



# CROSSENS NURSERY SCHOOL

Happy Minds, Healthy Bodies,  
Kind Hearts

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## Welcome Back and Happy New Year!

I would also like to wish a very WARM welcome to all our new children and their families. Welcome to Crosssens Nursery School!

It has been lovely to see returning children settling back into nursery and to watch our new children growing in confidence and learning their new routines!

We know that settling into nursery can be a challenge for children and their parents and carers, and we want to reassure you that we will do our utmost to work with you to support each child to settle. If there is anything you wish to discuss or bring to our attention, then please get in touch and we will be happy to talk to you.

We continue to embed and develop our Education from the Heart Curriculum and look forward to working with you in our Parent Information Session to share our strategies and pedagogy.

**Mrs Beth Brice**  
Headteacher

### Dates for your Diary:

Date	What and where?
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February, 4pm	Parent Information Session
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	'Love My Community Day' – Children to wear something red and donate £1 to support Elsie's Story, Bebe's Hive and Alice's Wonderdance
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	School Closes for Half-Term – (normal time) <b>School re-opens on Monday 23rd February</b>
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day – Children to dress as their favourite book character!
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Evening
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 9.30am	Potty Training Workshop
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March – from Morning drop off until 10am	Purple Room - Easter Stay and Play
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 9.30am	Big Room - Easter Bonnet Parade
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Break up for Easter (normal time)

### NO PARKING PLEASE

In order to ensure the health and safety of children, families and other visitors to the schools on this busy site, **parents and carers are not permitted to park on-site at any time.**

**Congestion in the car park prevents access for our Emergency Services to help all the schools on site.** Thank you very much for your support in ensuring the safety of all the children.

**The Larkfield Lane gate is locked at 9.30am and reopened at 3.00pm.** If you are picking up or dropping off at lunchtime to Nursery, there will only be access via the Preston New Road entrance.



## Learning in the 3&4 YO Room

Children will be:

Building relationships and settling new children - reinforcing teachers and children names in their group; following daily routines and simple two step instructions; learning the expectations of looking after our environment, such as putting things back when they are finished with, picking things up off the floor, using our manners; consolidating previous learning about emotions and how they make us feel; developing their focus and attention using listening games to distinguish between different sounds i.e. environmental sounds such as birds tweeting, animal sounds or making sounds with instruments or body parts; listening and responding to others, e.g. recognising when someone else is talking, looking at the person when they are talking to them, waiting for their turn and responding when they have been spoken to.

In the coming weeks, we would like to create a class **Baby Book**. Please send in a photo labelled with the name and age of your child at any age before attending nursery. It is important to share this with your child before they bring it in so they can recognise themselves and how they have changed. Please also remember to share photos of any special events your family have experienced as children just love to talk about this in group time with their friends and it can be added to our family board.



## Learning in the 2 YO Room

Children in the Purple Room will explore and gain a sense of adventure, through stories and play. The stories "Monkey and Me" by Emily Gravel and "Shark in the Park" by Nick Sharrat will help all children to recognise feelings of surprise and excitement and repetitive words and phrases will allow the children to learn many new words and phrases and develop the love of adventure and curiosity in books and stories.



## SNACK MONEY

Thank you to all our families who have contributed their snack money. This donation makes a huge difference to the snacks that we can offer our children during the Nursery day.

We provide healthy snacks with this money which we would otherwise be unable to offer without such.

Snack money can be paid to the school office in cash or via Parent Pay.

Snack is £10 per half term and we are so very grateful for your support.



## Cold Weather Clothing

Please ensure your child is appropriately dressed for outdoor play. We love to get out in our garden – even when it is cold! This should include a suitable coat, with a hood, a hat and some gloves. We endeavour to get our children outside in 'all weathers', where possible, so coats are likely to get wet and muddy!

We are a busy setting so it is essential that all items of clothing are labelled with your child's name.

For health and safety reasons, scarves are not permitted but 'snoods' are fine.



## Healthy Bodies

Please consider a balance of healthy food in your child's lunch box in order to support us in promoting healthy eating. **We politely request that sweets, cakes and chocolate are not brought into Nursery. To avoid choking risks, we ask that grapes and small fruits are cut lengthways into quarters and that popcorn is not brought into Nursery.** Please speak with our team if you need advice with regards to lunchboxes, safe eating and nutrition for 2 to 4 year olds.

