

Our Vision and Values



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Mrs Bennett's Blog

Thursday 26th September

Hi Everyone,

At the end of this week, we will be almost half way through this half term already, it is moving at a zooming speed at the moment. I visited every classroom this week to look at all of the learning our children have been doing and the beginnings they have all made have been superb. The behaviour our children show in and out of their classrooms is so impressive and I can see they are just going to rocket this year. With a new school year comes lots of lovely fresh jumpers, cardigans, coats and bags, which I am seeing some beginning to go astray being left in places around school. Please can I ask that all children's belongings are labelled so we can keep every child united with their belongings and not see your hard earned money wasted.

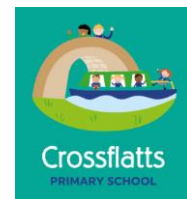
All Day, Every Day, The Crossflatts Way!

As you will be aware ensuring our children have very regular attendance is high on the national government agenda and the agenda of our local authority as well as on our school development plan. As a Bradford Council maintained school we follow Bradford Councils attendance strategy. There are only **190 days** in our school year and it is vitally important that all the children attend school every day, in order to gain the very most they can from the learning opportunities we provide at Crossflatts Primary School. The national target for attendance is **96%** and we are aiming to be above that target this year. In order to do so, we will be monitoring absences very closely and we are encouraging all our children to aim for at least **96%** attendance over the course of the year. Of course, we are all unwell from time to time and if there is a rare occasion your child is unwell and unable to come to school, please can I request that you telephone the school office to inform us of your child's absence no later than 8.30am. I also share your frustrations at the vast prices of holidays during school holiday **periods however we are not able to authorise any holidays during school time and we have to adhere to the Bradford Council attendance strategy.**

RAAC update

It feels like such a long time ago since we were in the eye of RAAC storm this time last year. The DFE have sent several architects into school since we returned this September to assess the current situation of the RAAC in the ceilings in the main school building in the areas affected and they are currently drawing up the best options for how this can be removed. We are working closely with Bradford council who have supported us from the very beginning to ensure we are provided with a programme of works and time line of the remedial work as possible from the DFE so that we can return back into the main school once this work has been completed. We lost 60% of our building due to RAAC and we have the learning village leased until January 2026 so I feel that this is a realistic deadline to be working towards when we consider those factors. As I learn more about the plans, I will of course share this with you all.




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We have several posts available in our school currently:

<p>Learning Support Assistant - SEN (Fixed Term) Closing Date: 7th October 2024</p> <p>Fixed Term - Full Time Crossflatts Primary School, BD16 2EP</p> <p>Learning Support Assistant to support pupils with Special Education Needs (SEN)- Fixed Term Band 4/5 -...</p> <p> View Job Details</p>	<p>Learning Support Assistant - SEN (Permanent) Closing Date: 7th October 2024</p> <p>Permanent - Full Time Crossflatts Primary School, BD16 2EP</p> <p>Learning Support Assistant to support pupils with Special Education Needs (SEN) Band 4/5 - Depending on...</p> <p> View Job Details</p>	<p>Lunchtime Supervisor Closing Date: 11th October 2024</p> <p>Fixed Term - Part Time Crossflatts Primary School, BD16 2EP</p> <p>Lunchtime Supervisor To start as soon as possible Band 3, £11.59 per...</p> <p> View Job Details</p>
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Attendance:

Here are last week's figures:

Whole School: 96.2%

Our Aspirational Target	The national target	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
98%	96.0%	95.7%	96.2%	96.4%	98.7%	95.8%	95.8%	94.6%

Next Thursday 3rd of October, is our school individual photo day, please ensure your child is in their full uniform and looking their smartest selves for their photograph!

Finally, we have just finalised our plans for our open day for our Reception September 2025 intake, which is on Saturday 9th November 2024. Please see the below image for more information about our Paddington Party Open Day. Please share with anyone you know who would like to join our Crossflatts family, as with the trend of the national birth rate falling families who live outside the catchment area have been granted a place.

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Crossflatts Primary School Paddington Party Reception open day on Saturday November 9th 2024 at 10am-2pm!

We have much sought after places for September 2025!

Crossflatts Primary School is an exceptional school with wonderful children, exciting learning and happy staff where children come as they are and leave at their best.

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We offer:

- An innovative and exciting curriculum
- Exceptional behaviour
- A bespoke outdoor Early Years area
- Well-kept extensive grounds
- A popular bike track
- An enchanting Forest School
- The cutest dog mentors
- A well-loved outdoor Reading Village
- A state-of-the-art ICT Suite
- An immaculate learning environment
- Many memorable educational visits in all year groups including two residentials
- Wrap around care from 7.30am – 6pm
- Delicious home-made lunches

"It is a unique experience for seven years of your life" – Freya, Year 6 Pupil

With the trend of the national birth rate falling, families who live outside the catchment area have been granted a place here at Crossflatts, even if you don't live in the catchment please do consider applying to join the Crossflatts family.

What to expect at our open day:

- Tour around the school with our teaching team and the opportunity to ask any questions
- Face Painting
- Meet Paddington Bear
- Many more Paddington surprises!

If you can not attend this event, please call the office for an alternative visit!



Please call the office on 01274 782070 to
book your place!



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Have a lovely weekend when it arrives!

Mrs Bennett
Headteacher

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