

# Our Vision and Values



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## Mrs Bennett's Blog

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November

Hi Everyone,

Mr Dobson has been working his socks off to be our Christmas decorations elf, he has done a gorgeous job...



## Christmas at Crossflatts...

It feels like Christmas is sneaking upon us at a pace, so I wanted to share some key dates for your diaries of Crossflatts Christmas celebrations. As you will be aware we are currently without a hall, we will be celebrating Christmas with all of our usual special traditions. Therefore, we are hosting all our nativities and performances at St Luke's church which is just up Morton Lane just like last year.

**-Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December- Nursery Songs and Sparkle event- 9.30am and 1.30pm**

**-Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Sparkle in School from Reception to Year 6- 1.45pm-2.45pm. This will also be Christmas Jumper day and Christmas lunch picnic box day. This will be followed with the Friends of Crossflatts Jingle Mingle straight after Christmas Sparkle.**

**-Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December- Years 2 & 3 Carol Concert- 9.45am and 1.15pm**

**-Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December- Year 1 Performance- 9.45am and 1.15pm**

**-Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December- Reception Nativity- 9.45am and 1.15pm**

**-Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December- Party Day (Come in your party outfits and normal lunchtime arrangements) with Friends of Crossflatts Secret Shop in the school day. (Parents not required)**

**-Friday 20<sup>th</sup> of December-Christingle Services- Year 1-6- Through the school day. (Parents not required)**

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## What is Christmas Sparkle?

For our new families in our Reception years- Christmas Sparkle is a tradition we have shared at Crossflatts Primary School for many years. On Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of December, from 1.45pm, we open our doors to our family to come into their child's classroom and step into the festive spirit making some Christmas decorations together to take home. School is always bursting with families and a trail of glitter around the building! If you have more than one child, please feel free to divide your time between your children's classrooms. It is a much loved event for all our children, we hope you will be able to join us.

## Jingle Mingle

### Friends of Crossflatts

A reminder that our next event, Jingle Mingle, will follow Christmas Sparkle on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. This will be in place of our annual Winter Fair which we hope will return in 2025. Come join us at The Willows and the KS1 playground where we will be serving refreshments and we have entertainment from the fantastic brass band, Phoenix Four to get us all in the festive spirit.

Our next meeting will be Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 9am in the Willows. All welcome to attend.



## Safeguarding

With the nights now drawing in much earlier and lots of our children travelling to and from school on bikes and scooters, see the top tips below on how the children can be bright and seen...

**5 top tips on how to  
BE BRIGHT & BE SEEN**

- 1** Brightly coloured or fluorescent clothing shows up well in daylight and at dusk when you're heading to and from school.
- 2** If you're out and about when it's dark, wear reflective gear to make sure you can be seen in car headlights. Reflective vests, sashes or wristbands work well. Remember, fluorescent clothing doesn't work after dark!
- 3** Don't forget to accessorise! Even small items such as clip-on reflectors, armbands and stickers on your outfit or school bag are a great way to improve your visibility.
- 4** If you like to cycle, remember that it's the law to have clean and working lights at night (white at the front, red at the back), as well as a rear reflector. It's good to fit spoke reflectors too.
- 5** Of course, 'Being Bright' isn't the only way to stay safer. If you're out at night, choose routes and crossing places that are well lit and remember to always use the Green Cross Code.

For more road safety tips, games and videos, visit the Tales of the Road website at [www.direct.gov.uk/talesoftheroad](http://www.direct.gov.uk/talesoftheroad)

**Be Bright, Be Seen** **THINK**

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## Attendance:

*'All Day, Every Day, The Crossflatts Way!'*

Here are last weeks figures: Whole School: 95.3%

Our Aspirational Target	The national target	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
98%	96.0%	88.0%	96.7%	96.9%	97.6%	93.6%	96.1%	96.7%

And finally, we bid a fond farewell on Friday to Mrs Oyedele, who many of you speak to regularly within our office team. Mrs Oyedele is off to begin a new chapter and weave her magic in a new role with a charity close to her heart. Thank you for all of your hard work and support you have brought to our school, children and their families over the four years you have worked with us. We send you off on your next adventure with our very best wishes and all the very best for the future.

*Hello  
December!*

It is definitely beginning to feel exciting with the beginning of December arriving next week and those advent calendars at the ready!

Kind regards

Mrs Bennett

Headteacher

**Family-Flourish-Fly**