



# Cranbrook Primary School Newsletter

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**Thought of the week** "We all have dreams, but in order to make dreams into reality, it takes an awful lot of determination. dedication. self -discipline and effort." (Jesse Owens)

## **Message from the Head teacher:**

Dear Parents/Carers, It's been an amazing half-term and we wish you and our children a lovely break. This link shares activities being run by Vision within the Redbridge area: <https://visionrcl.org.uk/events/childrens-events/>

We are lucky to have some amazing parks in Redbridge so I hope you will have the opportunity to enjoy them and I highly recommend a visit to Hainault Country Park which has been redeveloped and is a lovely space for families.

Have a lovely half term and see you all on **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February.**

**Holiday and Half-Term Dates:** Please note that all school term dates are set by Redbridge Council, this includes the half-term and holiday start and finish dates. More information, including school term dates until 2025 can be found at:

<https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/term-dates/>

**Vacancy:** Are you a skilled and responsible driver with a passion for contributing to, and ensuring the well-being and safety of children? Do you have a can-do attitude? Then we have a fantastic opportunity for you to make a positive impact as a Minibus Driver.

We are seeking to employ a Minibus Driver on a casual contract, for the School, to enable our pupils to participate fully in a wide variety of activities, such as sporting fixtures, school trips etc.

Applicants must hold a full, clean UK D1 driving licence. If you are interested, please email Aysha Kiani at: [recruitment@cranbrookprimary.redbridge.sch.uk](mailto:recruitment@cranbrookprimary.redbridge.sch.uk) to request an application pack.

We welcome applications from members of, or people known to our Cranbrook parents and carers community, so please share to those you think might be interested.

## **Secondary School Applications for September 2024:**

Year 6 parents will receive an email on the evening of **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024** to inform you of the outcome of your secondary school application for your child.

You must respond to the offer within 14 days.

To accept your offer please log into your eadmissions account at: [www.eadmissions.gov.uk](http://www.eadmissions.gov.uk)

If you have problems logging into eadmissions, please contact the eadmissions support team via their website at: [www.eadmissions.gov.uk/support](http://www.eadmissions.gov.uk/support).

Further information can be found on the school website.

## **Key Dates**

### **Term Dates for 2024**

#### **Spring Term 2024:**

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024 to Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024

#### **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

Year 3 Safari Pete Workshop AM

#### **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

Year 2 Trunk Theatre Workshop- all day

#### **Half term break:**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February–  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024

#### **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

Year 4Y/4G to visit the Centre of the Cell

#### **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

Year 4B/4R to visit the Centre of the Cell

#### **Easter Half term break:**

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2024 -Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024

#### **Summer Term 2024:**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024

#### **Half term break:**

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024

#### **Inset Days 2023-2024:**

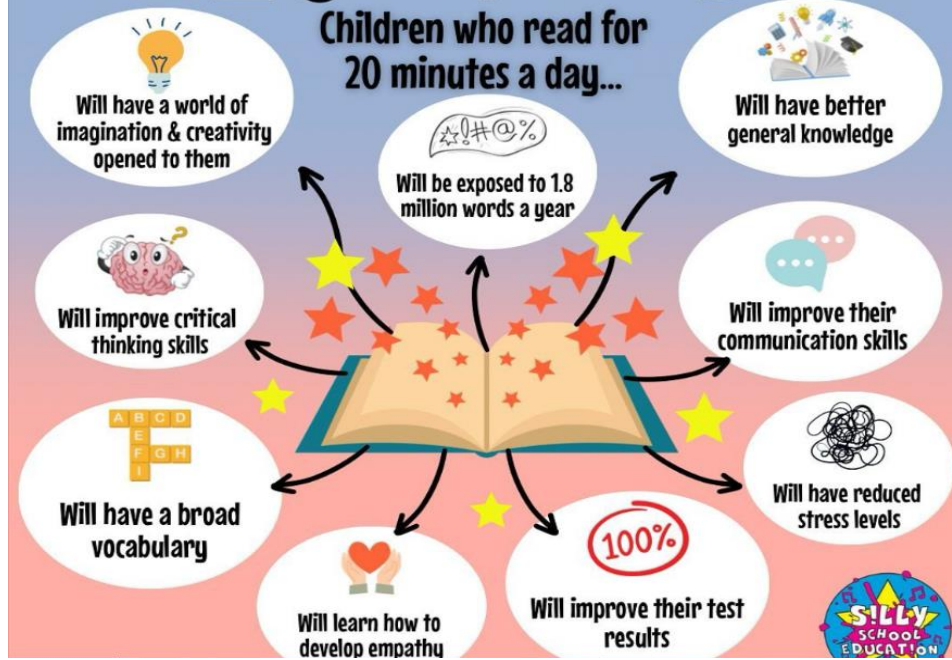
26<sup>th</sup> February 2024 (Parent Consultations)

