

Weekly Newsletter

'Education on another level, where possibilities are endless'

AUTUMN TERM CURRICULUM BOOKSHELVES

Every term, every year group at Crown Street has their learning supported by an amazing selection of books, which make up what we call our Curriculum Bookshelves. Each book on the shelf is selected by our teachers to inspire and engage the children in learning across the curriculum as well as supporting our focus on the character traits of **kindness, bravery, citizenship, integrity, curiosity** and **gratitude**. The Bookshelves for all year groups are available to view on the year group pages of our website.



CURRICULUM INFORMATION SESSIONS

(See Dates for Diary for Year Group days!)

Next week we will be holding a Curriculum Information Session for each year group. In each session we will share information about the curriculum your child will be following in their new year group and how you can support at home. We hope to see you there, however we appreciate that not everyone will be able to attend at this time, so we will publish the slides and resources used on our school website afterwards for future reference.

PARENTS EVENING

Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th October

We will be holding our first set of Parents' Evenings at the beginning of October.

These will be a great chance to spend a little time with your child's Class Teacher to hear about how they have settled in to their new year groups, how we are supporting their learning at school and what you can do to support them at home.

More details on how to book appointments will be shared later this month but in the meantime make sure the dates are in your diary!

READING

Reading is without doubt the most important academic skills we can teach our children.

But what is also incredibly important, is developing a love for books and reading and this is something at the heart of Crown Street Primary School!

It's hard to overstate the significance of a regular reading slot with your child; both on an educational but also a relational and personal development level, it's absolutely pivotal to their progression as successful and happy readers.

This is something that you can support with at home by establishing positive reading habits and setting up a reading culture at home. Whether that is a new book, or the same book it has been for the last few nights, or whether it is your child reading to you, or you reading aloud (with the voices) to your child – all of this is valuable reading experience. Remember you are reading role models yourselves so you will also be helping just by showing your own love of reading.

Happy Reading!

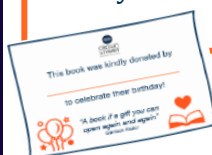


BIRTHDAY BOOKS

It is always exciting when it is your birthday and we appreciate that sometimes our children wish to celebrate by sharing something with the class. We kindly ask that sweet treats are not brought into school, but instead a Birthday Book is donated.

Every Birthday book is marked with a special sticker before entering the class library so that they can be read and shared by the class. Once they've been enjoyed by the class, these books are then added to our 'Birthday Books' collection in our School Library.

We have been very lucky with the donations we have had over the years, and already this year – so thank you to all our children (and parents/carers) for donating. And thank you in advance if anymore come our way!



CHARACTER AWARDS!

Last week's Character Awards have been awarded:

In PLMM and RSH – whole class award for

Bravery and Curiosity

– for settling in so well to their new routines and classrooms!

In 1ND this was awarded for **Kindness**

– for showing kindness to all and being positive within the classroom

In 1ND this was awarded for **Integrity**

– for always making good choices, even when not being watched!



Bravery



Citizenship



Curiosity



Gratitude



Integrity



Kindness

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

From September 2026, there have been important changes to the Free School Meals (FSM) system. The government has expanded eligibility so that all children from households receiving Universal Credit may now qualify for free school meals.

It is worth pointing out that all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to Free School Meals. This new expansion will apply to Pre-School and from Year 3 onwards.

Due to the changes, all families must have their eligibility checked under the new criteria. Further information about checking eligibility and how to apply can be found [here](#).

If you need any support at all with this, please get in touch with us as admin@crownstreetprimary.org.uk

ASSEMBLIES

During our Whole School Assembly, we revisited our School Rules and what these look like within the classroom and around school by talking about our behaviour for learning. This was followed by discussing our school community and how we can work together to make our school amazing! We finished by sharing the book 'We Are Welcome' – all about celebrating differences and belonging, which seemed fitting at the start of our school year.



Our Rights Respecting Assembly was all about recapping what it means to be a Rights Respecting School and setting our intentions for the year ahead.

The children discussed Article 28 – our right to an education along with Article 12 – our right to share our views and be respected, which linked in with a discussion around our School Rules and how we can show respect to one another in the classroom and around school.



CROWN STREET
PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Rules

We are respectful

Everybody is valued and respected

We do our best

Everybody takes pride in all that they do

We make good choices

Everybody reflects on their behaviour and learns how to make good choices

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 21st Sept – Reception Height & Weight

Mon 21st Sept – Reception Curriculum Session
start time 3.45pm

Tuesday 22nd Sept – Pre-School Curriculum Session
start time 3.45pm

Weds 23rd Sept – Year 1 Curriculum Session
start time 3.45pm

Thurs 24th Sept – Year 2 Curriculum Session
start time 3.45pm

Mon 28th Sept - Academy Committee Meeting

Tues 29th Sept - School Tours begin, 9.15am
(for prospective Reception parents)

Tues 6th & Weds 7th Oct - Parents' Evenings,
3.30pm – 6pm

Thurs 15th Oct – Individual School Photographs

Fri 23rd Oct – Last day of Autumn 1 term

Mon 2nd Nov – Inset Day, school closed to pupils

Tues 3rd Nov – School Opens, first day of Autumn 2

For 2026-27 Term Dates please [click here](#)

Reception 2026 Admissions

We might have only just welcomed our new Reception pupils into the Crown Street Primary family for this year, but applications for September 2027 are already open!

The co-ordination and administration of admissions is undertaken by Manchester City Council. Should you, or anyone you know be interested then you can find more information on our website by clicking here – [Crown Street Primary Admissions](#)

We will begin to run School Tours for prospective parents in the coming weeks. More information can be found on our website.

CORE SCHOOL DAY TIMINGS

Our school day starts at **8.45am** and ends at **3.15pm**.

School gates/doors are locked promptly to safeguard our children. Children arriving after this time must be signed in at the School Office.

PICK-UP ARRANGEMENTS

At the end of the day children are dismissed directly to parents/carers. Should there be any changes to this, please inform our Admin team before 2.30pm so we can let the Class Teachers know who to look out for to ensure a safe collection.

ALLERGY AWARENESS –

PLEASE REMEMBER WE ARE AN ALLERGY AWARE SCHOOL - UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD NUTS, OR ANY PRODUCT CONTAINING NUTS, BE BROUGHT INTO SCHOOL