## **Mrs Bennett's Blog**

## Thursday 21st of July 2022

Hi Everyone,



Thank goodness for some cooler air today, it has been insanely hot! Many thanks for working with us to keep everyone safe whilst school has felt hotter than the sun!

Last week saw our first annual Rose day in two years and what a super day it was! It was very emotional seeing everyone back on the playground cheering their children on and enjoying the super star performances! The evening was fab with so many people popping in. It was especially lovely to welcome back some of our children who missed Rose Day over the past two years to see how they are getting on and see how much they have missed us. We raised a staggering £6675.22!!!! Which is just record breaking! Amazing job, well done by our superb PTA! We will be making plans in the new academic year for how we want to use the money to further improve our school for our children.

## Message from Friends of Crossflatts:

Friends of Crossflatts Primary School (PTA) made an incredible £6675.22. from the Rose Day Evening event. We have never made this much profit before at an event and are going to be able to add an extra £500 from an employee's matched funding initiative through their place of work.

Thank you to those who donated items for our stalls and raffle, helped to organise and prepare for the day. Thank you to those who on the day helped to set up and tidy away and to those who helped out on the stalls. Thank you to all who attended and supported the event. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!

All the money raised will go towards making Crossflatts School a plastic free site and more information on this will be sent next academic year

Thank you again for all your support and if anyone has any ideas how to make Rose Day even better please email them to friends@crossflatts.bradford.sch.uk

The Friends of Crossflatts Primary School will be holding their Annual General Meeting on Friday 9th September at 9.30am. For further details please use the email above'

On Tuesday next week, we say a fond farewell to our Year 6. These children have travelled a phenomenal distance over their time with us here, achieving greatly both academically and personally. They leave us as wonderful young people ready for the next chapter in their lives. I would like on behalf of all the staff, to wish them the very best of luck with their next steps and they know they are always very welcome at Crossflatts Primary School.

We will also be wishing Mrs Brewis well when she leaves with Year 6 next week as she has very recently last week secured the position of school librarian at a local high school! Whilst we are sad to bid her farewell we are so delighted that Mrs Brewis has been able to fulfil a life time ambition and go pursue her dream career! Lots of luck Mrs Brewis- we shall miss you!

Thank you for sending all of the annual report slips back this week with so many lovely comments, they really do mean a lot to all of the staff here at school.

Our children enjoyed meeting their new teachers this week with our shuffle up day and our meet the teacher event after school yesterday was lovely for everyone to meet their new teachers all ready for September!

After much consideration and consultation with our families, we are going to be continuing with the current drop off and pick up arrangements that we have followed all year when we return in September. This system works so much better for school primarily as the children arrive in a much calmer state of mind ready to begin their learning, it ensures our safeguarding procedures for hand over are extremely robust and it significantly reduces the parking congestion. Please see the time table below...

	Entrance / Exit	Start / End Time
Nursery	Nursery top gate	9.00am - 3.00pm
Reception	Front Gate	8:50am – 3.20pm
Year 1	Front Gate	8.45am – 3.15pm
Year 2	Front Gate	8.30am – 3.00pm
Year 3	Bridge Entrance	8.45am – 3.15pm
Year 4	Bridge Entrance	8.30am – 3.00pm
Year 5	KS2 Entrance	8.45am – 3.15pm
Year 6	KS2 Entrance	8.30am – 3.00pm

As I end my final blog of the year, I have reflected over the past year and how hugely successful it has been with so much has been achieved throughout the year. The children have all made excellent progress over the course of the year, although the individual personal journey each child has made is perhaps even more profound. Over the past 190 days, I have observed each child, be they a little Owl in our Nursery or one walking around in a Leaver's Hoodie, in 40 degree heat this week, at some point dig deep inside themselves to overcome a challenge in their path. Watching them develop their sense of determination, resilience and sheer grit has been a privilege. I couldn't be prouder of the well-rounded children who begin their summer holidays next Tuesday with a real sense of self-worth and power of character.

On a personal note, I would like to say a huge heartfelt thank you to all the children, staff and parents for their endless positive energy, belief and sheer hard work over the last year. Crossflatts Primary School is a family and without each and every one of you, it wouldn't be the magical place it is very much look forward to the next chapter in September and our next adventure which awaits us. I hope everyone has a fantastic summer with lots of fun, laughter and well-earned relaxation.

Have a wonderful summer everyone and I will see you all on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> of September!

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