



Crowmarsh Gifford C.E. Primary School

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Week 10

Term 2

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Purple Learning and Growth Mindset

In last week's newsletter, you were given suggestions about ways to praise your children. Research suggests that parents should think twice about praising our kids for being 'smart' or 'talented', because this may foster a fixed mindset. Instead, if we encourage our kids' efforts and acknowledge their persistence and hard work, then we will support their development of a growth mindset. Children with a growth mindset believe that with effort and persistence they can learn and achieve in school. A growth mindset will better equip them to persevere and pick themselves up when things do not go their way. Parents should also examine their own belief systems. Do you have a growth mindset? Do you believe that with effort, persistence and motivation your children can achieve their goals? Dr. Carol Dweck, an educational researcher states,

Open Afternoon

Our next short open afternoon will be on Wednesday November 29th from 3:15 until 3:45. Please come and see your children's progress in their books and what they have been up to recently. As this is a shorter open afternoon, this will not be a good time to catch the teacher. Our next long open afternoon is on Wednesday December 6th from 3.15 to 5.00pm.

Children in Need

We apologise for the short notice this week, but the children in school council have asked if we could wear Onesies or Pyjamas for Children in Need on Friday for £1. Wear your ears and/or spots

"Parents should not shield their children from challenges, mistakes and struggles. Instead, parents should teach children to love challenges. They can say things like, "This is hard. What fun!" or "This is too easy. It's no fun." They should teach their children to embrace mistakes, "Ooh, here's an interesting mistake. What should we do next?" And they should teach them to love effort: "That was a fantastic struggle. You really stuck to it and made great progress" or "This will take a lot of effort, - boy, will it be fun." Some parents need to work at having a growth mindset. It takes time and practice, but it is well worth it when you see the difference that it makes in your children!

to show your support! Also, they would like to have a bake sale after school, so they have asked if parents would be so kind as to donate some cakes. Thank you for your support.

Pupil Progress Updates

Most of you have now attended our most recent round of children's progress update meetings. Please see the attached letter for more information surrounding your child's progress. Please can you fill in our survey if you have attended one of these meetings? Thank you.
<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/7BK8NF2>

How did Alan
Campbell's story
inspire you?
How have you shown
determination and
commitment?

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Grandparents Week!

Monday: Run Club 8:00

Tuesday: Multi-skills to 4:15
Family Learning 9:30

Wednesday: Football to 4:15

Thursday:
Basketball to 4:15
Choir to 4:00

Friday: No Clubs



A DREAM DOESN'T BECOME REALITY
THROUGH MAGIC; IT TAKES SWEAT
DETERMINATION AND HARD WORK

SuccessStory.com

Advent Calendars!

Come and get your Advent Calendar! They are made by the Meaningful Chocolate Company and come with an illustrated copy of The Christmas Story to be told as you open each window. Come and purchase one for yourself or even as a present. £5 each from the school office.

Family Learning at Crowmarsh

Keeping up with your Children

Maths started on Tuesday 7th November at 9.30-11.30am for 5 weeks assisting Parents and Carers in helping your children to have that little bit of extra support, whilst having a greater understanding of your child's homework. Find out about our school approach to making Maths fun and interesting. All Welcome!

To register an interest and for further information please contact our Home School Link Worker, Jackie Napier-Jones: T. 07375 457 512 Email. jnap5834@crowmarsh-gifford.oxon.sch.uk

Grandparents' Week

We would like to invite all grandparents back into school to join us for our annual grandparents' week during the week beginning November 20th. We hope as many as possible are able to join us. Grandparents are welcome to come to school from 2:00 on the afternoon that is dedicated to the house group your grandchildren are in. The dates are as follows:
Victorians – Tuesday 21st
Edwardians – Wednesday 22nd
Tudors – Thursday 23rd
Georgians – Friday 24th
We look forward to seeing you then!

Purple Learning underpins all learning here at Crowmarsh – in essence it is about teaching children 'how to learn' and the science of metacognition. Research states that teaching children how to learn raises standards of achievement and attainment and develops pupils who are 'learning goal-oriented'. Research further highlights that these pupils are more likely to be high achievers as they are more likely to engage in activities that are challenging.

Christmas Reading Morning

Don't forget to join us for our Christmas Reading Morning at 8:00a.m on Wednesday the 13th for a cosy Christmas start to the school day!

Service at Christmas

This year the PTA would like to receive donations of toiletries from each class to include in bags for the homeless. Please see the information from the PTA in regards to this. All donations should be brought into school.

Also, as always, we are asking for donations of wrapped biscuits/chocolates, etc, for the senior citizens in Crowmarsh. These will be hand delivered by our children to remind them that we are always thinking of them. Again, please bring these to the school office. Thank you for your support.

Second Hand Uniform Sale

Mrs Lofthouse has kindly sorted out the second hand uniform and will be running a sale on Monday 20th November from 3 – 3.45pm. Please come along and have a look. We only ask for £1 per item in aid of PTA funds.

PTA News

Crowmarsh School is organizing a clothes and shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for the PTA on Thursday 30th November. Please bring your bags to the grassy area in front of the school gates on Thursday 30th November between 8 and 9am. Bags have been given out and more bags can be collected from reception. Please start sorting now and see details on the bag for accepted items. Any questions please contact Sarah Lowe (Child in Year 2 and 5). Email: s.lowe@cabi.org.

Thames Run Committee

The Thames Run Committee raises much needed funds for the school and one other local charity. If you'd like to support the event on Sunday May 20th, we'd really appreciate your support.

Governors' Email

Parents wishing to contact the school governors may email them at 1gov5937@crowmarsh-gifford.oxon.sch.uk

Your headteacher Mrs Barton and the team at Crowmarsh Gifford CE Primary School.

Pre-School News

Crowmarsh Pre School is looking for a Part Time Administrator to join our small and friendly team. The role is 6 hours per week (spread across at least 3 days), term time only. For a full job description and to apply please visit www.crowmarshpre-school.org.uk

Church News

A service at St Mary Magdalene which may be of particular interest to families is:

Sunday 26th November at 11.00
Family Communion.