

Weekly Newsletter

'Education on another level, where possibilities are endless'

Welcome Back!

A very warm (albeit it actually very cold with a dusting of snow!) welcome back and a Happy New Year to you all. We hope you all had a wonderful winter break and that your children have enjoyed being back at school this week.

We are all excited to begin our second term at Crown Street Primary!

Spring term brings a new curriculum bookshelf for each of our classes as well as some exciting learning opportunities. More information about our bookshelves and the learning overviews for Spring term can be found on our year group pages here:

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

Mystery Readers

Due to the success of last term's Mystery Readers, we are offering the invite to parents/carers again this term. This is a wonderful, fun and interactive opportunity to engage with your child's reading journey, be that reading role-model and help foster a love for books. As a Mystery Reader, you'll surprise the class by reading aloud a loved story of yours from home to the whole class in the classroom.

We are planning to run our Mystery Reader sessions from Wednesday 22nd January until the end of term at 2.45pm in both our Pre-School and Reception classes. If you are interested in joining us, please complete our [Mystery Reader form](#) by **9am on Monday 20th January** and select the sessions you are available. If we are lucky enough to have a large number of volunteers, we will select names at random and then get in touch to confirm.

Mrs Thompson, Head of School

Invitation to Parents/Carers - Lunar New Year (29th January 2025)

The Lunar New Year celebration is approaching, this is a celebration we will be discussing in both Pre-School and Reception. We would like to invite parents or families into the classroom to talk about Lunar New Year and potentially show some pictures or objects relating to the celebration. It would be lovely to share common traditions and experiences to the children within our classrooms. Please let Mrs McGowan know via email, in person or phone call if this is something you may be interested in.



- ORDERING LUNCHES

If your child is having a school lunch, then please make sure you order it in advance. These choices need to be done before 8am on the day, however you can make the lunch selections in advance – whether that a week in advance or for the whole term.

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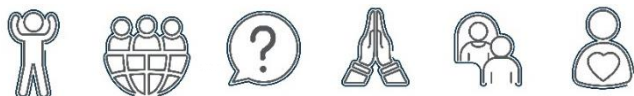
All children in Pre-School and Reception have a Tapestry account where the Class Teacher uploads observations and highlights of the children's learning weekly.

If you have not activated/accessed your account then please email admin@crowstreetprimary.org.uk or come into the School Office and Mrs McGowan can help set this up for you.



Assembly this week

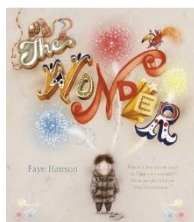
This week in our assembly, RSH were challenged to see if they could remember our three school rules and our six-character traits - and they did very well!



The children were keen to share examples of how they had followed the school rules since being back at school. Some examples were:

- being kind to new friends and making sure they know where everything is (*being respectful*)
- listening to the grown-ups (*making good choice*)
- showing that I have been practising my writing (*trying my best*)

We then read a book (of course we did) 'The Wonder' by Faye Hanson, a story all about a boy whose head is always full of wonder and imagination. We used this story to talk about being curious about the world around us and letting our imagination free! We talked about how our imagination may lead us to think different things and be creative. We also talked about how we should be brave to follow our ideas. Not sure if it is a coincidence or not, but the 'Creative Station' in RSH has been very busy this week! So hopefully lots of children following their own wonder and imagination!



Final Call for Pre-School Parents: Reception 2025 Admissions

Final call for admissions for Reception places for September 2025. The deadline for applying is **Wednesday 15th January 2025**.

You will need to apply through Manchester City Council – the information can be found by clicking [here](#)

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.

Pre-School Admissions for September 2025

Applications for our Pre-School for a September 2025 start are open until 7th March 2025.

All information about admissions for our Pre-School can be found by clicking [here](#)



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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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY FOR SPRING 2025

Mon 6th Jan – Inset Day (School closed to pupils)

Tues 7th Jan – School reopens – first day of term (Spring 1)

Weds 15th Jan – Reception Admissions Deadline (for Sept 2025)

Mon 20th Jan – Mystery Reader deadline

Weds 22nd Jan – Mystery Readers begin

Weds 29th Jan – Lunar New Year

Mon 3rd Feb – Start of Children's Mental Health Week

Weds 5th Feb – World Read Aloud Day

Tues 11th Feb – Safer Internet Day

Tues 11th Feb – Play & Pick-up for Pre-School Parents/Carers*

Thurs 13th Feb – Play & Pick-up for Reception Parents/Carers*

Fri 14th Feb – Last day of half-term

Mon 24th Feb – School reopens - first day of Spring 2



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