



# Crowmarsh Gifford C.E. Primary School

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Week 3

Term 3

January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018

## **Pearson Teaching Awards...**

The Teaching Awards recognise and celebrate the outstanding work of exceptional teachers across the UK. Finalists are selected by a panel of judges for a Silver Teaching Award, which are announced on 'Thank a Teacher' day each year. All Silver Award winners are then considered for a Gold Award. These are announced at the glittering Pearson Teaching Awards UK Ceremony, which will take place in London in October 2018 and will be filmed and broadcast on BBC2. Please visit: <http://teachingawards.com/thank-a-teacher/> We know an amazing teacher makes all the difference at school. A thank you card shows how much you appreciate their hard work and dedication. Say "thank you" to an

## **Open Afternoon**

Just to let you know that the first long open afternoon for this term is on Wednesday January 31<sup>st</sup> from 3:15 until 5:00. This is a chance to see your children's books, ask focused learning questions and discuss anything with the class teacher. We hope that you will be able to join us. Further, for your diaries, we will be having our next parent/child consultations during the week of February 26<sup>th</sup>. We hope that making these conversations sooner, we will be able to keep parents fully involved with the progress their children are making and how to help at home. It was clear from parent feedback that the style we adopted was clearly a positive change, so we will keep it similar again this time. On March 7<sup>th</sup> we will have another short open afternoon for parents to see their children's

amazing teacher and we (Pearson) will send them a lovely card through the post, with your personal message, for free. Anyone can send a card; children, students, parents, grandparents and colleagues can all say thank you to a teacher, teaching assistant, or team. Every "thank you" received before Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March becomes a nomination for a 2018 national Teaching Award, and they are all sent to the teacher's headteacher, deputy or principal for further endorsement. (From Pearson Teaching Awards Website)

books until 3:45 with a final long afternoon on Wednesday March 28<sup>th</sup> until 5:00 to finish the term.

## **Maths at Crowmarsh**

Don't forget to come and hear Steve Lomax discuss effective teaching of maths at Crowmarsh. Come and further understand how to support you children at home with our calculation policy. Come along on Wednesday February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 in the hall.

## **Valentines Reading Morning**

Don't forget our next reading morning on Wednesday February 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m in the hall. Come and join your children reading with coffee and cakes!

**What does  
determination look  
like in your learning?  
When have you been  
determined to get  
something done?**

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**Monday: Run Club 8:00**

**Tuesday: Multi-skills to 4:15**

**Wednesday: Football to 4:15**

**Thursday:**

**Basketball to 4:15**

**Choir to 4:15**

**Friday: No Clubs**

**LIFE  
BEGINS  
AT  
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END  
OF  
YOUR  
COMFORT  
ZONE.**

-NEALE DONALD WALSCH-

### ***Piano Lessons?***

Are you interested in your child having piano lessons during school time? If so, please can you contact the office as we have a highly recommended teacher ready to begin lessons soon.

### ***#Be Phenomenal***

Attached to this newsletter is a #BePhenomenal template. Use this to share anything that your child does outside of school – something they have had to try really hard to achieve, maybe where they demonstrated resilience, perseverance and kept on going even through mistake after mistake. We love to share all of your child's achievements.

### ***Governors' Email***

Parents wishing to contact the school governors may email them at [1gov5937@crowmarsh-gifford.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:1gov5937@crowmarsh-gifford.oxon.sch.uk)

### ***PTA News***

#### Disco for pupils

The PTA are organizing a disco for pupils on Thursday 8th February run by 'Fizzical Disco'. There will be a session for Reception and KS1 from 17.30 until 18.30 and for KS2 from 18.30 until 19.45pm. Entry will cost £3 per child to include refreshments. Please complete the attached slip if your child would like to attend.

#### Table Top Sale

The PTA are running a Table Top Sale on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March from 1 – 4pm. Tables will cost £5 each (£6 for non Crowmarsh pupils). To book a table, please put your money in a named envelope and give to Lyndsey Webb directly or via the office.

In your child's writing books, you may see very little, if any teacher marking. In class, we encourage verbal feedback and have feedback groups where children are taught how to give and receive feedback. Through the research we have been doing across school over the last few years, we know that the impact of verbal feedback (when done effectively) has a massive impact on children's learning and progress. Ask your child about the feedback they receive on their writing? How do they know how to improve their writing? How do they know if a piece is significantly different to another?

### ***Sports News***

#### Social Netball for Adults

Mrs Hermsen is organizing some social netball sessions at the netball courts at Crowmarsh recreation ground on Wednesday evenings between 8 and 9pm, starting on 31<sup>st</sup> January. If you are interested, please contact Mrs Hermsen on 07765 00 7972 or email her on [flickhermsen@hotmail.com](mailto:flickhermsen@hotmail.com)

#### Basketball Club

Basketball Club is running on Thursdays for KS2 pupils, starting on 18<sup>th</sup> January and finishing on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Please ask at the school office for a form if your child would like to participate. There are still places available. Cost £3 per session.

### ***Church News***

There will be a Family Communion service on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 11am.

**FIZZICAL DISCO THURSDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**

Name of Child ..... Class.....

I am happy for my child(ren) to attend the Disco on 8<sup>th</sup> February and enclose £3.00 per child for refreshments.

Signature of Parent .....