Mrs Bennett's Blog

Thursday 17th November 2022

Hi Everyone,

The weather has been so mild to say we are well into November now. However the forecast is to turn colder over the coming days. Please ensure you send your child with a named coat, hat, gloves so they can keep toasty when they are out and about in our school grounds.

This week, we have been thinking about what makes a good friend and we have talked about what bullying is. We have reminded the children of the definition of bullying-

Bullying is something that can hurt you on the inside or on the outside. It hurts you on the outside by hitting you and hurting you physically. It hurts you on the inside by name calling or hurting your feelings. Bullying is done on purpose, it is not an accident. If someone hurts you during a game by accident that is not bullying, but if every time you played a game they hurt you, or your feelings that would be bullying. It can aim to hurt a group of people or just one person and can be done by a group or just one person. **Bullying happens more than once. The bully/bullies do it over and over and over again** and is not a falling out with a friend. It can take place on line, via social media, via text message or in person. Almost everyone will be affected by bullying during their life. This can be as a child or as a young person or it can happen as an adult in the work place or by a member of a community, it can even be as an elderly person in the community and nobody deserves to be bullied. EVER.

We have a zero tolerance of bullying at Crossflatts Primary School and our children are very clear as to what they should do if they were ever to feel they were being bullied in any way. If as a parent or carer, you should ever have any concern that your child is being bullied, which is a very rare instance at Crossflatts Primary School, it is vitally important that you come into school and talk to us so that we can firstly be made aware of the situation and then act swiftly to make it stop. Full stop.



In my assembly on Monday we talked about the acronym STOP:

Bullying is

Several Times on Purpose

And we

Start Telling Other People





helps and soon adds up.

Tomorrow, Friday 18th of November, we will be celebrating Children in Need in school. This year the theme is 'Show your spots.' The children are invited to come to school doing exactly that wearing anything spotty! Anything goes. Please do not spend any money on outfits and please just donate what you can afford, every little

As you will be very aware, the cost of everything is increasing, in order to continue to provide the current service in our Breakfast club and after school care club we are going to be introducing a small price increase from January 1st 2023. Breakfast club will increase by £1 to £5 per day and after school club will also increase by £1 to £12 in order to absorb the cost increases we are also working hard to manage in school.

Friends of Crossflatts:

We would like to thank those who attended our coffee morning last Friday. It was well attended, and it was lovely to meet and welcome our new volunteers. For those who couldn't attend if you would like more info on who we are and what we do please email friends@crossflatts.bradford.sch.uk.

We have now started planning for the Christmas Fair on Friday 9th December 3-6pm. We are asking for donations of new but unwanted bottles, toys and gifts and also to reduce waste and encourage recycling we would love any clean, good quality, toys and books and uniform. All donations greatly received by Thursday 1st December. The Christmas Fair hasn't been held since 2019 so we are really looking forward to hosting this event again. Look out for more details of stalls over the coming weeks.

Christmas Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 6th of December- 9.30am Years 2 & 3 Carol Concert

Wednesday 7th of December 1.30pm- Years 2 & 3 Carol Concert

Friday 9th of December 1.30pm- Christmas Sparkle & Friends of Crossflatts Christmas Fayre.

Thursday 15th of December 9.30am & 1.30pm –Reception & Year 1 Nativity

Friday 16th of December 9.30am-Reception & Year 1 Nativity

Here is an update from Friends of Crossflatts Primary School:

Attendance:

Here are last week's figures:

Our The national Reception Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6 Aspirational target Target 96.% 98% 96.4% 96.9% 95.6% 97.4% 97.6% 98.0% 96.3%

Whole School: 96.6%

Have a great week ahead everyone. Mrs Bennett

Headteacher