3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024

**School will be closed on Inset days**

# 20 is plenty!

Children who read for  
20 minutes a day...



## Lost Property

A Light blue scooter has gone missing from the bike shed since yesterday, if someone has taken it by mistake, please return it back to the school office.

If your child has lost an item of clothing in school, please take a look at the **Lost Property Tubs**, which are located in the school playground by the green sheds.



## **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February:**

EYFS, Years 1, 2, 3 & 4-  
Celebrating World Religion  
Day-non-uniform day.

## **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

Year 3 Safari Pete Workshop  
in the morning

## **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024:**

Year 5 & Year 6 children  
celebrating World Religion  
Day

## **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

Year 2 Trunk Theatre  
Workshop- all day

## **After School Club reminder for Year 6**

### **Parent/Carers:**

Dear Year 6 Parents/carers,  
please remember that if your  
child attends an after school  
club, they are not allowed to  
walk home alone, they must  
be collected by an authorised  
adult.

**School will be closed to  
pupils, on Monday 26<sup>th</sup>  
February due to Inset day!**

## **Reminder for Parents**

Dear Parents/carers, please  
note that the gym area is  
closed during school  
collection times. Please do  
not allow your children to  
climb the fence and enter the  
gym at the end of the day.

## **KS2 Children - Morning Break Snacks:**

If your child is in year 3- 6, please send them to school with healthy nut free snacks, if you feel they need it.

For example, fruit, vegetables and cereal bars. The School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme Provides children in Early Years and KS1 with a piece of free fruit or veg daily.

## **Online Safety- Safer Internet Day:**

Online Safety and safeguarding is not only the responsibility of educators, but most importantly parents/guardians. We monitor what is happening within the school, but we need your help to monitor what is happening at home.

Last week on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February; it was Safer Internet Day. We reminded children about the dangers of being online and how to keep themselves safe using everyday devices. An unofficial survey was carried out by children at CPS and it is evident that some parents don't supervise their child when he/she is using a device. **This is very alarming.**

We all need to work collaboratively to keep our children safe online. Please talk to your child about Online Safety. It is the adult's responsibility to monitor device usage, screen time and enable parental controls.

Please use the link below to understand parental controls further:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/>

The below link will help with setting up parental controls:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/>

## **Big Science Week:**

This year British Science Week will begin on **Friday 8 March**, however we've decided to celebrate early by having a special science focused Big Write Week which will take place the week commencing **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February**. Children will spend time exploring scientific phenomena related to Time, producing a scientific journal or narrative to showcase their learning. It will certainly be a fascinating theme to explore as physicists have dedicated their life's work to understanding the concept of time in our universe.



# Attendance Winners

Well done to Year 4 Blue for achieving 99.3% attendance this week!

