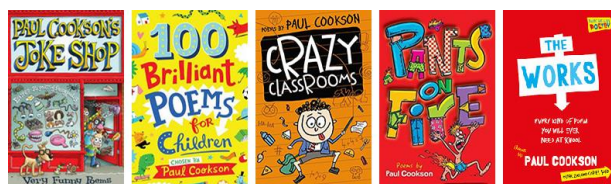


Poet Paul Cookson



As part of a whole school focus on 'Poetry Week', poet Paul Cookson will be visiting Croft on Tuesday 31st January. He lives in Retford and has worked as a poet since 1989, visiting thousands of schools and performing to hundreds of thousands of pupils and staff all around the world. He has written numerous books and many of his poems are widely known e.g. 'Let no-one steal your dreams'. On Tuesday, Paul will be leading workshops across all age ranges from F2 – Y6; he is a firm believer that everyone can write poems. Paul's performances are always memorable, lively and extremely funny and we are looking forward to an exciting and inspiring day! Paul will be in the school hall after 3.30pm, where a selection of his books will be on sale.



Attendance Challenge

Results for the week 23rd – 27th January:

| Position | Class | Attendance |
|-----------------|-------|------------|
| 1 st | 4W | 100% |
| 2 nd | 3T | 98.67% |
| 3 rd | 5P | 97.14% |

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|-------------------------|----------|
| Whole school attendance | 93.80% ↓ |
| Number of late arrivals | 32 ↑ |




Family Support Hub

The Family Support Hub, based at the Diamond Centre, Diamond Avenue, Kirkby in Ashfield, has been launched by Autism East Midlands. The Hub is a place where all the family can attend. There are activities, games and crafts available along with support and advice. These are drop-in sessions so no pre-booking is required. It operates on the 4th Monday of every month between 4pm and 8pm and the first session was last week, 23rd January. Some Croft families attended and the feedback has been excellent, so why not give it a try? The next drop-in is 27th February. For further details, please follow the link below to the website of Autism East Midlands: www.autismeastmidlands.org.uk

Parachute Play

If you are looking for ideas to keep your younger children occupied during the half-term holiday, you may be interested in this **free** event which is running at Sutton Library on Thursday 16th February. Please see the poster attached with this bulletin, and on display in reception, for further information.

Safer Internet Day



Safer Internet Day 2017 will be celebrated globally on Tuesday 7th February with the slogan 'Be the change: Unite for a better internet'. See next week's bulletin for details of how your children will take part in this important initiative.

Rock Star of the Week

Congratulations to this week's Rock Star – **George W** from 4W is the champion! Congratulations to George who had 4530 correct answers and 98% accuracy. Please ask your child's teacher, or Mr Bonser, if you need any help with logging on.



School Nurse Drop-ins

Over the next few weeks, a number of school nurse drop-in sessions have been arranged. No appointments are necessary and you may attend any session, regardless of where you live.
Oates Hill Health Centre, Sutton in Ashfield – Mondays 1pm-2pm 6th and 20th February; 6th and 20th March
Tin Hat Centre, Selston – Wednesdays 9.30am-10.30am 1st and 8th February; 8th and 22nd March
Huthwaite Children's Centre – Tuesdays 9.30am-10.30am 7th and 21st February; 7th and 21st March
New Woods Centre, Skegby – Thursdays 9.30am-10.30am 23rd February; 9th and 23rd March
Summit Centre, Kirkby in Ashfield – Tuesdays 9.30am-10.30am 31st January; 14th and 28th February; 14th and 28th March

Diary Dates - 30th January 2017

JANUARY 2017

Monday 30th January - Y4 Kingswood meeting in school hall at 3.45pm

FEBRUARY 2017

Tuesday 7th February - Y6 visit to Creswell Crags
Friday 10th February - Sign2Sing Singathon non uniform day (50p donation)
Friday 10th February - Last day at school (February Half Term)
Monday 13th February - Multi Sports Camp 9.30am - 3.30pm
Tuesday 14th February - Multi Sports Camp 9.30am - 3.30pm
Wednesday 15th February - Multi Sports Camp 9.30am - 3.30pm
Monday 20th February - INSET DAY
Tuesday 21st February - Pupils back to school

MARCH 2017

Tuesday 14th March - Foundation visit to Palace Theatre, Mansfield
Tuesday 14th March - Parents Evening 4.00pm - 6.00pm
Thursday 16th March - Parents Evening 4.00pm - 7.00pm
Monday 27th March - Years 3 & 4 performance of Evacuees at 2.15pm
Tuesday 28th March - Years 3 & 4 performance of Evacuees at 2.15pm
Wednesday 29th March - Years 3 & 4 performance of Evacuees at 7.00pm
Thursday 30th March - Y5 visit to Harry Potter World
Friday 31st March - Last day at school (Easter Holidays)

FUTURE DATES

INSET DAYS

Friday 26th May 2017

Monday 5th June 2017

Y6 SATs WEEK

Monday 8th - Friday 12th May 2017

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.