

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



FIRST HALF OF THE AUTUMN TERM 2025

Term dates and welcome	What's happening/Things to note	Things to note/remember
<p>Autumn Term 2025 Staff Inset Day Tues 2 September First day of term Weds 3 September Half term Mon 20 – Fri 31 October (2 weeks) Last day of term Tues 16 Dec (12 noon) Please note change</p> <p>Spring Term 2026 Staff Inset Day Friday 2 January First day of term Monday 5 January Half term Monday 16 - Friday 20 February Last day of term Friday 27 March Staff Inset Day – Mon 30 March For information Easter weekend dates are: Good Friday 3 April, Easter Monday 6 April</p> <p>Summer Term 2026 First day of term Monday 13 April Bank holiday Monday 4 May Half Term Monday 26 - Friday 30 May Last day of term Friday 17 July (12 noon)</p> <p>TERM DATES ARE ALWAYS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE</p> <p>WELCOME We hope you have all had a wonderful summer, whatever you have been doing. We give a very warm welcome to all our new starters and their families and look forward to getting to know you all.</p> <p>PARENT REPRESENTATIVE Our Parent Representatives are Lauren (Millie's mum - and also had a son go through CEL) and Zoe (Louie's mum). I have labelled up on the WhatsApp group so you can identify them.</p> <p>WHATSAPP GROUP A WhatsApp group has been created for those of you who have this facility. This will help CEL to keep you quickly informed of any necessary information. You are, of course, welcome to opt out of this. This will be set up at the beginning of term when we can be certain that all children will attend CEL.</p>	<p>THEME FOR THIS HALF TERM During the first half of term we will be "All About Me". We will be talking about our families and friends and seeing what we can do. We would love to see a family picture that we can use to help us with this, so if you are able to provide one, in an envelope marked with your son/daughter's name, that would be really helpful. These will be returned to you.</p> <p>CHILDREN'S CREATIONS Most of our children love to be creative in some way during the morning and our project for the week usually involves art or craft or cookery - even our colouring sheets are themed for the week and will give you opportunity for chatting to your child and extending their learning. These will be sent out with your children at home time (you may wish to have a bag to hand in case there are a few or your child has chosen to model with 'junk').</p> <p>COLLECTION BOOK Please remember that if anyone different to usual is collecting your child, you must leave their details for the collection book with the member of staff at the door where you drop off your child. If in an emergency you are not able to collect your child as planned or by the finish times of either 12 noon, 1pm or 4 pm (depending on which sessions your child is attending), you must inform us so that we can begin to take back-up procedures. We can be reached on 07706 708211 – please make sure this is logged into your mobile. If you have not made the appropriate arrangements, we will be contacting you.</p> <p>TOYS AND OTHER PERSONAL BELONGINGS Children will not be permitted to bring any toys/personal belongings into preschool other than if your child requires nappy change or you are bringing lunch. All bags should be clearly named on the outside please.</p> <p>STAFF WORKING HOURS Please note that management and finance staff do not work outside of office hours, or at weekends. Any email queries will be dealt with on the next available preschool day.</p>	<p>UPDATING INFORMATION Please let Ginia know immediately if any of your contact details change (mobile phone number, address). This is particularly vital at the current time.</p> <p>ALLERGIES Please let Ginia/Andrea know immediately if your child develops any allergies, particularly to foods. In this respect, please can I remind you that nuts, or anything containing nuts, should not be brought in to the pre-school environment. Our snack list is sent out at the beginning of term and a copy is available on the parent portal of the website.</p> <p>CLOTHING Please ensure that all removable clothing is named in a place which can be easily seen and easily read, particularly bearing in mind that most children wear yellow polo shirts and sweat shirts and these all look the same to staff trying to find their owners. If you are planning to purchase new footwear please consider something which your child can manage on their own. Velcro fastenings are ideal, rather than laces which the under 5s really are unable to manage independently.</p> <p>POLICIES All relevant policies are available on our website. Hard copies are available to view within the setting</p> <hr/> <p>Crofton Baptist Church 100 Crofton Lane BR5 1HD www.croftonearlylearners.co.uk Preschool – 07706 708211</p> <p>Leader/Manager – Ginia Brown ManagerCroftonEarlyLearners@outlook.com</p> <p>Deputy – Andrea Dugay SENCo – Hazel Jones CroftonEarlyLearnersSENCO@gmail.com Finance Officer – Hannah Quashie croftonearlylearners@outlook.com Parent Reps – Lauren and Zoe Trustees croftontrustees2@gmail.com</p> <p>Church Office – 01689 877010</p>

