



CRANBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

As we reach the end of another school year, I wanted to take a moment to say a heartfelt thank you to every one of you.



This year has brought its highs and lows, as every year does, but what has stayed constant is the **incredible support** you have shown our school. Whether it's attending events, supporting your child's learning at home, volunteering your time, or simply trusting us with your most precious children each day – we see it, and we are deeply grateful for it.

I want you to know how proud we are of every single child. They have grown, learned, laughed, made mistakes, and picked themselves back up again – and that is exactly what education should be about. **Watching them flourish this year has been a privilege.**

This summer also brings the World Cup and as a keen football fan, I'll admit I'm biased when I say there's nowhere quite like the buzz of a big match! It's a brilliant event, and a wonderful chance to talk with our children about the way sport can bring nations, cultures and faiths together on the same pitch. It's a lovely reminder and a real opportunity to show our children the joy of **celebrating our differences**, helping the next generation grow up, just as we hope they will, seeing diversity as something to be embraced, not just tolerated. Enjoy the tournament, and may the best team win!

A special goodbye to our year 6s. You have left a positive mark on our school! Remember that you can achieve great success through kindness and dedication, in any task or challenge. We wish you all the best in year 7. Do come back and visit us!

As we head into the summer break, **I wish you and your families a wonderful, restful, and joyful holiday.** I hope it's filled with rest, laughter, and precious time together.

A few ideas for the holidays

Locally: Redbridge's free summer ideas include Wanstead Park, Valentines Mansion, local libraries, and outdoor gyms

(redbridge.gov.uk/discover/news/10-free-things-to-this-summer).

The Redbridge Holiday Mega Mix offers £1 swim sessions and £1 cinema screenings for children aged 8–16 (visionrcl.org.uk). The free Fabula Reading Challenge runs at Redbridge Libraries until 14 September for ages 2–12.

Further afield: Many museums (Natural History, Science, V&A) offer free entry, as do National Trust grounds and gardens.

If you need support:

If things are difficult this summer, please reach out – you don't have to manage alone. Contact the Council's Family Help Service on 020 8708 3885 (Mon–Fri, 9am–5pm) or Families Information Direct on 0800 587 7500. The school office email will be checked occasionally. If you have any safeguarding concerns, please see guidance on our website on who to contact.

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**LAST DAY OF THE
TERM: FRIDAY 17TH
JULY 2026**

**FINISHING TIMES FOR
ALL YEAR GROUPS
ARE:**

**11AM:
YEAR 6**

**1PM:
RECEPTION, YRS 1,2
& 3**

**1.10PM:
YRS 4 & 5.**



Key Term Dates 2026-2027



First day back for Children:
Monday 7th September, 2026.

Autumn Term 2026



Term:

Wednesday 2nd September to Friday 23rd October 2026

Half term break

Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October 2026

Term:

Monday 2nd November to Friday 18th December 2026

Spring Term 2027

Term:

Monday 4th January to Friday 12th February 2027

Half term break

Monday 15 February 2027 – Friday 19 February 2027

Term:

Monday 22nd February to Thursday 25th March 2027

Bank holidays: Friday 1st January, Friday 26th March, Monday 29th March 2027

Summer Term 2027

Term:

Monday 12th April 2027 to Friday 28th May 2027

Half term break

Monday 31 May 2027 to Friday 4 June 2026

Term:

Monday 7th June 2027 to Thursday 22nd July 2027

Bank holidays: Monday 3rd May, Monday 31st May 2027

Inset Days

Autumn INSET DAYS

Wednesday 2nd September 2026

Thursday 3rd September 2026,

Friday 4th September, 2026

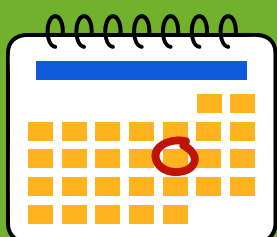
Monday 9th November, 2026

(Parents meetings from 1pm)

Spring INSET DAY

Monday 1st March, 2027

(Parents meetings from 1pm)



Sports Day Success



Thank you for attending our sports days!

The children demonstrated fantastic enthusiasm, determination, teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the competitions. It was wonderful to see so many personal achievements and successes, with every child giving their very best. We are extremely proud of all our pupils for their effort, encouragement of others and positive attitudes. Children received their medals in a special assembly.

The results are in for the winning classes per year group:

Year 1: Yellow

Year 4: Blue

Year 2: Red

Year 5: Red

Year 3: Green

Year 6: Red



Well done to everyone who took part, making Sports Day such a memorable event. It was awesome to have so many parents and carers out supporting the children!



