

Choir Success

On Saturday evening, a number of our pupils represented Croft to perform with the In-Accord Choir at St. Martin's Church in Sherwood, Nottingham. Musical Director Jon Wakefield brought together three separate choirs for the performance – Croft School, Willow Farm School and the adult singers of In-Accord. Having never met or heard each other before, they came together beautifully and made an amazing sound. The children, perfectly coached by Mr Hinchley, sang Gospel songs and a Beatles medley. We've already booked our places for next year's event.....



Attendance Challenge

Results for the week 13th – 17th March:

Position	Class	Attendance
1st	3T	100%
2nd	4W	99.00%
3rd	EYFS JR	98.62%

Whole school attendance
95.27% ↓

Number of late arrivals
19 =



The Big Snore

One of our Y4 pupils, **Caitlyn Limb**, is taking part in the Big Snore, on behalf of Framework.

Framework is a charity and housing association that helps homeless people, prevents homelessness and creates opportunities for vulnerable people.

The Big Snore takes place on 24th March and will entail Caitlyn building her own shelter and sleeping rough for the night, thereby helping others by raising sponsorship money.

I'm sure you will agree that is an amazing, selfless gesture from Caitlyn and we wish her all the very best for the night.....let's hope the weather has picked up before then!



Croft First Steps

Every Wednesday morning, Croft First Steps Parent and Toddler Group meet in the Country Kitchen for a friendly, informal get together. Do you have pre-school children? Why not pop along and give it a try? You can count on a warm welcome. You may be able to help us too. The group are in need of a fold-up baby chair. If you have one, in good condition, that you are willing to donate, group members will be very grateful.

Explorers Go To The Theatre



will remember for a long time to come.

Pupils from Foundation Stage travelled to Mansfield Palace Theatre to watch a thrilling puppet show, re-telling four of Eric Carle's books, including the classic favourite The Very Hungry Caterpillar.

The children watched in fascination as the tales were brought to life by 75 fantastic puppets, an experience they

Easter Multi-Sports Camp



During the Easter holidays, Next Level Sports are running their popular Sports Camp from **Monday 3rd April to Thursday 6th April**. It runs from 9.30am – 3.30pm and costs £12 per day (£6 if your child is in receipt of benefit free school meals). Booking/consent forms are available from the school office.

Pupil Progress Meetings

Thank you very much for your attendance at last week's Pupil Progress meetings with your child's teacher. If you were unable to attend for any reason, please get in touch and we will rearrange. At this mid-point in the school year it is important you receive those vital messages of how well your child is doing and what you can do at home to promote further progress.

Y3 Y4 Performance

If you haven't yet bought your tickets for the performance of 'Evacuees' please hurry as they are disappearing fast. The evening production at 7pm on Wednesday 29th March has sold out but there are tickets left for the other shows. Don't worry if you've lost your letter – just enquire at the school office.

Diary Dates - 20th March 2017

MARCH 2017

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| Tuesday 21 st March | - Full Governing Body meeting at 6.00pm |
| Thursday 23 rd March | - KS2 Film club in school hall at 3.30pm |
| Monday 27 th March | - Years 3 & 4 performance of Evacuees at 2.15pm |
| Monday 27 th March | - Finance & General Purposes Committee at 5.00pm |
| Tuesday 28 th March | - Years 3 & 4 performance of Evacuees at 2.15pm |
| Wednesday 29 th March | - Years 3 & 4 performance of Evacuees at 7.00pm |
| Thursday 30 th March | - Y5 visit to Harry Potter World (leaving at 7.30am) |
| Friday 31 st March | - Last day at school (Easter Holidays) |

APRIL 2017

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| Monday 3 rd April | - Next Level Sports Holiday Club 9.30am - 3.30pm |
| Tuesday 4 th April | - Next Level Sports Holiday Club 9.30am - 3.30pm |
| Wednesday 5 th April | - Next Level Sports Holiday Club 9.30am - 3.30pm |
| Thursday 6 th April | - Next Level Sports Holiday Club 9.30am - 3.30pm |
| Tuesday 18 th April | - Pupils back to school |
| Thursday 20 th April | - FS, Y1 & Y2 Music through the Ages Disco 5.00 - 6.00 |
| Thursday 20 th April | - KS2 Music through the Ages Disco 6.15pm - 7.45pm |
| Monday 24 th April | - School Improvement Committee at 5.00pm |
| Wednesday 26 th April | - Heads & Chairs Briefing at 6.00pm |

MAY 2017

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| Monday 1 st May | - School Closed - May Day |
| Monday 8 th May | - Y6 SATs Week |
| Monday 15 th May | - Y2 SATs Week |
| Monday 15 th May | - Y6 pupils going to Ashfield - visit all day |
| Tuesday 16 th May | - Book Fair in school hall 3.30pm - 4.30pm |
| Wednesday 17 th May | - Book Fair in school hall 3.30pm - 4.30pm |
| Thursday 18 th May | - Book Fair in school hall 3.30pm - 4.30pm |
| Monday 22 nd May | - Y2 SATs Week |
| Friday 26 th May | - Y6 Residential visit to Kingswood, West Runton |
| Friday 26 th May | - INSET DAY |
| Monday 29 th May | - School Closed (May half-term holiday) |
| Monday 29 th May | - Y6 return from Kingswood, West Runton |

JUNE 2017

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| Monday 5 th June | - INSET DAY |
| Tuesday 6 th June | - Pupils back to school |
| Tuesday 20 th June | - Y6 pupils going to Ashfield - visit all day |

Y1 & Y2 PHONICS CHECK WEEK 12th - 16th June 2017

Y2 pupils will also be tested during May. Avoid taking your child out of school at this time and in the weeks before, when test preparation takes place.