



NEWSLETTER 3

MONDAY 24th SEPTEMBER 2018

Dear Crescent Community,

PARENT FEEDBACK

Our last three annual Parent Questionnaires have been very positive for our school with very high percentages of parents believing that their child is happy to come to school, is well looked after, and is safe. During this week's Ofsted Inspection, all parents were sent the following link to Ofsted's Parent View website, where you could express your views about the school.

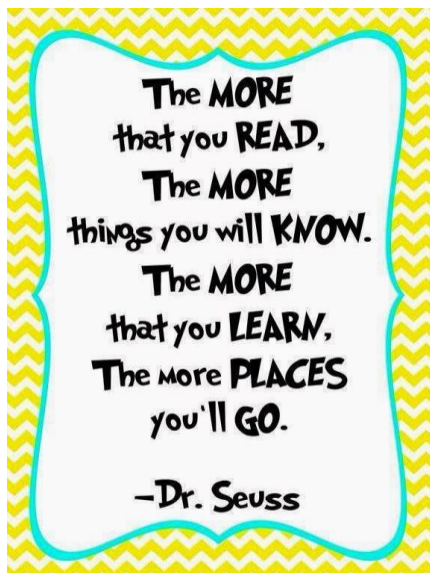
<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views>

It was saddening and came somewhat as a shock to us that we received just 41 responses to the survey, a proportion of which were not as positive towards us as we were expecting.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO SHARE YOUR VIEWS

The website is always live, so if you have not yet expressed your views, please do so now to ensure we have a larger number of reviews that adequately reflect the views of our whole school community.

Senior Leaders are always available at the start and end of the day for you, should you feel that you have any concerns that you would like help with.



READING EXPECTATIONS

Reading is fundamental to learning, and together we need children to read as much as possible.

1. We expect children to read each night and bring their book bags into school, with a Reading Record filled out explaining how yesterday's reading went.
2. In return, an adult in school will write back once each week in the Reading Record, explaining how your child's reading is going in school.
3. Children swap their own books! Our little ones in Reception and Year 1 are given lots of friendly reminders and support, with the emphasis being that children need to choose a new book independently that they are interested in.

Therefore, if children come home and they have not changed their books, please encourage them to remember!

RECEPTION PARENTS – TAPESTRY OBSERVATIONS GO LIVE THIS WEEK!

This week, the new Tapestry online learning journal goes live to parents, meaning that parents/carers of children in Reception will be able to see the first observation(s) of their child learning at school. Look out for the link in your email inbox. If you do not receive a link by Wednesday, please speak with your child class teacher to ensure we have your correct details, and email address. Observations will be continually updated throughout the year, usually with a minimum of one observation per week.



YEAR 6 –KINGSWOOD TRIP

This Wednesday 26th September 2018 the year 6's will be going on their residential trip to Kingswood for 3 days. On Wednesday 26th



September 2018, please arrive at the Crescent at 8:40am, on arrival enter through the doors by the school hall. Inside, your child should find their group leader. This is also an opportunity to hand over a maximum of £5 souvenir money (optional) and any medication (also clearly labelled with any necessary instructions).

Your child will need to be able to carry their suitcase themselves and this will then remain on the coach until we reach the accommodation at the Kingswood centre.

Your child should have their own rucksack. This should hold any items they require for the journey and a packed lunch for that day (in a plastic bag), including a refillable drinks bottle. Chocolates, sweets or fizzy drinks must not be included. If you are enclosing letters for your child to open while away, then we suggest that you also give these to your child's group leader on the morning of departure. If your child has had any history of travel sickness, please ensure that they have taken the necessary medication before we set off. They are also likely to require further medication for the journey home. This medication should also be given to your child's group leader. If your child suffers from hay fever, please ensure they have enough medication for the 3 days. This medication should also be given to your child's group leader.

YEAR 6 ACTIVITY DAY

We have planned exciting activities for the children who are not going to Kingswood.

