

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are already at the end of another half term and that there is only one more half term of the school year! It has been another great week with lot going on. Juniper and Oak classes enjoyed their multisport festival on Thursday at Lincroft and it was lovely to see how many children achieved the values certificates that are awarded. Well done all of you. We also had a visit from our School Improvement Partner who was very impressed with everything that he saw taking place in classes and how hard the children are working. It is always a pleasure to show people around our school, showing off the great work the children do.

Next half term is very busy with many class trips taking place. We also have a Father's Day event taking place on Friday 19th June (details will follow in the new term). Please check the school calendar for all of the events that will be taking place.

Have a wonderful half term break and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on **Tuesday 2nd June 2026**.

Christopher Reeves Vision and Values

This half term, the value we will be learning about is tolerance.

The Bible advocates for patience, grace, and respectful treatment of all people, often emphasising loving one's neighbour and bearing with one another's faults.

"With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love."

Ephesians 4:2



Respect



Responsibility



Resilience

Who can I contact?

If you have any queries about your child and their education, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance. They will be available at the classroom door each day at the start and end of school.

If you need to speak with a member of staff about SEND, behaviour or safeguarding, please contact the following members of staff:

SEND – Mrs Laywood-Hill (Willow Class)

Behaviour – Mrs Clark (Juniper Class)

Safeguarding – Mrs Bush or Mrs Clark

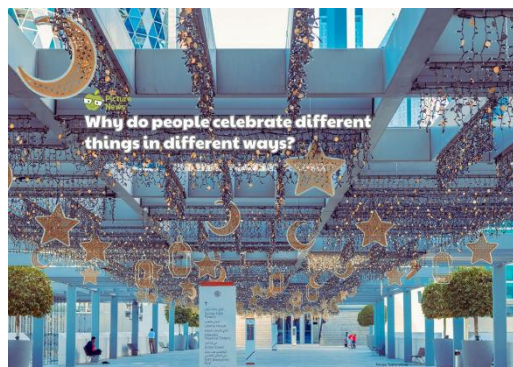


Picture News

The story and question that the children will be thinking about after half term is...

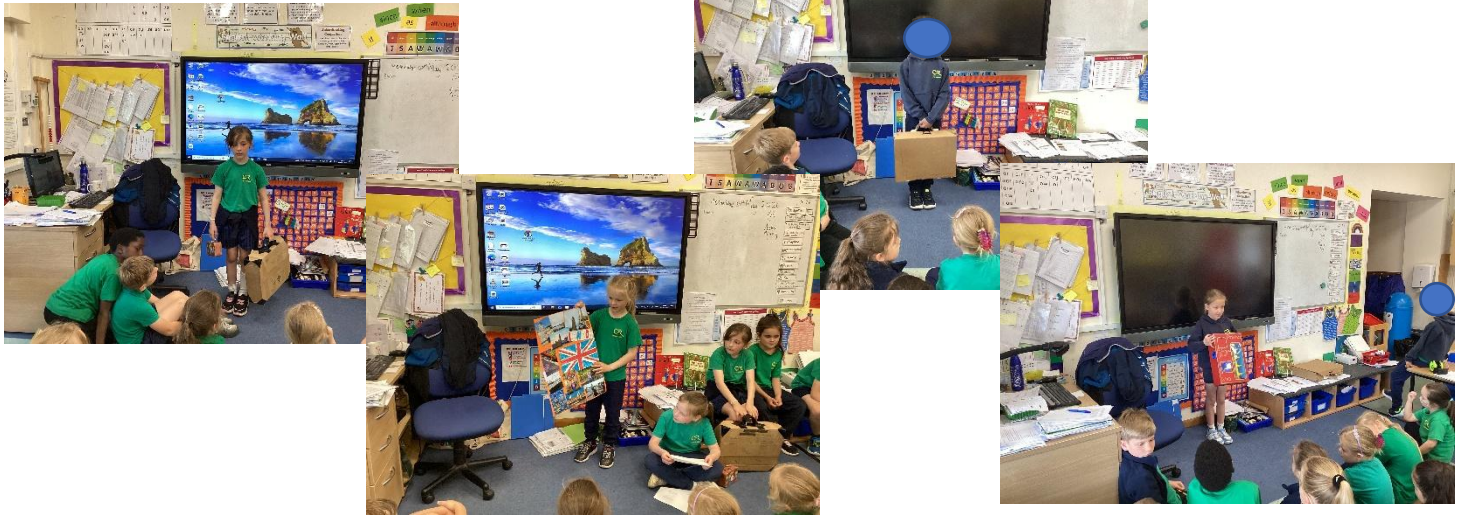
This week, many people in the UK and across the world are celebrating Eid al-Adha.

