

Cranford Park C of E Primary School NEWSLETTER

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The walls have been echoing with the sound of singing over the past couple of weeks as we prepare for various events coming up. Our Year 5 and 6 children have impressed us enormously as they take on our first upper Key Stage 2 performance, which I hope will become a tradition of the school. This is certainly a show worth watching, whether your children are in it or not, so please do consider coming along with your families to enjoy the show. Our ticket letter will be out soon!



We wish our KS2 children the best of luck on Monday as they compete in the 2024 District Athletics competition. They certainly do look smart in their new kit! Our thanks again to our sponsor *Hampshire* Staircase Refurbishments for this. Good luck children!

Staffing Changes

We are very sad to announce that Mrs Asto will be leaving us at the end of this term. Those who think teachers start and stop working when the children do are sadly mistaken; the job demands a great deal of additional work to plan, resource and assess the children's learning, as well as to carry out the additional duties teachers have to do in their various leadership roles. Our team work incredibly hard and this is now beginning to impact on Mrs Asto's family time. She has therefore made the understandable decision to to step back from teaching altogether for a while to focus on her young family. We will certainly miss her positive energy and enthusiasm and I do hope

she will stay in touch with us! After a strong round of interviews, we are pleased to welcome Miss Eloise Strudwick to join our staff team from September 2024.



RECEPTION CLASS TRIP



Year R visited Wellington Country Park on their school trip recently. They had a fun-filled day full of exciting things including going on a nature hunt, exploring colour and texture, jumping on the bouncy pillow, going on a train ride, seeing some dinosaurs, exploring many play parks and seeing lots of animals on the farm!



















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Please support us with our **Tesco In-Store Voting!**

We are delighted to let you know that our application to Tesco Stronger Starts has been successful and our project will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores. Voting will commence in store from the first week in July 2024 until the end of September 2024.



Mrs Martin has applied to support the financing of our Forest School area and has plans to make it even better!

The project with the highest number of votes will receive £1,500, the second placed project £1,000 and the third placed project £500, so please do let all your friends and family to vote for us! Stores which will vote on our project are:

2334 Balmoral Dr Camberley GU16 8UR

Sandhurst GU47 0FD 3149

Yateley Express GU46 7UH 3469

4622 Sandhurst Yorktown GU47 9DX

4816 Farnborough GU14 9BL

5025 Darby Green GU17 0LL

6684 Blackwater London GU17 0AE

To check the location of any of the above stores, please go to the Tesco website

here: http://www.tesco.com/store-locator/uk



To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token.

Once voting has concluded in store, votes will be collated during the month of October and we will be notified of the outcome of the public vote during early November.

Please give us your votes!
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Brilliant Bug Ball!



To end their mini-beast topic, Year R had a Brilliant Bug Ball 🦣 😿 😭 . They had a fun filled day, starting off by trying to escape the giant outdoor spiders web 👸. They then had wiggly worm and hoola hoop caterpillar 🔓 races. They also baked and decorated mini-beast biscuits and made a hungry caterpillar bracelet!

















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Year 3 Sleepover

Our year 3 children had a wonderful time at their recent sleepover, although there was certainly not much sleeping going on for most of the evening! The children enjoyed their barbecue dinner before engaging in a



range of games and activities, including roasting marshmallows for smores in our new Forest School fire pit.

We were delighted to welcome Mrs Richards back to school for the evening and she did a sterling job at keeping the staff awake all night!





This is a wonderful way to prepare our children for the longer residential experiences to come.

My sincere thanks to all those who helped out, but particularly to Mrs Martin, Mrs Russell, Mrs Garden





and Mrs Richards, who supported with the

organising and then stayed awake all night with me.

That is certainly 'going over and above' and without their kindness, we would not be able to run such events.



Letting Their Light Shine!



Our congratulations to Ava, who was awarded 'gymnast of the month' for May. Her confidence has really grown in her class since the start of the year and each week, all the coaches can see the effort she is putting in, which is lovely to hear! Well done!

We also congratulate Reuben and Orrin who participated in their Rugby Club annual tour recently.

It was a very successful weekend for the boys, with Reuben's team winning their



group and
Orrin's team
winning all
matches. I was
delighted to
hear that the

teams get scored on their values, such as teamwork, respect, enjoyment, discipline and sportsmanship as well as on the number of tries they get. Well done, boys!

Finally, our hats off to Eden, who recently brought in 47p of her own pocket money, as she wanted to donate it to the Make a Wish Foundation. We were very proud of her for her generosity and she has certainly let her light shine! Well done, Eden!



If your child has 'Let their light shine' outside



of school, in a sporting event, with their kindness to others, their courageous advocacy, or by making you proud in any way, please do let us know, as we would love to share their achievements with others! Thank you.

