



Dear Parents and Carers,

From the Headteacher

As we reach the end of a busy and successful Spring term I want to thank you for your continued partnership and support. It has been a joy to see our pupils flourish and achieve so much over the last few weeks. I wish you all a peaceful and joyful Easter.

✿ Celebrating Our OPAL Playtimes! ✿

Den building, discos, rolling down the grassy bank and so much more! It has been a joy to see children laughing and playing during OPAL play this term. Thank you for your continued support providing spare clothes, wellie boots and items requested for our OPAL provision. We wish you a playful and happy Easter holiday.

Enrichment experiences

This week, our children have enjoyed a wonderful variety of trips and experiences. KS1 explored the local area on a community walk whilst Birch Class returned to Watercress Farm for another hands-on visit. Yesterday, all of KS2 were lucky enough to go to the wonderful Bristol Old Vic Theatre to seeThe Boy at the Back of the Class. It was a moving play, very well acted and based on the book by Onjali Q. Rauf. We would like to say thank-you to the brilliant Old Vic Theatre for having us and especially to our amazing PTA for organising and funding this magnificent trip. We all really enjoyed it and it made the last week of term exceptionally great!

We also extend our appreciation to **My Future, My Choice** and the **Port Authority** for providing and funding an enriching trip for Years 5 and 6. The children travelled by train and boat to take part in a memorable boat-building experience. (awaiting a little more information from Sonya 😊)

Spelling Bee

Representatives from every year group recently took part in a spelling bee, competing against teams from across the MAT. We are incredibly proud of their enthusiasm and exemplary behaviour, and we are delighted to share that medals were achieved in every year group! Well done to all who took part - a fantastic achievement!

Portishead Swimathon

Eighteen children proudly represented Crockerne at the Portishead Swimathon on Saturday 21st March, raising money for the charities supported by The Rotary Club. A fantastic swim by everyone involved!

School Reports

Thank you to all parents who have shared feedback on the annual reports sent home last week. Your comments have been incredibly positive and encouraging, and we are so pleased to hear how well they have been received.

Upcoming Easter Church Services

Friday 3rd April - Good Friday

10:30 Churches Together Walk of Witness, starting at St George, finishing at Pill Centre (the Green if not the Precinct)

14:00 One hour reflection/meditation at Christ Church - this consists of three 20 minute slots of a hymn, a reading and a short reflection on the text/event, with a moment of silence to conclude.

Saturday 4th April

20:00 Easter Vigil Service of Light at St George

Sunday 5th April - Easter Day

10:30 Benefice Holy Communion at St George

Polite reminders and useful information:

- Reminder: Children are parents' responsibility from the time we hand over at the end of the day. Please do not allow children to play on any equipment before and after school.
- **Safeguarding:** should you wish for your child to be collected from school by another adult. You must notify the office no later than **2:30pm** on the day. We cannot allow anyone to collect a child without their parent's permission.
- We ask that **no mobile phones** are used or seen by adults or children whilst on school premises, at any time.
- Please remember that Crockerne C of E Primary School has a **no nuts** policy.
- All children in Reception, year 1 and year 2 are entitled to a free school meal as part of the Universal Free School Meal campaign.
- **If you claim qualifying benefits your older child may be entitled to Free School Meals. Please follow the link to see if you are entitled.**
https://ems.n-somerset.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/en
- Breakfast club is available daily from 7.30am and must be pre-booked on
<https://app.parentpay.com/>
- After School Club is ran by My Shine from 3:15pm – 6:00pm All information for this is found directly with My Shine. Visit <https://myshine.co.uk>
- **Westward Drive** is now a **School Street** which is a road where a school temporarily closes to become a pedestrian and cycle zone during the school's opening and closing times.
The School Street operational times on Westward Drive are 8.30 - 9.30 am & 3.00 - 4.00 pm.

Dates for diaries and INSET days 2026

Bank Holiday Friday 3rd April 2026

Bank Holiday Monday 4th May 2026

Term 5 – Monday 20th April to Friday 22nd May 2026

Upcoming dates for April & May 2026

Mon 20 th April	KS1 Trip to Berkeley Castle
Weds 22 nd April	North Somerset Dance Festival, W-S-M
Mon 27 th April	Holly Class Trip to Watercress Farm
Thurs 14 th May	Willow Class Trip to Watercress Farm
Mon 11th – Fri 15th May	Y6 SATs week

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