

Friday 12th December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, our whole school came together at the church for a truly magical Nativity performance. The children amazed us with their beautiful singing, and it was wonderful to see learners of all ages supporting one another—from our youngest stars to our oldest role models. The sense of community and joy was evident throughout, and we couldn't be prouder of every child who took part. A huge thank you to everyone who was able to join us in the celebration—it was lovely to share this special occasion with you. As we look ahead, next week is another busy one, so please take a moment to look at the dates below. We truly appreciate all your support during this special and bustling time of year.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Ruston

There will be no praise assembly Monday 15th December due to the KS2 trip

Dates for your Diary

Monday 15th December- KS2 Theatre trip

Tuesday 16th December- EYFS/ KS1 Theatre trip (parents transporting children)

Tuesday 16th December – Year 5 & 6 carol singing at Hyne House

Wednesday 17th December- Christmas fair 15:00

Friday 19th December – Last day of autumn term

Monday 22nd December- Friday 2nd January- CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Monday 5th January – NON-PUPIL DAY

Tuesday 6th January- First day of Spring term

A Special Request for Forest School

If you have an **old Christmas tree** that you no longer need after the holidays, please consider saving it for us! We would love to use the branches and greenery in our **Forest School activities** next term.

Your contribution will help make our outdoor learning even more exciting and sustainable. Thank you for your support!

Start Point (Reception - Year 2)

Well done to everyone for the Nativity this week!

It was absolutely amazing – every single one of you acted and sang beautifully. What a lovely way to celebrate Christmas together as a school community!

This week, as geographers, we have been exploring maps and thinking about what the symbols on a map represent and why they are there. The children have enjoyed discovering how these symbols help us understand places and give us important information.





Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)

- Firstly, what an incredible nativity performance from the whole school, the singing was amazing and everyone should be very proud. We are now very much looking forward to the end of school year play after that!
- In English we are planning our persuasive letter. The children are deciding themselves to write about something they are passionate about, to try and convince their reader to agree with them using a balanced argument.
- On Thursday we welcomed Year 5 & 6 from West Alvington for the afternoon. It was great to connect with another school to share ideas and have fun together. We look forward to continuing this in the future.
- As scientists this week we have started an experiment to see whether you can grow new
 plants from cuttings of another plant. We are going to leave it over Christmas to see if
 anything has grown by the new year.





Attendance

Thank you for all your efforts to maximise the children's attendance.

The attendance this week can be seen on the table below.

Whole school attendance (Target 98%)	95.9%
Start Point (Year R- Year 2)	95.6%
Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)	96.1%

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week

Start Point (Year R- Year 2)	
	As Croft has a Theatre Trip on Monday 15 th December we
	will not have Praise Worship next week and therefore will
Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)	celebrate Stars of the week again in the New Year.

Home learning

Start Point (Year R- Year 2)	
Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)	 Reading at least 4 times each week. Times Tables Rockstars. Spellings.