

CROSSACRES NEWSLETTER

15th October 2021

PARENTS EVENING

We will be holding Parent's Evening on **Wednesday 20th October** and **Thursday 21st October**. We look forward to seeing you.

SILVER STORIES



We are going to be taking part in a new project called Silver Stories. Children, known as *Silver Readers*, telephone a *Silver Listener* (an older person) every week and then read a short story or poem to them. This not only helps the children to become more confident in their reading skills but also links our children to the older members of our communities and helps diminish their chances of feeling isolated. If you have an elderly relative or neighbour who you think would benefit from a silver story then please talk to your child's class teacher.

SCHOOL PETS

Today some of school council members went to Pets at Home to choose our new school pets. We have welcomed two Guinea Pigs, two Syrian Hamsters and two Goldfish into school. The children will choose their names by voting for the name they like best, they will also be voting for an animal charity to fundraise for throughout the year.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thank you to everyone who sent in donations for Wythenshawe Foodbank. The children have enjoyed the assemblies with Reverend Abby Oigner from St Richards Church in Peel Hall.



SPONSORED NURSERY RHYME CHALLENGE

On **Thursday 21st October** we will be completing a Nursery Rhyme Sing-a-thon. Nursery and Reception children will be learning, off by heart, a number of familiar Nursery Rhymes to raise money for school funds. Nursery rhymes are so important for our young children because they help children develop an ear for our language. Both rhythm and rhyme help children hear sounds and syllables in words, which helps children learn to read.



FREE SCHOOL MEAL VOUCHERS IN OCTOBER HALF TERM

Once again the City Council are funding vouchers if you are eligible for benefits related free school meals. You will therefore receive a £15 voucher so please look out for an email from Huggg just before we break up. Please ensure that we have your correct email address.

School will close for Half Term on **Friday 22nd October** and school will reopen at 8.40am on **Monday 1st November**. Enjoy your break!