Question: Why do people celebrate different things in different ways?



This week at Christopher Reeves...

The children in Willow class have been using super oracy skills to present their creative curriculum homework.



Juniper and Oak Class took part in the sports festival at Lincroft. Our cricket team excelled on the pitch at the sports festival; their skill and excellent teamwork resulted in them coming 1st out of 8 teams and winning all of their games. They were a credit to the school; demonstrating exemplary behaviour and respectful sporting values. We are incredibly proud of them!



Online Safety – Is Your Child Prepared for their First Phone?

It's a question that so many parents struggle with, balancing the positives, the negatives, the need, cost and so much more. The problem with such a question is that there is no one-size-fits-all answer.

Darren Laur has written a really useful article for parents, within the article he uses the acronym PREPARED which takes away the complexity and allows parents to make decisions based on their own circumstances.:

- P - Purpose.
- R - Responsibility.
- E - Empathy and respect.
- P - Perception of risk.
- A - Adaptability and resilience.
- R - Regulation.
- E - Executive functioning.
- D - Digital discernment.

Link: [Is your child PREPARED for their first phone?](#)

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Thea and Ato in Year 5 and Year 6 whose artwork has been selected to be hung at The Higgins Gallery for the summer exhibition following the Harpur Trust Art Competition the school took part in. The exhibition runs from 20th June to 4th October. If you have the chance, please take a visit. A flyer for the exhibition can be found below.

Well done Thea and Ato!

Attendance

We are always trying to improve our attendance in school as we know that when children are in school regularly, they can get the most out of their learning. This week our school attendance was **96.23%**.

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools about [managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK](#). These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't. The NHS also publish advice for parents and carers which can be found [HERE](#). Please refer to this if you are ever unsure or call the school office.

Voice 21 Conversation Starter...

If you could make three wishes what would they be?



Dates for your Diary

All dates for the school year can be found on the school website. Please click [HERE](#) to access them.



Celebrations

This week our Attendance Award goes to Year 4 with 100% attendance.

The children in the Golden Book this week are...

Acorns lass – Ellie O'Shea and Maisie Burton
Willow Class – Ivy Honour and Tyler Bell
Juniper Class – Gracie Graham and Lilly Housman
Oak Class – Alice Smith



Well done to all of these children.

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National Year of Reading 2026

COLOUR FUN RUN

Put the fun into fundraising!

RUN FOR FUN, FITNESS, AND COMMUNITY!

Please join us for our first PTA Colour Run!

Join in the fun to help us raise funds for the new outdoor learning area.

Friday 3rd July at 3.30pm

Christopher Reeves Playing Fields

Ministry of **Colours**

12 - 14 JUNE

PodStock

FAMILY FRIENDLY FEEL - GOOD MUSIC FEST

Friday
VIVA LA VIDA - COLDPLAY
 THE SOUND OF AC/DC • TWIST OF ROCK
 KINS OF LEON • OASIS OF SOUND

Saturday
QWEEN UK
 THE SUM OF SHEERAN • TAKE THAT REUNION
 SPICE WORLD THE TRIBUTE • ABSOLUTE BRITNEY
 FAKE BOY SLIM • ARIANA GRANDE LIVE EXPERIENCE
 24K BRUNO • JACKSON - DANCING THE DREAM

Sunday
ZACH BRYAN UK
 CHASING MUMFORD • GOT TO BE STEPS
 TOTALLY TAYLOR SWIFT
 LIVE DJ INBETWEEN SETS

DRAG RACING
 FULL ACCESS TO THE SPORTSMAN
 NATIONALS DRAG RACING EVENT

CRAFT WORKSHOPS - FREE TO JOIN

- ★ PAINT YOUR OWN POT
- ★ PAINT YOUR OWN TOTE BAG
- ★ BEDAZZLE YOUR OWN HAIRBRUSH OR CLAW CLIP

CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT

- ★ PACIFIC BOUNCE INFLATABLES
- ★ WONDERWHEELS - CIRCUS BIKES
- ★ FUNFAIR

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