Summer Fair



I wanted to take a moment to extend a heartfelt thank you for your generous donations to our Summer Fair, which was held last week.

Your contributions played a significant role in the success of the event and we hope you enjoyed all the activities and wonderful stalls.

I'm thrilled to share that we raised an incredible total of £1600! This is an incredible achievement.

Thank you!!

We would love to hear your ideas and suggestions on how we can make it even better next year!



Sustainability Corner



We are delighted to welcome you back to our Sustainability Corner, where we celebrate the fantastic environmental work taking place across our school. Our pupils, staff and wider community continue to work together to make our school greener, healthier and more sustainable, and we are excited to share the latest updates with you.

Sustainability continues to play an increasingly important role within our curriculum, helping pupils develop the knowledge, skills and values they need to become responsible global citizens who care for both their local environment and the wider world

What's New This Term?



Sustainability Across the Curriculum

Every year group has taken part in dedicated sustainability lessons through our Kapow curriculum. These lessons support pupils in developing a deeper understanding of environmental issues, helping them explore themes such as protecting natural resources, reducing waste, biodiversity, climate change and the impact of human choices on the planet.

By embedding sustainability across the curriculum, pupils are encouraged to become thoughtful problem-solvers who understand the challenges facing our environment and recognise the positive actions they can take in their own lives.

Learning Beyond the Classroom

As with last term, our children have continued to investigate local issues through geography fieldwork lessons. Pupils have explored their local environment by collecting data, observing changes in their surroundings and considering how places are used and improved.

These practical investigations allow children to develop important geographical skills while making meaningful connections between their classroom learning and real-world issues within their own community. Through fieldwork, pupils are encouraged to ask questions, gather evidence and think about how their findings can help shape positive change.

Clean Air Champions

We are proud to be taking part in the Asthma + Lung UK Clean Air Champions campaign. As part of this project, we will be monitoring and analysing air pollution levels around our school to better understand the quality of the air in our local area. Using this information, we will identify practical initiatives that can help reduce pollution and improve air quality, such as promoting active travel, reducing engine idling outside school and encouraging other positive environmental actions. We look forward to sharing our findings and the steps we take throughout the year to create a healthier environment for our school community.



Food Ambassador



In September, we will be welcoming a Food Ambassador into school. Our Food Ambassador will be working with our pupils to explore:

- how we can reduce food waste both at school and at home;
- the benefits of introducing more Meat Free Days;
- the importance of eating a more plant-based diet for both our health and the environment;
- practical ways families can make sustainable food choices together.

We look forward to sharing what the children learn and encouraging everyone to consider small changes that can have a positive impact on both our planet and our wellbeing.



Community Days

Following the success of our recent community gardening event, we are excited to share that more Community Days are on the horizon.

These events provide opportunities for families, pupils and staff to work together on projects that improve our school environment and support our sustainability goals.

Whether it is gardening, habitat creation, litter picking or other eco-projects, we look forward to welcoming our school community to get involved. **Keep an eye on future newsletters for dates and further details**



Community Litter Picking

Our popular community litter-picking events will return during the Autumn Term. Dates will be announced shortly, and we hope many families will be able to join us as we work together to keep our local environment clean, safe and litter free.



Gardening at Cranbrook



The school garden is flourishing!

Pupils have already been enjoying this inspiring outdoor environment where lessons can take place while encouraging children to connect with nature and appreciate the biodiversity around them. They have especially enjoyed visiting the planters, where, amongst other things, we have potatoes, onions, strawberries, courgettes and giant pumpkins.

Our garden has been giving pupils the opportunity to see first-hand how food can be grown sustainably. This year, we harvested approximately 4kg of plums, which were transformed into delicious homemade jam.

This has been a wonderful example of sustainability in action, helping children understand where food comes from, the importance of reducing food waste and how we can make the most of the resources available within our own school environment. Growing our own produce also supports our wider sustainability aims by encouraging biodiversity, reducing food miles and providing valuable opportunities for outdoor learning.

It has been a joy to watch the garden take shape. Much has only been possible thanks to the hard work of many staff and parents who attended Community Day.

Thank you also to the team of parent and staff helpers who have been helping selflessly on Thursday afternoons.

We look forward to continuing to develop our garden and exploring more ways it can support learning and well-being across the school.



Looking Ahead

Over the coming months we will continue to:

- develop pupil leadership through our Eco-Champions;
- identify further ways to reduce waste, save water and conserve energy;
- encourage sustainable travel;
- work on our Clean Air Champions campaign by analysing pollution data and identifying ways to improve air quality;
- welcome our Food Ambassador to help us reduce food waste and make sustainable food choices;
- continue developing our school garden and opportunities for outdoor learning;
- host more Community Days that bring pupils, families and staff together to make a positive difference;
- continue exploring renewable energy and other ways to improve the sustainability of our school.

