



## Mrs Bennett's Blog

Thursday 19 April 2018

Hi Everyone,

What a beautiful start to the summer term we are having with this gorgeous sunshine! I know Year 4 are currently basking in the great weather, whilst on their residential in Windermere.

Our children work incredibly hard in school and are often quite hungry mid-morning. We encourage all the children to bring a healthy snack into school which they can enjoy at break time. This could be a piece of fruit, cucumber or carrot, flap jack, cheese, dried fruit etc, rather than a chocolate bar, doughnut or slice of cake. Of course, a balanced diet includes treats but these are on an occasional basis rather than a daily basis. Our breakfast club is also extremely popular and offers a great selection of healthy options for breakfast at only £2 a day. Children can attend breakfast club on a very flexible basis without need for booking or waiting lists and get a great start to their busy day of learning.

With the weather hopefully showing us that summer is just around the corner, please can you ensure that your child comes to school with their sun hat in their bag, a small tube of sunscreen and their water bottle. We will encourage all our children to apply their own sunscreen during the summer months and keep hydrated as much as possible during the hot weather. It is important that we teach the children how to enjoy the sun safely from the youngest of ages

### Safeguarding

**As it is the beginning of a new term, I just wanted to remind everyone who in school is responsible for ensuring everyone's safety and wellbeing. If you ever have any concerns about any child in our school, these are the people who will be able to help you immediately. We also have a 'safeguarding concern' button on our website where you can also report concerns.**



Nicola Bennett – Head teacher



Nina Dobson – Deputy Head teacher



Claire Thirkill – Deputy Head teacher – Safeguarding Lead



Rebecca Petrie – KS1 Leader



Jo Cattell – Learning Mentor

You may recall that towards the end of last term we asked parents to complete our annual survey. As always, we received an excellent response rate. Please see the results below. Our families made some really good suggestions of how we might improve our school even further. We will carefully consider these suggestions as we begin planning for the next academic year.

Question	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1. My child enjoys school.	68.97%	25.86%	3.45%	1.72%
2. The school keeps my child safe.	74.58%	22.03%	0.00%	3.39%
3. The school informs me about my child's progress.	54.24%	37.29%	6.78%	1.69%
4. My child is making good progress.	61.02%	33.90%	3.39%	1.69%
5. My child is taught well and enjoys learning.	66.10%	28.81%	1.69%	3.39%
6. My child is well looked after at school.	71.19%	27.12%	0.00%	1.69%
7. The school helps my child to understand healthy lifestyles.	50.85%	44.07%	3.39%	1.69%
8. The school makes sure that my child is well prepared for the future for example; changing year group/school.	58.62%	37.93%	1.72%	1.72%
9. The school meets my child's particular needs.	55.17%	37.93%	5.17%	1.72%
10. There is a good standard of behaviour at this school.	55.17%	41.38%	1.72%	1.72%
11. The school deals with any incidents of bullying effectively.	54.00%	36.00%	8.00%	2.00%
12. The school is led and managed effectively.	59.65%	35.09%	3.51%	1.75%
13. The school communicates well with families.	50.88%	40.35%	3.51%	5.26%
14. The school provides a range of extracurricular activities and educational visits.	55.17%	43.10%	0.00%	1.72%
15. I appreciate the additional facilities and service of Breakfast Club and After school care club provided by the school.	66.67%	29.63%	1.85%	1.85%
16. We are made to feel welcome at school.	65.52%	31.03%	1.72%	1.72%
17. The school helps me to understand how to help my child with their learning at home.	41.38%	48.28%	8.62%	1.72%
18. The school takes account of my suggestions and concerns.	43.86%	49.12%	5.26%	1.75%
19. I am happy with the quality of education my child receives at Crossflatts Primary School.	62.71%	33.90%	1.69%	1.69%
20. Would you recommend Crossflatts Primary School to another parent?	<u>Yes</u> 96.61%		No 3.39%	

On **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April** the photographers will be in School to take our annual Class Photos, please remember to send your children in their School Jumpers with their biggest smiles!

**Attendance:**

Here are last week's figures:

Our Aspirational Target	The national target	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
98%	96.1%	95%	96%	96.1%	95.6%	96.5%	95.6%	95.7%

There were 6 children late for school last week. (Before registration closed at 9am) and 1 children later than 9am

Here’s to a great summer term!

Mrs Bennett

Headteacher