

CROWSTOG NEWS

DECEMBER EDITION 2025-2026



Message from Mrs Lewis:

As we come to the end of a busy and joyful December, I want to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful events we've shared as a school community. Our Nativity performance was a heartwarming reminder of the magic of Christmas, and the KS2 Christmas Concert showcased the incredible talent and confidence of our pupils. A particular highlight was our whole-school trip to the Brewhouse Theatre to see *The Nutcracker*—a truly memorable experience that brought festive cheer to all.

I'd like to take this opportunity to remind families of the importance of good attendance. Every day in school matters, and regular attendance ensures children make the most of their learning opportunities.

Please also keep up with daily reading over the holidays. Just a few minutes each day makes a big difference and helps maintain the progress children have worked so hard to achieve this term.

Finally, on behalf of all the staff, I wish you a very happy and restful Christmas. We look forward to welcoming the children back on **Tuesday 6th January** for another exciting term ahead.



Sporting success!

December has seen a wide range of sporting opportunities for the children including Year 5 & 6 hockey event and Year 3 & 4 Dance festival. Do look out for further opportunities for the children to represent the schools in the Spring term



Nativity

The Reception and KS1 children delighted the school community with their performances of **The Twinkly Nativity**, a joyful and sparkling retelling of the Christmas story. Through confident singing, expressive actions and wonderful teamwork, the children shared the message of hope, kindness and celebration, making us all very proud of their hard work and enthusiasm.



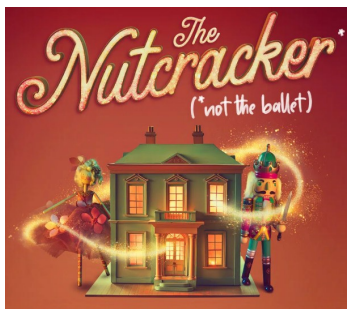
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Together, let us Love, Encourage, Achieve and Flourish

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Whole School Theatre Visit

Our school enjoyed a magical theatre trip to **The Nutcracker** at the **Brewhouse Theatre in Taunton**. Pupils were swept up in the enchanting story of Clara and her Nutcracker doll as they journeyed through a world of festive wonder, filled with adventure, bravery and friendship. The production combined live music and imaginative staging to bring this classic Christmas tale to life in a joyful and memorable way. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to experience live performance and celebrate the season together.



Attendance to date this year (Autumn Term 2025)

	Crowcombe	Stogumber
Reception	97%	97%
Year 1	94%	97%
Year 2	97%	97%
Year 3	95%	95%
Year 4	89%	97%
Year 5	94%	95%
Year 6	97%	96%

"Every day counts! Regular school attendance builds good habits, keeps students on track, and sets them up for success. Let's work together to make sure our kids don't miss a moment of learning!"

Stogumber Christmas Adventure

The children in Reception and KS1 undertook a Christmas adventure, map reading as they ventured through the village in search of the missing Christmas tree! Once located it took team work to carry it back to school, ready to be decorated! Christmas happiness was spread throughout the village by singing at the Community Christmas lunch, delivering Christmas cards to members of the community and making wreaths to decorate the school.



KS2 Christmas Concert

Our KS2 Christmas Concert was a joyful celebration of music and community spirit. The children sang and performed with confidence and enthusiasm, filling the hall with festive cheer and leaving everyone feeling proud and uplifted.



New Website

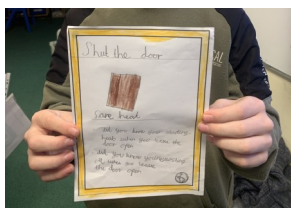
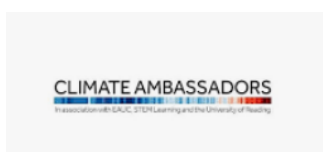
We are please to let you know that our new website is now live! Please do take a look and remember to check back regularly.

<https://www.crowcombeandstogumberprimaryschools.co.uk/>



Climate Ambassadors

Thank you to everyone who responded to Mr Wedderkopp's survey. We have lots of ideas for how we can develop our Climate Action Plan and wonderful offers of help and support. The children in Kingfisher's class have made poster to begin spreading the word of some small steps we can all make—even the small things can make a difference.



Wellington School Maths Challenge

Our year 6 representatives for the Maths challenge represented the schools brilliantly—showing determination, teamwork, and real problem-solving spirit, even with a player down. We were incredibly proud of their optimism and the way they supported one another throughout the challenge.



DIARY DATES

- 5 January - **INSET day**
- 6 January - **Spring term starts!**
- 9 January - **Yr 2 Forest School**
- 15 January - **Closing date for Reception 2026 starting school**
- 16 January - **Yr 1 Forest School**
- 22 January - **Sportshall Athletics final, Richard Huish, am**
- 23 January - **Yr 5 / 6 Forest School**
- 30 January - **Yr R Forest School**
- 4 February - **KS1 to East Quay, Watchet, am**
- 6 February - **Parents Forum, Beacon Room , Stogumber 9.00am**
 - **Yr 3 / 4 Forest School**
- 9 February - **Yr 4 Net/Wall Festival, Blackbrook, am**
- 13 February - **Stogumber Forest School**
 - **Family Service, Stogumber 2.30pm**
- w/c 16 February **Half term holiday**