

# The New Croft Club

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**NEWSLETTER: July 2018**



Dear Parents,



This warm weather looks set to continue and the children are now more accustomed to taking the necessary measures to keep themselves cool and hydrated by drinking lots of water, wearing hats, playing in the shade or moving indoors if they feel too hot. Luckily the school grounds have good shady play areas including the play structures on the island under the apple blossom trees, part of the field and sandpit and not forgetting the numerous dens hollowed out of the hedgerow along the edge of the field!

We have enjoyed lots of water play too, quieter play in our yard area using

containers, pipes and guttering plus sand and other bits and then more physical play in the big playground: We revisited the rules of engagement in watergun play (all made by the children and refined over the years) and tried something new as well – a water slide. This was very popular amongst those children who like their fun slippery, soapy and with a high probability of getting soaking wet! Indoors we find having the main lights off and our little fan on makes all the difference for the children wanting to spend the afternoon reading, creating or playing on the carpeted area.

**Summer Holiday Club:** I am finalising plans for this now and so please let us know if you are interested in booking any dates. The club runs from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July until Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September although we are closed on bank holiday Monday 27<sup>th</sup> August. Sadie will once again be Play leader while I am on my annual leave in August and will work alongside Rocky and Elena as the core staff team.

**After School Club September term:** Thank you to those parents who have already advised me of changes to their plans next term. I have drawn up the new registers and all spaces are now allocated. There might possibly be a further shake down when the new term starts and if so I will work my way down the waiting lists and inform you as soon as a space becomes free for your child. **If you do wish to cancel your space (Y6 leavers exempt) please let me know as soon as possible** otherwise in accordance with our admissions policy you booking will simply roll over to next term and you will be charged

**Website revamp:** Thanks to a generous donation we have been able to revamp our website. Please do take a look: [www.thenewcroftclub.co.uk](http://www.thenewcroftclub.co.uk) we have taken into account your responses from our parental survey and hope that you will find the content useful and easily accessible. Thank you for giving permission to use some beautiful photographs of your children playing - we feel they really help to illustrate the unique atmosphere of the Club! Over time I will add content such as holiday club plans /announcements / dates and so on. Website editing is a new skill set I will be mastering!

**Tracksuit Pants Appeal:** We are very short of tracksuit pants for children to change into when the need arises so when your children outgrow theirs donations would be most welcome please. These loose pants work well- children are not comfortable wearing jeans or trousers which do not belong to them but are content enough to slip on a pair of these elasticated waist track pants . Also, please remember to return them to us once washed if your child does use a pair!

Thank you for reading this newsletter. If you have any comments or questions, please don't hesitate to contact us either by catching our attention at the end of a session or by any of the following ways:

- Leave us a message in the message book in the school office. NB: This communication may be viewed by other parents using the message book and school staff
- Phone/text us on mobile no. 07812798195
- email Maureen at [thenewcroftclub@gmail.com](mailto:thenewcroftclub@gmail.com)
- Telephone 01223 311437 during club hours.
- Further information including all recent newsletters and Booking and Registration forms may be found on our website [www.thenewcroftclub.co.uk](http://www.thenewcroftclub.co.uk)

Best Wishes,  
Maureen