in the hall to learn all about Diwali.

We learnt the story of Rama and Sita and talked about how and why Hindus celebrate Diwali, the festival of light.

Arnav (Year 5) had created his own PowerPoint and he told us about how his family celebrate Diwali and why it is such a special celebration. At the end we listened to a really exciting song which was in our heads for the rest of the day!

WANTED

Please may we have any comics or magazines that your child has finished with?

If you are able to help, please bring any donations to the front office.



Christmas Foodbank donations

As we prepare for our Christmas celebrations we would like to continue to work with the Foodbank in Godmanchester which serves our community and supports local families when needed. Cromwell Academy have been asked if they would be happy to donate tinned peas or Christmas puddings to the foodbank for their Christmas hampers. If you are happy to make a donation please bring peas and/or Christmas puddings into school on Friday 24 November 2017 - thank you.



If your family would benefit from a Foodbank voucher please speak with Kim Lague who will be happy to arrange this for you in complete confidence.

Harvest Festival

The Godmanchester Foodbank were thrilled to receive all the food kindly donated by the Cromwell Academy community at Harvest Festival. We are told the food would feed six large families for a week!



Cauliflower Christmas Cards

Online orders must be completed by Thursday 2 November 2017 and all artwork must be returned to school by this date too.



Year 2 Grafham Water Trip 2018

Just a reminder that the £25 deposit for this trip needs to be paid via Parentpay accounts by 31 October 2017.

Upcoming Events:

- 1 November - CAF Halloween Disco
- 3 November - Fire Safety day & Bonfire Lunch
- 10 November - Grandparents in School day
- 17 November - Spotacular - Children in Need
- 23 November - Thanksgiving lunch
- 24 November - CAF Tea/Coffee at 3pm
- 29 November - Year 2 parent/carer lunch

Further events can be found on our website

Term Dates 2017 - 2018

2017

- 23-27 October - Half Term
- 19 December - Autumn Term Closes

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
- 20 July - Summer Term Closes
- 23 and 24 July - Training Days
- 24 July - Training Day

Super Tips

We would like to include a Super Tip section in our monthly Newsletter and we are hoping you will contribute to this. To start us off a staff member has given us the following super tip:

Tie a sharpie type pen to your ironing board so that you can write you child's name on their clothes if it has faded after washing ensuring school clothes are always labelled.

Please send your Super Tips to Kim Lague at klague@cromwellacademy.com - any suggestions used will be done so anonymously. We look forward to hearing from you.