- On Wednesday 26th September they will be having a Sports day and a picnic at Crystal Palace Park. They will be travelling by bus. Your child will need to wear sports clothes for the day (joggers, sweatshirt, t-shirt, trainers and a light waterproof jacket)
- On Thursday 27th September 2018 they will be going to the Science Museum in South Kensington. They will be travelling by train and tube. Your child can wear their own clothes.
- On Friday 28th September 2018 they will be going to Chessington World of Adventures. Your child needs to arrive at 8:15am. They will be travelling by coach. They are estimated back to school around 4:00pm – 4:30pm. Your child can wear their own clothes.

The children will need to come to school with a packed lunch for each day. Please including at least two drinks (one bottle of water and no fizzy drinks).



FRIENDS OF THE CRESCENT MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – CAKE DONATIONS PLEASE!

This Friday's Coffee Morning is a special one and we expect a large number of parents and carers, since it is the annual Macmillan Coffee Morning. We kindly ask for cake donations to be handed into the school office by Thursday 27th September 2018. All proceeds on Friday go to Macmillan.

BOOK SWAP & TOY EXCHANGE THIS FRIDAY!

Do you have good quality books or toys that you no longer require? Would you like to swap them for a different book or toy, free of charge? If so, join us for the latest BOOK SWAP & TOY EXCHANGE at 3pm on Friday 28th September in the playground. The last book swap was very popular so please join us again this Friday!



Have a great week,
Gary Heath & Bernice Warwick

This weeks 'Year Groups in Focus' is Year 4...

Year 4 are Potion Masters

Year four have been consumed with curiosity after a treasure trail was left around the school leading to a mysterious potion bottle and a label that said "Drink Me!". We've fallen into the mysterious world of Alice in Wonderland and Potion masters.



We thought about what we might notice in potions and bubbles were one of the first things we thought of.



We were entranced by bubbles and what filled them. We spent some time in class experimenting with bubbles and try to make bubbles of different size and shapes. We came to the conclusion that all bubbles must be filled with gas.



Finally, we have been comparing solids, liquids and gases. We've even pretended to be the particles within different states of matter. We have researched and presented our findings in class.

Solids, Liquids, and Gases



STARS OF THE WEEK



Year 1 & 2



Year 3 & 4



Year 5 & 6

VALUE STARS



Year 1 & 2



Year 3 & 4



Year 5 & 6

KEY DATES FOR THE AUTUMN TERM 2018

Tuesday 25 th September	12:00pm	Chocolate Factory swimming lesson
Wednesday 26 th September	8:40am 8:40am 12:00pm	Y6-Kingswood Trip Y6-Sports and a picnic at Crystal Palace Park Marvellous Medicine swimming lesson
Thursday 27 th September	8:40am	Y6-Science Museum in South Kensington
Friday 28 th September	8:50am 8:15am- 4:00/4:30pm 3:00pm	Macmillan Coffee Morning – All cake donations to the office Y6-Chessington World of Adventures Y6-Return from Kingswood Trip Book Swap on the playground
Tuesday 2 nd October	12:00pm	Chocolate Factory swimming lesson
Wednesday 3 rd October	9:30am 12:00pm 2:00pm	New Reception 2019 Parents Opening Morning Marvellous Medicine swimming lesson New Reception 2019 Parents Opening Afternoon
Tuesday 9 th October	12:00pm 3:30pm – 6:30pm	Chocolate Factory swimming lesson Parents Evening
Wednesday 10 th October	All day 12:00pm	Walk to school day Year 6 Height and weight check Marvellous Medicine swimming lesson
Thursday 11 th October	All day 3:30pm – 6:00pm	Year 6 Height and weight check Parents Evening
Monday 15 th October	3:00pm - 3:45pm	Open classrooms (All Years)
Tuesday 16 th October	12:00pm	Chocolate Factory swimming lesson
Wednesday 17 th October	12:00pm	Marvellous Medicine swimming lesson
Thursday 18 th October	9:00am	KS1 Harvest Festival
Friday 19 th October	3:00pm / 3:10pm	Spooky Disco
Monday 22nd October 2018 – Friday 26th October 2018 – HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED Monday 29th October 2018 – INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED Tuesday 30th October 2018 – Back to school at 8:45am		