



## Crowmarsh Gifford C of E Primary School & Pre School

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# Family Newsletter – November 2023

### Parent Governor Election

Thank you to all who voted in the Parent Governor Election and special thanks to all three candidates who stood for election: Mrs Clare Ahern, Mr David Evans & Mr Mike Garcia.

The count took place on Monday 6th November 2023. Mrs Clare Ahern received the most votes and has accepted the office. Mrs Clare Ahern, parent of Austin & Euan Ahern will now be appointed as parent governor.

Once more the Governors and I would like to thank all candidates.

### Christmas Cards

The Christmas cards has raised over £300 for the school. Thank you

### Builders bags

On the 24<sup>th</sup> November we are having the moss cleared of the roof. A family has kindly offered to take it away for us but we do need 'builders bags' so make the transportation easier. If you have any builders bags please would you donate them to the school before the 24th

### Communicating with us

**Email:** General concerns, Absence, Hoilday requests, Attendance..... Parents can email the school office directly. [office.3200@crowmarsh-gifford.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3200@crowmarsh-gifford.oxon.sch.uk)

**SeeSaw:** Learning Only. Please be aware that Teachers are not required to check SeeSaw daily. Important messages for Teachers should therefore go via the office email.

#### In person

Your child's class teacher is the first port of call for most communication

- In person at collection
- By appointment via the office

### Communication from school

**Our website** is the first port of call for information. General information emailed to you will be saved on the website for reference

**Email:** Most information. Whole school letters and flyers uploaded to the school website

**Paper Letters:** We keep these to a minimum, the majority of our communication is via email

**SeeSaw:** Learning Only.

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### In person:

- In person at collection
- By phone

### Homework

We received in to school some amazing pieces of homework since September, shields, models, projects, posters. It's lovely to share in the enthusiasm of the children when they bring in their work

### Egyptian Day

Year 3 & 4 enjoyed an amazing Egyptian day this week, the costumes were incredible. What a fun way to learn about the past!





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### Upcoming Events

**Thursday 9th November** Parent Reading Morning. 8:00 -8:40am. Bring your own coffee and come and read with your child.

**Week Beginning 13<sup>th</sup> November** Parents Evenings Further details to follow

**Friday 17th November** Children in need donate via Just Giving  
<https://www.justgiving.com/page/crowmarshgifford-childreninneed?newPage=true>

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December** Christmas Jumper Day  
Wear a Christmas Jumper & donate via Just Giving  
<https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/CJD230002603>

Christmas Fete (Times TBC 3pm – 6pm)

**Tuesday 12th December** Christmas Dinner in School  
Further details to follow

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** KS1 Nativity @ 2pm  
Please order tickets

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** KS1 Nativity @ 6pm  
Please order tickets

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December** EYFS & Year 6 Nativity @ 9:30am  
Please order tickets



Rock Steady Concert @ 2:30pm  
For parents of children who attend Rock Steady

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December** EYFS & Year 6 Nativity @ 9:30am  
Please order tickets

Year 3 - 5 Christmas Concert @ 6:30pm (outside)  
No tickets required

**Wednesday 20th December** School Closes for Christmas at 'normal' time

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024** School reopens for children & staff

### Term Dates 2023-2024

### Ticket Ordering Link

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/DesignPageV2.aspx?subpage=design&FormId=r2oS8fNU0UqAxiVmPLCdP9jiHbUpT7tJog6Dgt60YRpUN>





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**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December**  
**21 December - 5 January 2024**

School closes for Christmas (normal time)  
Christmas holiday

**8 January - 9 February 2024**  
**12 February - 16 February 2024**  
**19 February - 28 March 2024**  
**29 March - 12 April 2024**

Spring Term  
Spring half-term  
Spring Term  
Easter Holiday

**15 April - 24 May 2024**  
**15th April 2024**  
**27 May - 31 May 2024**  
**3 June - 24 July 2024**  
**3rd June 2024**

Summer Term  
Inset, school closed to children  
Late Spring half-term  
Summer Term  
Inset, school closed to children

### **Term Dates 2024-2025**

**4 September - 25 October 2024**  
**2 & 3 September 2024**  
**28 October – 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024**  
**4 November - 20 December 2024**  
**23 December - 7 January 2025**

Autumn Term  
Inset, school closed to children  
October half-term  
Autumn Term  
Christmas holiday

**6 January 2025**  
**7 January - 14 February 2025**  
**17 February - 21 February 2025**  
**24 February - 4 April 2025**  
**7 April - 23 April 2025**

Inset, school closed to children  
Spring Term  
Spring half-term  
Spring Term  
Easter Holiday

**22 April 2025**  
**23 April - 23 May 2025**  
**5 May 2025**  
**26 May - 30 May 2025**  
**2 June 2025**  
**3 June - 22 July 2025**

Inset, school closed to children  
Summer Term  
Bank Holiday  
Late Spring half-term  
Inset, school closed to children  
Summer Term



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### YOU MOVE Offers include:

**50% off at Better Leisure Centres**

**Free entry to Harcourt Arboretum**

**Free and low cost activities in school holidays**

**£5 tickets for Beale Park during term time.**

**Variety of offers with local clubs**

**Free entry to Aston Martin Museum**

YouMove is for families on benefits related free school meals, income related benefits, young carers, refugees and those in or on the edge of care





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### Low cost and free activities for families to enjoy together!

YouMove is brand new for Oxfordshire, providing low cost and free fun activities for families including weekends & school holidays.

Enjoy a fantastic range of activities including swimming, badminton, activity packs, children's holiday activities & so much more!

Find out more here:



YouMove is here to offer free and low cost activities for children on benefit related free school meals and their families.

**YOU**MOVE





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**James's** Sponsored 26 miles staged (marathon)  
**2023** walk and Halloween light show

To donate to BBC children in need ...

Please go to

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/james-rowley2023>

Or scan this QR code



<https://www.tasteeducation.com/tasted-at-home/>

**Brush DJ APP** Community Dental Services

Brush DJ is an award-winning, free toothbrush timer app that plays 2 minutes of music taken from the user's device to encourage brushing for an effective length of time.  
*Two minute timer with your favourite songs!*

Reminders to visit your dental professional!

"It is very fun for my son"

"It really did help with my teeth"

Reminders to floss!

"Great app for teenagers!"

Evidence-based age specific information is given as per the Public Health England toolkit 'Delivering Better Oral Health'.

Visit the Brush DJ website for more information, educational videos and to download the app.  
[www.brushdj.com](http://www.brushdj.com)

<https://www.communitydentalservices.co.uk/oral-health-improvement/family-fun-information/activities/>



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### Community News

**BARBERS of BENSON**  
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APPLE

South Oxfordshire's  
Premier Barbershop  
  
Pledge to donate  
£1 for every child's  
haircut to the PTA

  
ANDROID

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