We'd Love Your Help!

If you can support our journey towards becoming an even more sustainable school, we'd love to hear from you.

Please email admin@cranbrookprimary.redbridge.sch.uk if you would like to get involved or share your ideas.

Together, we can continue building a greener future for our children, our school and our wider community





YEAR 6 EVENTS



Year 6 Flag Competition

As part of their final project, Year 6 pupils designed their own world cup flags and presented them in French, explaining their colours and symbols with confidence and creativity. Congratulations to our medal winners for their outstanding effort, language skills and imaginative designs.

6R
1st Anisa
2nd Gavin
3rd Nura



6G
1st Zahid
2nd Mattias
3rd Aniella



6B
1st Arush
2nd Ubaid
3rd Ahraz



6Y
1st Kanav
2nd Kayla
3rd Alinne

Year 6 Leaver's Assembly Friday 17th July

Dear Year 6 Parents / Carers,

We hope you enjoyed the leavers assembly and the Year 6 party yesterday!

Souvenirs and programmes were on sale, we hope you managed to take home some precious memories from your amazing journey at Cranbrook.

Many thanks,
Joe



Year 6 Leaver Party

Year 6 children, parents/carers and staff should be incredibly proud of the awesome party they put together to celebrate the year 6 children and all their hard work, growth and achievements.

Through bake sales and amazing efforts a really memorable party was enjoyed on the Friday yesterday. We couldn't be more proud of everyone and loved seeing the joy and laughter!





Summer Holiday Camp at Newbury Park Primary School

From Super Star Sport:

We are delighted to inform you that if your child is eligible for benefit-related free school meals, they are entitled to 16 days completely free at one of our exciting Super Star Sport Holiday Camps this SUMMER!

We will be delivering holiday camp provision on the following dates: Monday 27th July – Friday 31st July Monday 3rd August – Friday 7th August Monday 10th August – Friday 14th August Monday 17th August – Friday 21st August The closest camp to your school is held at Newbury Park Primary School Perrymans Farm Road Ilford IG2 7LB

Super Star Sport Multi Activity Camps include a wide range of sports, games & activities, with the aim to encourage children to lead an active & healthy lifestyle.

Our camps provide a fantastic opportunity for children to stay active, have fun, and make new friends in a safe and engaging environment.

To book your child's FREE place
<https://eequ.org/book/super-star-sport-newbury-park-haf-camp-with-super-star-sport-oell3922>

Spaces are limited, so we encourage you to book as soon as possible to secure your child's place. If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Super Star Sport



SUPER STAR SPORT

SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMP

ACTIVE. FUN. UNFORGETTABLE!

27TH JULY - 17TH AUGUST
MONDAY - FRIDAY

NEWBURY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
Perrymans Farm Rd, Ilford IG2 7LB

AGES 4 - 12 YEARS
08:45am - 3:15pm
Tax - Free Childcare Accepted

PRICES

Full Week	£60
Full Day	£18
Half Day	£10
Half Day Week	£35

SIBLING DISCOUNT:
Use code **SIBLINGS10**

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT:
Use code **SUMMER26EB**

ACTIVITIES

- Multi-Sports- Football, Dodgeball, Basketball & Athletics
- Gymnastics & Ninja Warrior Challenges
- Water Fight Days
- Obstacle Courses & Team Challenges
- Creative Activities & Games
- Competitions, Prizes & Daily Rewards

BOOK NOW!

Scan the QR code to book online or visit www.superstarsport.co.uk

Use code: **SUMMER26EB** (Early Bird)

SAFE & SECURED Environment **EXPERIENCED DBS CHECKED Coaches** **FUN, SAFE & INCLUSIVE Environment** **CHILDREN BUILD CONFIDENCE & MAKE FRIENDS**

MAKE MEMORIES. LEARN NEW SKILLS. HAVE FUN!
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Redbridge Outdoor Arts/Summer Camp

Save the Date! Redbridge Outdoor Arts returns this July, bringing free, inclusive theatre, dance and circus performances in Barkingside and Ilford for local children and their families.



Saturday 20 & Sunday 21 June
Ramshacklicious
and Hijinx
TRUTH!



Join us for FREE theatre, circus,
music and dance on
a high street
near you.



Saturday 25 & Sunday 26 July
Nandita Shankardass
Roots to Rise

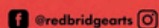


Saturday 22 & Sunday 23 August
Stopgap Dance Company
RO-TES JIGS



Saturday 26 & Sunday 27 September
Company DHW
GO GRANDAD, GO!

