



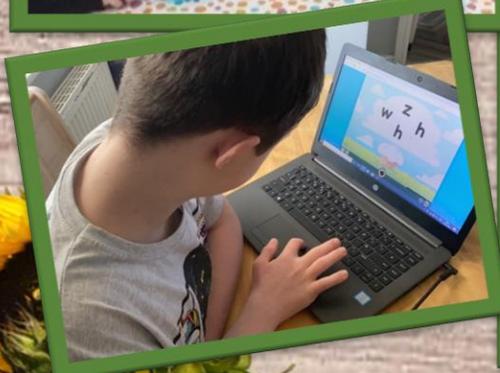
CROMWELL NEWS

SPRING 2021



LOCKDOWN LEARNING

It has been a difficult time for us all due to lockdown with many pupils staying at home to keep themselves and others safe. We at Cromwell would all like to thank everyone for working together to provide education for all our pupils, whether it be home learning or coming into school. It made us doubly determined to hit the ground running as nearly all the pupils were able to return from the 8th March. Here you can see the hard work our pupils have done. You should all be very proud of what you've achieved this term in such challenging circumstances.



RED NOSE DAY

This year's Red Nose Day theme was 'Funny is power'. Here you can see our pupils dressed up, taking part in sensory and craft-making activities and playing competitive games all in the name of charity. Thank you to everyone who made a donation – we have raised £102.55.



MINI ENTERPRISE

Some of our classes did a Mini Enterprise and created amazing items for sale. The amount of creativity our pupils have displayed is wonderful to look at. **Structured FE** made Easter chocolate goody bags as well as dog biscuits. **Sensory** created sensory stories using wooden spoons (the money raised totaling £280, going to Willow Wood). **4C** and **SD** made wooden bird boxes and bird feeders. **SD** also sold plants. Well done to everyone involved, you should be proud of your brilliant work.



ENRICHMENT

Things are beginning to get back to some normality and the vocational/enrichment education has resumed. Key Stage 4 pupils have been working on a Mini Enterprise, producing bird boxes and bird feeders. The pupils have been very committed/focused in these sessions, producing some very good quality items to sell. Maths and English have been embedded throughout the process, with the pupils' confidence and self-esteem increasing week on week.



ENRICHMENT



In Sensory sixth form this term at Linnet Clough, the pupils started off looking at 'Ice and Cold', creating ice ornaments with leaves and flowers we found around Linnet Clough. Exploring water at different temperatures, and watching water changed to ice. The pupils have baked their own cakes for Red Nose Day using cherries for the nose and experiencing 'funny is power'. Next term, we will be looking at new beginnings, growing our own butterflies, sunflowers and daffodils and learning about the life cycle of a frog.

LINNET CLOUGH



In Structured sixth form this term at Linnet Clough, the pupils learnt about bed making processes as part of Home Life as well as exploring and admiring the outdoors. They also took part in arts and crafts (such as a shamrock for St Patrick's Day) and made snacks for everyone to eat.



IMPORTANT MESSAGES

Please stay safe from covid!- the rates in Tameside remain high!

- Please follow the government guidance!
- It is very difficult and/or unsafe to test most of our pupils. However, we can test the people around our pupils- nearly all staff are testing twice a week and now it is possible for you to test all the members of your household who can test relatively easily and safely. If possible we would ask you to complete twice weekly home tests on all members of your family who can do them to keep covid out of school. Test kits are available, free, from: <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests> or pick them up from: Tameside collection sites which are at Beeley Street Car Park, and Darnton Road Car Park. They're open for collection from 1.30pm – 7pm everyday. You do not need to book a slot just turn up to collect a testing kit. Further updates on the Tameside situation are posted on the TMBC website.
- If our pupil develops symptoms within 48 hours of being in school you must let us know by through a direct message to Mr Foord on Dojo, email to admin@cromwell.tameside.sch.uk or leave a message on the school phone; 0161 338 9730
- **Thank you for all you are doing to keep Cromwell safe!**

Comings and Goings

Congratulations to Marie Gibson, Chris Read, Emma Brittain and Dawn Elliot for joining our permanent staff from their temporary positions.

Term Awards

Everyone has been so fantastic through these difficult times- thank you to you all!

Special thanks to all the parents who have been so supportive- especially those that have helped their children with remote learning! Wow! What a fantastic achievement.

In school we would like to particularly thank Luke Davenport for stepping up and succeeding at all the challenges of the last few months- enormously appreciated! Also Denise and team in 3D have done super stuff during the shielding period- huge thanks again!

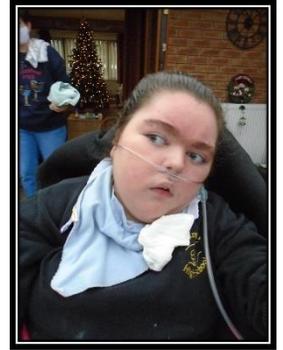
A massive 'well done' is also due to those staff who have battled back from post covid illness and are at or nearly back to full time support for our fantastic pupils- we really appreciate how hard it's been and celebrate your achievements!



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Deepest sympathy



It is with great sadness that we inform our school community that, Niamh Scanlon, passed away on Thursday 25^h March (from causes not related to the current pandemic). Niamh started at Cromwell in Year 5 and even though she has been home-schooled throughout she has still been a valued member of our school community. We will treasure our memories of her through photographs of her many achievements and hold a minute silence in her honour in school.

Not only will be celebrating Niamh's achievements during her home-schooling sessions, but we will be considering how her example shows us how precious life is and how we must live every moment to be the best we can be.

Our sincere condolence

Niamh was a pleasure to work with and loved participating in all activities. Niamh would join in online sessions with her peers and share photographs of her achievements each week in school assemblies. Niamh's peers loved seeing her during their online music lessons. Niamh will be sadly missed by all, especially the staff who had the joy of spending time with her at home, sharing all the things that Niamh loved to do such as cooking, going out and having a massage and stretches.

Our whole school would like to convey its deepest condolence to Niamh's family.

