

# Weekly Newsletter

*'Education on another level, where possibilities are endless'*

## Stars of the Big Screen!

This week we welcomed reporter Tasha Kacheri and camera operator Mike Ledward from Granada Reports who were here to film our children and school for a news piece that went out on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October.

For those of you who haven't seen it, the clip can be found by clicking [here](#).

Although the piece is only a few minutes, the filming and behind the scenes takes just a little bit more organising and all the children (and team!) were brilliant! We are incredibly proud of the children, who were all superstars during the filming and interviewing...who knows, this might be a taste of more to come - first step Granada Reports next stop Media City...!



## Play and Pick-up Sessions

Next week we are offering two 'Play and Pick-up' sessions:

- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> for Pre-School – starting at 2.30pm
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> for Reception – starting at 2.30pm

The idea for these sessions is that we welcome you into school and you can play with your child in some of the continuous provision (busy learning) areas that they love the most.

If you are attending, we ask that you please click the year group below and complete the form:

- [Pre-School](#)
- [Reception](#)

This is needed for safeguarding reasons for knowing who is on site, and also allows us to plan space/numbers and to manage expectations of all the children. Due to space, we do need to limit this to one parent per child.

We appreciate that not everyone will be able to attend, so we will look to offer these sessions again, or variations of them (possibly with more specific focus) in Spring and Summer term.

Mrs Thompson, Head of School

## Term Dates for 2025-26

Term dates for the next academic year, September 2025 – August 2026, can now be found on our website by clicking [here](#).

Please make a note of our inset days, which are school specific and half term dates which fall in line with other Manchester schools.

## Attendance

Full attendance at school is critical not only for your child's academic success but also for the personal and social development.

Under new government guidance, fines are typically issued by the Local Authority if a child has an unauthorised absence for 5 days or more. The first time a family incurs a fine it could be up to £160 per parent per child, a second will be at least this figure, and any further instances could result in a criminal conviction.

There are exceptional circumstances in which short term time absences can be authorised but even these should of course be kept to a minimum. Should you need to request an absence, this must be submitted in writing to

[admin@crownstreetsprimary.org.uk](mailto:admin@crownstreetsprimary.org.uk)

## LIBRARY BOOKS

Pre-School visit the Library on a Monday (+Tuesday for those not attending on Monday).

Reception visit the Library on a Friday.

Library books need to be returned before a new one can be taken out. Library books are identified with a Crown Street Primary sticker (blue or orange) on the front or back cover of the book.

## LABELLING ITEMS OF CLOTHING

Please can you ensure that all items of clothing are labelled with your child's name, especially items that may be removed more regularly – like cardigans, jumpers, blazers, coats and ties. Should your child return home with an item of clothing that does not belong to them, we would appreciate you returning this to the Class Teacher and we can make sure it finds its way back to its owner.

## Pre-School Parents Reception 2025 Admissions

Admissions for Reception places for September 2025 are now open. You will need to apply through Manchester City Council – the information can be found by clicking [here](#)

The deadline for applying is **15<sup>th</sup> January 2025**. Please note that having a place at our Pre-School does not guarantee a place for Reception. For more information, please visit the '[Admissions](#)' page on our website.

## Our Assembly this week...

No book this week (which was a surprise to all of Reception!), instead we talked about what being a good role model means and looks like. We talked about our School Rules and shared examples of how we can follow these – we even did some practising during our assembly.

## Tapestry

All children in Pre-School and Reception have a Tapestry account where the Class Teacher uploads observations and highlights of the children's learning weekly.



If you have not activated your account then please email [admin@crowstreetprimary.org.uk](mailto:admin@crowstreetprimary.org.uk) or come into the School Office and Mrs McGowan can help set this up.



### School Rules

**We are respectful**

*Everybody is valued and respected*

**We do our best**

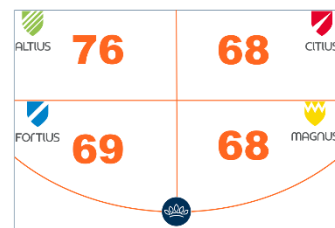
*Everybody takes pride in all that they do*

**We make good choices**

*Everybody reflects on their behaviour and learns how to make good choices*

## House Point Total

Reception started collecting House Points a couple of weeks ago, currently the totals are:



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Oct** - School Tour, 9.30am (repeated weekly)

**Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Play & Pick-up for Pre-School Parents/Carers, 2.30pm

**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Play & Pick-up for Reception Parents/Carers, 2.30pm

**Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Reception Height & Weight (School Nurse)

**Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Last day of term

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Oct** - Inset Day (School closed to pupils)

**Tue 29<sup>th</sup> Oct** - School reopens - first day of term (Autumn 2)