SAVE THE DATES
June to September 2026
Barkingside on Saturdays
and
Ilford Town Centre on Sundays



@redbridgearts



visionrcl.org.uk/ROA



REDBRIDGE OUTDOOR ARTS

JULY

Nandita Shankardass ROOTS TO RISE

A dance performance celebrating
heritage and community

Plus, on Saturday 25 July...

COMMUNITY PERFORMANCES

ART WORKSHOPS
with Barkingside Art Club

ARTS AWARD AND CRAFTS

Saturday 25 July
Ken Aston Square, Barkingside
11am and 2pm

Sunday 26 July
Ilford Town Centre
1pm and 3pm



FREE theatre, circus, music and
dance on a high street near you.

Share the
experience!



visionrcl.org.uk/ROA

@redbridgearts



Redbridge Outdoor Arts is part of Without Walls, a network of organisations bringing innovative outdoor arts to towns and cities across England. Find out more on withoutwalls.uk



Hosted by: Clore Tikva School
115 Fullwell Avenue, Barkingside, IG6 2JN

DATES

- Week commencing 27 July 2026
- Week commencing 3 August 2026
- Week commencing 24 August 2026

WHO CAN ATTEND?

- Children in Reception to Year 6
- Includes Clore Tikva Nursery children who are due to start Reception in September 2026
- Open to the wider community

TIMES

- Drop-off: 9:00am
- Collection between 3:15pm–3:30pm

ACTIVITIES

A variety of activities will run throughout the camp, including:



Each day will have a different theme, with activities varying across the three weeks.

FOOD

- Children must bring a vegetarian, nut-free packed lunch
- Lunch is not provided
- Healthy vegetarian snacks and extra drinks are encouraged

COST

- Eldest child: £26 per day
- Additional siblings: £24 per day

EARLY BIRD OFFER

- (for each whole week booked by 1 July)
- Eldest child: £120 per child per week
- Additional sibling: £110 per child per week

IMPORTANT

- No refunds except in extreme medical circumstances
- Children should wear suitable clothing for active play:
 - o Trainers
 - o Shorts/joggers
 - o T-shirt
 - o Jumper
 - o No sandals or flip-flops

BOOKING

Book via the school's parents page:
Clore Tikva School Website

Late booking welcome – bookings after 3 July
or for questions, contact:

amandamiller@cloretikva.redbridge.sch.uk

Once your booking is confirmed, you will receive confirmation details, including the payment due date.





Online Safety



Online safety remains a key priority both in school and at home. As children are spending increasing amounts of time online—whether learning, gaming or socialising—it is important they understand how to use the internet safely and responsibly.

With the holidays fast approaching, children are likely to have more access to devices at home. This makes it a great time for parents and carers to have open and supportive conversations about staying safe online. Talking about appropriate apps and websites, not sharing personal information, and what to do if something doesn't feel right can make a big difference.

To support you, here are some useful resources:



Find the Right Words (Internet Matters & Virgin Media)

A helpful video and set of resources designed to support parents in having important conversations about online safety with their children.

<https://news.virginmedia.co.uk/find-the-right-words/>

Steam Parental Controls Guide

Steam is a popular online gaming platform with a wide range of content, not all of which is suitable for children. This short 1-minute video explains how to set up parental controls.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=olw3aPXqplA>



TikTok Safety Controls Guide

This short video walks parents through setting up safety controls on TikTok – a platform parents tell us they find unfamiliar and worrying.

<https://parentzone.org.uk/article/how-set-tiktok-family-pairing>



For Parents – How to Talk to Children if they see Traumatic Events

Many children will have seen or heard some of the horrific events that have been happening near and far. Whether that's on the news, someone discussing it, or perhaps online, children can be traumatised by what they are seeing and hearing.

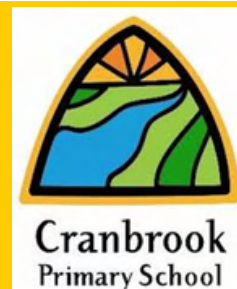
This article from The Conversation discusses the issue and gives some really good advice.

<https://theconversation.com/how-to-talk-to-children-when-terrorist-attacks-and-violence-dominate-the-news-281879>





School Values



At Cranbrook Primary School, we pride ourselves on our school values of Kindness, Equality, Resilience and Respect (KERR). These values are woven through everything we do, both within our curriculum and in the conduct we expect from our children, as they form the foundation of our behaviour expectations.

