

# Weekly Newsletter

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

## Winter Performance

Rehearsals for our first EYFS Winter Performance are well underway, and we are excited to welcome in parents and carers to watch our performance.

Pre-School and Reception will be performing together and all children will be involved throughout the whole performance, but each child will have a special part to play within a specific song, and therefore their costume will link to this song.

Information about what costume/s your child will need has been sent home this week via a letter, and has also been posted on Tapestry. If you have any queries about this, please speak to a member of the team.

To support with capacity and logistics of getting you in the building, we are asking that parents book places for the Winter Performance. We are asking that tickets are limited to two per family to ensure that we can accommodate all Pre-School and Reception parents in our hall.

Should you require more tickets, please contact Mrs McGowan at the School Office, these will not be allocated until we have confirmed attendance for each family.

To book your tickets, please click here – [EYFS Winter Performance](#) . Please note, the booking will not go live until Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm.

## A few new faces ...

We are very excited to announce that we have a few new faces in our Crown Street Primary team.

We would like to officially welcome Miss Davies, a Learning Support Assistant based mainly in Reception throughout the school day, she has been with us the last couple of weeks and has really enjoyed getting to know the children.

We also welcome Miss Abby, a Learning Support Assistant based mainly in Pre-School and in our Breakfast Club. Miss Abby only started with us at the beginning of the week, but may be a familiar face to some of you as she used to work at Bright Horizons Nursery.



Mrs Thompson, Head of School



**PTA**

## PTA AGM

This week we held our inaugural Parent Teacher Association Annual General Meeting (PTA AGM) and I am delighted to announce that the Crown Street Primary PTA has now been formed! Drum roll please, your committee are:

**Co-Chairs:** Bisma Latif and Lyndsey Lawrence

**Co-Treasurers:** Diana Cooke and Corinne Lau

**Co-Secretaries:** Joe Philbin and Maricruz Yanagli

And Frankie Coker in a supportive role!

A huge thank you to the above parents, and to all parents/carers that expressed an interest in being involved with our PTA – it really is an invaluable resource for a school.

Another thank you needs to also go to Mrs McGowan, who will be acting as our PTA link and is very excited about working with our committee!

Our newly elected committee are looking forward to getting themselves set up and getting the ball rolling with planning some events and fundraising for the school.

A PTA Newsletter will be shared in the coming weeks with more information about the committee, details about becoming involved with the PTA and the plans for the year ahead.

## PARENT COUNCIL

Now we have got our PTA formed, we would to form our **Parent Council**. The purpose of a **Parent Council** is to provide a constructive forum for sharing feedback about what's gone well, and also any suggestions for what could be even better in the future. Parents and carers should always speak with their teacher regarding specific concerns about their own child as the Parent Council focuses more on whole school/year group aspects of school life. We are looking to establish our Parent Council as soon as we can.

Please express your interest in by emailing [admin@crowstreetprimary.org.uuk](mailto:admin@crowstreetprimary.org.uuk) (with 'Parent Council' in the subject title) or by popping to see Mrs McGowan in our school office.

### Character Award!

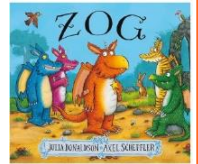
This week's recipients of our Character Award ...



These were awarded for **Curiosity** especially linked to some Maths learning and **Gratitude** especially linked with using manners. Well done to both of you!



### Our Assembly this week ...



This week we read 'Zog' by Julia Donaldson, a firm favourite in many households (including my own!).

I wanted to read this book because I love it and I knew the children would too, but also to explore our character traits.

When I asked RSH which of the character traits it linked to they were quick to say Kindness, as Princess Pearl always helped Zog, and also Bravery, as Zog doesn't run away from the challenges he has. PLMM told me that Zog never gives up because he 'goes off to practice' and this led us to talk about how Zog shows resilience and keeps trying to 'win a golden star'. We talked about and how this is something that is important for us all to do.

### 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.

### Mystery Readers



In last week's Newsletter we extended an invite to all parents/carers to become a 'Mystery Reader'.

If you are interested please register your interest by completing our **Mystery Reader form** by Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

For more details – please read last week's Newsletter - **Issue 10**



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Parent Tours, 9.30am – repeated weekly
- Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Visit from Beth – Castlefield Viaduct (National Trust)
- Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Flu Vaccinations for Reception
- Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Dec** – Winter Performance, 9.30am start\*
- Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec** – School Closes for Christmas Holidays
- Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025** – Inset Day (School closed to pupils)
- Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025** – School reopens – first day of term (Spring 1)

*\*For the Winter Performance any Pre-School children who do not attend on a Thursday will be invited in to take part in the performance*

