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Weekly Newsletter



'Education on another level, where possibilities are endless'

Spring Term Chapter = done 🗸

I've blinked and here we are again, at the end of another term at Crown Street Primary. I cannot believe how quickly our first year is flying by. We have now completed two thirds of our first year!

This term has been a busy one filled with ... new curriculum bookshelves, an educational visit off site, art workshops with Manchester's Little Artists, another workshop with Olivia and the National Trust, World Book Day, pet potatoes, growing cress seeds, Spring Play and Pick-up, Mystery Readers, presentations from parents and learning about different jobs within Science and different religious celebrations, Parents' Evening, our PTA beginning their fund raising journey, lots and lots of Busy Learning, lots and lots of stories and sharing books and finally, our Spring Sing performance – what a way to end the term!

Thank you to all of you who came to watch our (first ever!) Spring Sing Performance. We are all immensely proud of all our children – they have all shown incredible bravery to stand up on that stage and perform with such confidence – they have been brilliant at learning all the songs, and will happily continue to share 'Spring Chicken' with you at home should you wish to learn the words and/or actions! You are welcome!

We are excited to see what is to come in our Summer term, but until then as always thank you to the Crown Street Primary team who really are amazing, to all our parent community who continue to support us and most importantly all our wonderful children who have continued to embrace everything we offer them and have continued to grow and mature into the wonderful little people they are!

From myself and the team, we all hope you have a wonderful break - fingers crossed we get to keep a bit of this weather - and we will see you all back on **Wednesday 23rd April**.

School-Based Nursery Capital Grant

You may remember back in December, we mentioned that we were in the early stages of exploring whether we could expand our Pre-School provision in the future and we sent out a survey to gather feedback. Following this, we submitted a bid for a Department for Education Capital Grant and I am pleased to announce that we have found out this week that this has been successful!

This capital grant will allow us to reconfigure our internal space to offer additional Pre-School places, giving more Pre-School aged children the opportunity to join our Crown Street Primary family and be provided with 'education on another level, where possibilities are endless'.

While we don't have many more details to share at this time, we wanted to inform our parent community ahead of this being picked up and reported by local media outlets. We look forward to sharing more information over the coming months.

Warmer weather

This week we seem to have been experiencing a bit of sun and some warmer weather, and as we head into Summer term we may experience more (we can be hopeful, even if this is Manchester!).

With this in mind, please can we ask that parents apply sun cream to children before the school day and provide suitable sun hats (labelled) for your children to wear during the school day. Your child can also bring in sun cream (labelled) to reapply themselves under adult supervision.

Please can we ask that before sending any sun cream in with your child that you check that the ingredients/formula does not contain almond oil (or any other nut-oil) as we are a nut-free school.

Character Award!

The recipients of our Character Award for this week are



These were both awarded for **Curiosity** for taking a keen interest in Spring term learning and for trying new learning within the classroom. Well done!





Birthday Books

We have had another donation of a 'Birthday Book' ahead of an April birthday in the holidays. We really appreciate these donations and know they will be well-read and well-loved by all. Happy Birthday!



Just a gentle reminder that school finishes at 3.15pm. Please ensure you are here on time to ensure a smooth and safe pick-up for all children. If you have any problems with pick-up, then please call the School Office before the end of the school day to inform us.



After-School Club Pick-up

After-School Club ends at 5.30pm, so please ensure you are here on time to pick up your child.

The staff team finish at this time and our school is then closed and locked so it is important this all runs to time. Please note that there is a late collection charge should you be late collecting your child. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Assembly and Storytime

Our assemblies over the last few weeks have focused on our School Rules. The children were asked if they could remember the good choices we can make within the classroom – and they did! We then shared examples of some of the good choices that they have been making. We then talked about how the grown-ups are here to teach us and help us learn, but the only person who can make good choices are ourselves and if we can all do that, then we can have a happy classroom and happy school.

We also spoke about how our school rules apply to other spaces, not just the classroom – like in the toilet area, outside area,



in the hall and the roof playground.

Storytime this week

As we didn't have a story during assembly, I made sure I still got a chance to read to the children. This



week we read 'People Need People' by Benjamin Zephaniah. This is a familiar book to some as it was a book on our Autumn Reception bookshelf and was then gifted to all our Reception children from Manchester City Council. This is an incredibly beautiful book which talks of the power of kindness and citizenship.

PTA UPDATE



A huge thank you to the PTA (and the volunteers that were roped in!) for providing some light refreshments at our Spring Sing performance and for organising the pre-loved book sale. Thank you to all who bought/donated – all funds are greatly appreciated! We look forward to meeting with the PTA to discuss plans for the Summer term – more information to come...!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

 $Fri \ 4^{th} \ April \ -$ last day of term

Tues 22nd April – Inset day – school not open to pupils

Weds 23rd April – Start of Summer term – school open to pupils

Mon 5th May – Bank Holiday – school closed

For term dates for 2024-2025 and 2025-2026, please visit our 'Term Dates' page on our website



Easter Holidays

Please find some links below that may be useful in finding different things that are happening across the city over the Easter holidays (just click the white text below). We have also included a 'Places where kids eat free/or for £1' poster, which may be of use. We just recommend checking ahead of visiting any places and/or restaurants that these deals are available to you. Please feel free to update your Tapestry platform with anything you do get up to over the break!

ACTIVITIES FOR OVER THE EASTER HOLIDAYS

- <u>RHS Garden Bridgewater</u> a giant Easter Egg hunt promises to be egg-citing!
- <u>Z-arts</u> their new 'Adventures in Wonderland' play experience is opening just in time for the holidays!
- Science and Industry Museum Spring Holidays programme
- Loads to Do Manchester this site includes information/links of 'loads' of things including free swimming, free events at Central Library and events at museums around the city
- Visit Manchester Find out what's on this Easter in Manchester
- <u>National Trust Bloomtown Blossom Trail</u>

PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) EASTER HOLIDAYS 2025

moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

BURGER KING

From Monday 7th - Sunday 20th April 2025, Kids Eat Free with every adult meal, via the app.

BILLS

Kids eat free Mondays - Fridays, from Monday 7th - Friday 25th April 2025.

FARMHOUSE INNS

2 kids eat FREE with one paying adult, Monday 7th - Friday 25th of April. Sign Up Required

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

ZIZZI

Sunday 6th - Sunday 27th April 2025 kids eat free with every adult main. (excludes Saturdays)

CAFE EIGHTY NINE @ THE RANGE Kids eat free Sat 5th April - Mon 21st April 2025

YO! SUSHI

Kids eat free all day (monday - friday) during all school holidays, when dining with an adult

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids eat for £1.

Kids eat for £1 every, with no adult spend.

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE 2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

PREZZO

Kids receive a free, 3 course kids meal, everyday at Prezzo between 31st March - 27th April 2025

COCONUT TREE

One child (under 10) eats free every day, 12pm -6pm from Monday 7th – Sunday 27th April 2025

PIZZA HUT

Kids eat free buffet from Monday 7th - Sunday 27th April, until 3pm daily with a £10 spend

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

BELLA ITALIA Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Sun to Weds. All Day Thursdays

MORRISONS

Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

Kids under 12 eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App

2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

HUNGRY HORSE Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

THE REAL GREEK Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

SA BRAINS PUBS Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

FUTURE INNS from 11am Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal. Copyright of MONEY SAVING CENTRAL