

CROSSENS NURSERY SCHOOL

Happy Minds, Healthy Bodies, Kind Hearts

Tuesday 10th November 2026

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Welcome back!

We hope you had a lovely half-term break! It has been wonderful welcoming the children back and seeing them happily settling into their Nursery routines. We have an exciting month ahead, filled with fun, learning and enrichment, and we look forward to sharing lots of special experiences with your children!

Dates for your Diary:



Children in Need - Friday 13th November – Wear your Spots or PJs for Pudsey!

Home Safari – Tuesday 24th November

Purple Room Christmas Stay and Play – Thursday 10th December, morning session

Big Room Christmas Performance - Friday 11th December, 9.30am

Christmas Party - Wednesday 16th December (more details to follow)

Last day and break up for the Christmas holidays – Thursday 17th December, normal times

Mrs Beth Brice, Headteacher

"Happy Minds, Healthy Bodies, Kind Hearts... and Sparkling Smiles!"

This month, we will be introducing our Nursery 'Teeth Brushing Programme' in partnership with the NHS for children in our Big Room. It is so important that we set healthy habits for our children at a young age and we are delighted to be part of this exciting programme!

Whilst we finalise the last resources and procedures, we will be talking to the children about looking after their teeth, raising their awareness of sugar and thinking about the 'easy swaps' that can be made to keep our lunch boxes healthy and keep our children's smiles 'sparkling'!

Our 'Simple Swaps' reel will be released on our Instagram page this week and we will be sharing further information with you with regards to healthy lunchbox inspiration and supporting the move away from dummies, later in the term.

To launch our new project, we will be welcoming 'The Tiny Tooth Fairy' to our Nursery this week. She will work with children in the Big Room and they will learn about how to care for their teeth in a fun and age appropriate way.

We will be sharing resources with you to support teeth brushing at home and we welcome any questions or tips you may have in encouraging children to clean their teeth.

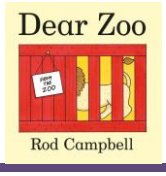
I'm looking forward to seeing the project in action and I thank you all for your support and understanding in helping the Nursery to promote the health and nutrition standards that are expected of our setting.



Purple Room – 2YOs

We will be enjoying 'Dear Zoo' by Rod Campbell to give the children the opportunity to build vocabulary and anticipation. This story is about a child's quest to get the 'perfect pet'! We will talk about favourite animals, their features and sizes and find out which ones are our most loved! The visit from Home Safari this month will also give our children the opportunity to look at, feel and observe real animals.

Maths will also form part of our learning through exploring weight, size and quantities through fitting toys into different sized boxes. Using the different boxes will support fine motor skills as they open and close a range of box types, also developing their problem solving skills.



Big Room – 3&4 YOs

This month, our learning will continue to focus on developing Happy minds, Healthy bodies and Kind Hearts! Through Education from the Heart, we will explore how our bodies feel through simple experiments, alongside breathwork, meditation and activities that encourage calm, focus and self-regulation.

In our other learning, we will be exploring number order, developing our early mathematical understanding and using continuous lines in our drawing and painting. We will also be practising drawing enclosed shapes to represent familiar objects, encouraging children to develop their creativity, control and confidence as young artists.



School Governors

Our Nursery School Governors met earlier this term to review the work and ongoing development of Crossens. They play an important role in supporting and challenging the school, looking closely at children's learning, progress and wellbeing, alongside the wellbeing of our staff. We are fortunate to have such a committed and knowledgeable Board who give their time to help our Nursery thrive. Governors will meet again later this month to receive further updates on our progress, celebrate our successes and help shape our priorities for the future.



PARKING

Our school shares the site with three other schools and staff need access to spaces. Transport for the special schools also need access in order to support the children safely. Parking is strictly for staff and transport services on-site.

When dropping off or collecting your children please **DO NOT** park on the school site. Many thanks for your support with this matter.



Eco Tip of the Month

As Christmas approaches, now is a great time to have a sort through toys and clothing that your child has outgrown. Donating these items to local charities benefits people in need as well as reducing demands on landfill.



Help

Crossens Nursery School is here to help YOU as well as your child. As experienced parents ourselves, we understand the demands that this time of year can place on Parents and Carers, in addition to the waves of emotion and development that our children are navigating. We will always help to find the support you need and we will be a listening ear.