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University Spotlight

Following a very successful sale by the **Faculty of Economics**, the children have made £98 profit! They celebrated with doughnuts donated by Miss Singer whilst they evaluated what we learned. Move over Richard Branson and Elon Musk! Reuben and Kaidan reported on behalf of *Stressbusters* about the important skills learned by these leaders of the future:

"We are in the University of Economics and among other things, we have learned about profit... about advertising a product, slogans and so much more! We worked well as a team and were proud of the product and profit we made."





In the faculty of Health, fitness and nutrition, children enjoyed drawing around members of their group and trying to work out which muscles were where.

They learned that muscles can only pull in one direction, so they have to work with another muscle which can create the opposite movement. Lots of the names of muscles are very long - we especially liked learning about the gluteus maximus!









Drowning Prevention week 15-22nd June

Drowning is preventable, yet over 300 lives are lost to drowning across the UK and Ireland each year. In 2022 there was a reported 46% increase in the number of children drowning in the UK compared to the five year average. Take a moment to look at the booklet below which can be reached via the link: **'Water Safety Advice for you and your families'.**



HEALTH SUPPORT

See the following advice on how to deal with common summer conditions and injuries...



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We are delighted to be, once again, inviting you to a Summer Arts Festival on the afternoon of Tuesday 25th June, weather permitting. For those who were not with us last year, this is an opportunity for our children to perform and we will have some art, some music, some drama and some dance to share with you. Your children will be able to let you know if they are performing and we will send out a programme of events nearer the time. As with our sports day, you can bring along your own deckchairs or blankets to sit on while you enjoy the show.

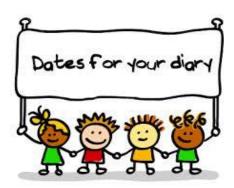


You should, by now, have received a separate letter detailing the arrangements for our Sports Day. Please ask in the office if you haven't had it! Please don't forget to order lunches in advance if you would like a school lunch on that day!



Our 'Moving Up' morning is an opportunity for our children to spend the morning with their new teacher! On the morning of Thursday 4th July, children will be told who their teachers will be for next year. They will then

go to spend the morning in their new classroom with their new teachers. A letter will come home to you that day letting you know who your child's new teacher will be. You will have an opportunity to say 'hello' to them during our Display of Work Evening on Thursday 11th July from 3.30pm until 5pm.



New and changed dates are given in bold

Mon 17th June: District Sports

Tues 18th June: Year 5 Road Safety Workshop Tues 18th June: Year 6 Digital workshop - Wellbeing Wed 19th June: Y6 to Winchester Leavers' Service

Wed 19th June: Y5 swimming

Wed 19th June: Kids Out event – by invitation Wed 19th June: New intake induction session 2 Thurs 20th June: Y5 to Wellington College challenge day

Fri 21st June: Year 3 class assembly Fri 21st June: Summer Fair 3.30pm

Mon 24th June: New intake induction session 3

Mon 24th June: **Provisional - Y4/Y6 African Drumming**

workshop

Tues 25th June: Wed 26th June

Summer Arts Festival 1.30pm Year 6 'It's your move' transition workshop in afternoon - St Peter's Fri 28th June: Sports Day (parents picnic and afternoon)

Tues 2nd July: 3.30pm PTA Meeting - please support! Wed 3rd July: Y6 Yateley Transition Day Thurs 4th July:

Moving up day Fri 5th July: Year 2 class assembly

8th-9th July: Y4 Residential Bushcraft Experience Mon 8th July: Year 6 performance dress rehearsal Tues 9th July: Year 6 performance - details to follow Wed 10th July: Year 6 performance – details to follow Wed 10th July: Basketball workshops - cancelled Thurs 11th July: 3.30 - 5pm Display of Work Evening

w/b 15th July: Y6 Residential Week Fri 19th July: Year 4 class assembly

Mon 22nd July: 1 pm Y6 Leavers' Service at the church Tues 23rd July: Break up for summer holiday 1.15pm

Mon 2nd Sept INSET DAY Tues 3rd Sept: **INSET DAY**

Wed 4th Sept: Children return to school

Wed 11th Sept: 'Meet the Teacher' parents' evening Wed 11th Sept: Yr R Reading Meeting 2.30pm & 5.30pm, Tues 24th Sept: Yateley School Taster Day (Y6 2024-25)

Wed 25th Sept: Yateley School Open Evening

Mon 7th Oct: Y5 Bikeability Week Fri 25th Oct: Y6 Space Workshop

w/b 18th Nov Flu jabs

Thurs 19th Dec: KS2 Xmas Service at the church 1.30pm Fri 20th Dec: Break up for Xmas holiday at 1.15pm



Our summer fair is on Friday 21st June straight after school. Please do

support our PTA by offering to man a stall for a while if you can!

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