



CROSSENS NURSERY SCHOOL

Happy Minds, Healthy Bodies, Kind Hearts

Friday 6th March 2026

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This half-term is already 'flying by' and Easter will be here in no time! It has been lovely to see the sun shining and the children discovering new life in the garden as Spring has sprung! We will explore Spring further during our trip to Windmill Farm and we look forward to sharing our learning during Purple Room's Easter Stay and Play and the Big Room's Easter Bonnet Parade. You will also see a new addition to our newsletter under the heading 'Eco Tip of the Month'. Mrs Postlethwaite is now the Sustainability Lead for our Nursery and she will be working on some great projects with the children over the next few months. Each edition of our newsletter will now include a simple Eco tip that you and your child can enjoy together, helping to look after our Wonderful World.

Many thanks,

Mrs Beth Brice, Headteacher

How are we doing?

You will soon receive a questionnaire via email and we would be grateful if you could complete and return this to us **by Friday 20th March**.

The information you provide is invaluable in supporting us to continue to improve and develop our practice here at Crossens Nursery School.



Staffing

Mrs Halsall will commence her maternity leave after the Easter holidays. Miss Allister will take over as key worker for Yellow Group whilst we await the return of Mrs Annesley in June, who will then share the role. Miss Allister will attend Yellow Group Parents' Evenings next week to meet all parents.

Our Governors

Last week, I met with our wonderful Board of Governors. Our Governors play a vital role in supporting and guiding our Nursery school. They help set the school's vision and ensure that every child receives the highest quality early years education and care.

The Governing Body provides strategic oversight, monitors progress and standards, and ensures that the school's resources are used effectively. They act as a critical friend — offering support, asking thoughtful questions, and helping to shape future development plans.

Thank you to my inspiring Board of Governors who continue to support Crossens Nursery School as we go from strength to strength.



Key Dates:

Monday 9th March – Parents' Evening

Tuesday 10th March – Parents' Evening

Friday 13th March, 9.30am – Potty Training Workshop

Thursday 19th March – Trip to Windmill Farm

Wednesday 25th March – Purple Room Easter Stay and Play (morning session)

Thursday 26th March – Big Room Easter Bonnet Parade – Children are invited to come to Nursery wearing their very own Easter Bonnet! We will have a parade and sing some songs, sharing our learning too! Come along and join us! We will start the Parade at 9.30am.

Friday 27th March – Break up for the Easter holiday

Tuesday 14th April – Summer term starts!

World Book Day

We had a wonderful time celebrating World Book Day this week. The children and staff wore fantastic costumes and really enjoyed a range of activities during the week. Thank you to our parents who came in to share stories with our children, it is so lovely to have you involved! 2026 is 'The Year of Reading' so 'Snuggle up with a Good Book' and enjoy these precious moments with your little one.



A BIG THANK YOU!

Back in February, we wore red and raised money for the Bebe's Hive, Elsie's Story and Alice's Wonderdance on 'Love My Community Day'. This money was raised in collaboration with all the schools in the Southport Learning Partnership. Crossens Nursery School raised £72! Thank you for your support and generosity.



Purple Room – 2 Year Olds

From exploring more complex stories to celebrating Spring, we are fostering creativity both indoors and outdoors, whilst tuning in to our feelings. Through Goldilocks and the three Bears, we will explore cold and hot, hard and soft, broken and fixed. We will compare size with reference to items in the bears' cottage such as bowls, spoons, chairs and beds. With regards to our emotions, we will help the children to recognise what makes them smile, what makes them sad and how we find comfort and joy when a kind friend makes us feel better. Hopefully, the improving weather will bring minibeads to our Bug Hotel and our pots of meadow flowers will invite wildlife for us to observe, fostering our love for nature, boosting our curiosity and supporting our well-being.



Eco Tip of the Month!

Walk, scoot or cycle to Nursery where possible!



Baby Ballet

Purple Room will also now be enjoying Miss Emma's skills in their own Baby Ballet session each Monday. Thank you to Miss Emma, Miss Jennifer and the Baby Ballet team for their care and dedication to our Nursery!



Big Room – 3 & 4 Year Olds

Our Mindful Heart topic continues! The children will be introduced to Confident Calf, developing a strong sense of self and recognising what they CAN do rather than worrying about what they 'can't do yet'. They will identify things they are good at and be encouraged to practise things that are challenging. We will be looking at how children have grown and changed, so please send in baby photos for our discussions! All the characters in Mindful Heart live on the farm. We will be looking closely at farm animals in preparation for our trip! A new morning activity will also begin next week and this will be explained in further detail during Parents' Evening.