It is important that all children demonstrate exemplary behaviour throughout their learning and interactions with others. As an inclusive school, we understand that behaviour is a form of communication and that some pupils may require different approaches and additional support to help them succeed. However, the majority of our children are expected to adhere to our Behaviour Policy, consistently demonstrate our school values, and contribute to a safe and positive environment for all.

We would like to share with you the attached 'Behaviour Flowchart' that has also been shared with the children, outlining our expectations, rewards and consequences. We believe that promoting positive behaviour is an integral part of children's development and future success in life. We have also included our 'Rewards and Consequence Poster' for your information.

We greatly value the partnership between home and school and appreciate your continued support in helping us to instil clear boundaries, positive attitudes and respectful behaviour so that every child can be safe, thrive and achieve success.

Thank you for your ongoing support.



Cranbrook Primary School	
Behaviour – Rewards and Consequences	
When you make the correct choices expect... 1. PRAISE 2. MERITS 3. GOLD MERIT CERTIFICATES – (REWARD FROM HT) 4. STICKERS 5. WHOLE CLASS REWARDS 6. ACHIEVEMENT OF THE WEEK 7. VALUES AWARD OF THE WEEK 8. SHOWING WORK TO ANOTHER TEACHER 9. SHOWING WORK TO PHASE LEADER/SLT **Share & celebrate good behaviour with parents/carers**	Rewards as behaviour improves 
Every day is a fresh start If you break the school rules and make wrong choices then expect... Reminders (verbal & non-verbal) Teacher/HLTA/Support Staff STAGE 1: WARNINGS & REMINDERS (X2) STAGE 2: TIME OUT IN CLASS (5 MINS) STAGE 3: TIME IN ANOTHER CLASS (10 MINS) STAGE 4: BLUE LETTER 1 (Teacher) SLT involvement STAGE 5: BLUE LETTER 2 (SLT) & BEHAVIOUR CONTRACT STAGE 6: INTERNAL SUSPENSION & BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT PLAN STAGE 7: FIXED TERM SUSPENSION STAGE 8: PERMANENT EXCLUSION **Share poor behaviour choices with parents/carers**	Neutral Start Consequences if behaviour deteriorates 



ATTENDANCE UPDATES

The Department for Education (DfE) has introduced new guidance for managing attendance, including a national framework for penalty notices. These changes take effect from 19 August 2024. At Cranbrook Primary School, we adhere to the Redbridge Attendance Strategy and Code of Conduct.

Please be aware of the following key points:

Fixed Penalty Notices can be issued when a student has:

- 1.5 Consecutive days of term time leave
- 2.10 sessions (5 days) of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period

First Offence:

The first time a Penalty notice is issued for Term Time Leave of Irregular attendance the amount will be

- £160 per parent, per child, paid within 28 days
- Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

Second Offence (Within 3 years):

- The second time a penalty notice is issued for Term Time Leave of Irregular Attendance the amount will be £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years):

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented to the Magistrates' Court. Fines can be up to £2,500 per parent, per child.

Full details of the changes are available on the Government's webpage:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance>



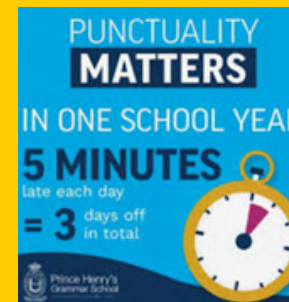
Importance of Time Keeping !!

Parents/carers please note the gates close at 9am promptly, if you are late, your child will need to be brought in late gate.

Lateness will incur U Codes, which can lead to Penalty notices.

To report student absence:

Student absence can be logged via Arbor App or on the parent portal.



School Website



I would encourage all Parents /Carers to visit the school website regularly to read and note new updates and information. It is full of key information and support to help with pupils learning.

<https://www.cranbrookprimaryschool.com/>

Absence: Examples of Proof required

- A medical appointment card with details of the appointment.
- A letter from a professional, such as a hospital consultant or psychologist.
- Proof of a consultation with NHS 111.
- A prescription or medication prescribed by a GP.
- A copy of the prescription.
- A screenshot of a medical note (e.g., via the NHS app).
- Letters confirming hospital appointments.
- A slip from the surgery with the date, the pupil's name, and the surgery stamp, signed by the receptionist.





EVERY DAY COUNTS!

Good attendance helps us learn, grow and succeed! 

1st & 2nd DAY 	1st & 2nd day of Absence Text & Email home  
3rd DAY 	3rd day of Absence If no contact Inform SLT  
4th / 5th DAY 	4th / 5th day of Absence Home Visit (EWO or School) 
WITHIN 10 DAYS 	Within 10 Days CME  

Please let us know as soon as possible if your child is to be absent.

Thank you for your support!



Learn • Grow • Succeed 