Remember: Good attendance= good progress

## Email address to report an Absence:

Please report any absence for your child on the email address below:

absence@cranbrookprimary.redbridge.sch.uk

**Gold Awards:** Almir. H, Fahar. M, Adam. K, Ammara. P, Aishah. S, Siaana. A, Isabella. T, Tinu. A, Yousaf. U, Faruk. K-3B, Toha. H, Omer. K, Raneem. N, Ayaan. A, Zaland, Aryan-3G, Neyayesh.A, Aiyla. H, Haadi. F, Rafay. A, Abdullah. O, Alex. R-4Y, Adam. A-4B, Aarav. P-5R, Aadam. K, Zariya. S, Chathan. M-5G, Mahi. P, Yahya. A-5B, Yaqub. H-6Y, Zayna. A, Yaseen. R, Kiara. G, Zakie. S, Ibrahim. I-6G, Bassem. H, Shehzeen. A, Azaan. A-6B

## Star of the ARP:

Gautham. V



## Achievement Awards for PE/Dance:

Name	Class
Yashraj. S	RR
Anwar. A	RY
Zariesh. K	RG
Uswa. B	RB
Dominic. O	1R
Ethan. A	1Y
Bohdan. O	1G
Jamima. I	1B
Anne-Marie. B	2R
Samuel. P	2Y
Bryan. D	2G
Muna. A	2B
Huriya. M	3R
M. Ashal. S	3Y
Alessia. C	3G
Melina. A	3B
Mujtaba.H	4R
Haadi. F	4Y
Mttias. L	4G
Maryam. J	4B
Zakariah. C	5R
Ayaan. Z	5Y
Yusuf. S	5G
Yusuf. H	5B
Sadat. M	6R
Yasin. R	6Y
Isaac. U	6G
Bassem. H	6B

Well done everyone!

### **Family Maths Challenge:**

Answer to last week's challenge:  $99 + (9/9) = 100$

**You have to take 2 from 5 and leave 4, how it can be done?**

### **Punctuality-Late collections:**

Parents have a responsibility to ensure their child/ children are collected on time. I would like to remind all parents/ carers to be more punctual in collecting their child/ children. Parents have 15 minutes from the collection time to collect their child from the school playground.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 finish school at 3pm, if they are collected any later than 3:30pm they will be charged £2.50 for every 10 minutes they are late. Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 finish school at 3:15pm, if they are collected any later than 3:45pm, they will be charged £2.50 for every 10 minutes they are late. The fee will only be waived in exceptional circumstances.

### **Every Day Matters!**

#### **15 days of 100% attendance = Fun day!**

Being in school is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing, and wider development. Evidence shows that the students with the highest attendance throughout their time in school gain the best results. Research found that pupils who performed better as well. At Cranbrook, we will be celebrating when classes have had 15 days of 100% attendance with a non- uniform day. Why 15 days? One for every letter of the phrase, 'Every Day Matters'. You will receive a School Ping message to inform you if your child's class has a non-uniform day.

### **Parents Meetings-INSET Day-Monday 26th February 2024:**

Parents meetings will take place during the **INSET day, 26th February, from 12.30pm to 4.30pm**, where you will meet with your child's teacher in order to find out how your child is doing etc. Appointments are now available on school ping in order for you to book an appointment with your child's teacher.

We would love you our parents & carers to share recommendations of individuals who inspire them, especially from your own culture.

Your diverse insights will contribute to a variety of inspirations within our school community.

Please send them to:

**Admin.cranbrookpri  
mary@redbridge.gov.  
uk**



### **Celebrating Cultural Connections-Celebrating diversity across our school:**

#### **Newton of Gaza**

15-year-old Hussam Al-Attar has been called the 'Newton of Gaza' after lighting up the displacement shelters in Gaza's Rafah using a generator powered by wind energy.

"The idea of taking advantage of the cold weather and wind, which seeps into the children's bodies, exhausting them with fatigue and illness, has inspired me to turn it into a source of warmth and heat," said the teen who was able, despite the scarcity of capabilities, to create fans that generate electricity, even if only a little, through power generators.

The young inventor explained that the driving force behind his creation was the desire to provide sufficient light for his brother to see clearly during the night hours. The young innovator's invention has illuminated the darkness of his camp with minimal resources.

To learn more about Palestinian culture, please visit: [https://kids.kiddle.co/Culture\\_of\\_Palestine](https://kids.kiddle.co/Culture_of_Palestine)

