

Cranford C E Primary School 'Learning Today For A Better Tomorrow'

NEWSLETTER

Friday 2nd November 2018

www.cranford.northants.sch.uk

Acting Head of School: Mr R Albert

"Time flies when you're having fun." a saying that I imagine that we're all familiar with and it certainly rings true for me as I complete my 3rd week here at Cranford! The pupils and staff continue to be amazing and it's been a delight getting to know you all better. I enjoyed chatting with many of you at the parent consultations and really appreciate the honest feedback you gave us. Some of the developments points that you raised are already well on their way to be in addressed and I hope in the near future that I'll be able to give you more specific feedback on these. The feedback is displayed around the school so please take a look if you get the chance.



Last Friday, we held our Remembrance Service in the Village Hall. I think that the walk from the school to the village hall, through our beautiful village on a crisp Autumn morning, helped the children to reflect about what we were doing. I shared the wonderful feedback we received as our pupils, even our youngest friends, treated the service with both the sensitivity and care it deserves. I would also like to thank you for supporting the school's fundraising for the Poppy Appeal. It's vital the we do remember these events (even after 100 years) in order to educate our children in the hope that such tragedies are prevented from happening again.

Parking!

I thought we'd cracked this at the start of the week but I'm again reminding you to think carefully about where you are parking. I've again included an aerial photo highlighted with what I think are dangerous parking areas in red, along with safer suggestions (including the Red Lion car park) in green. The white lines along the edge of the High Street indicate no parking according to the PCSO so parking there may be illegal. As I said before, this is simply advice so I won't be chasing up and down the road after you—I just want you all to be safe!



Finally, at the parents evening, Mrs Leesing and I managed to grab some of you and asked you to fill in updated versions of data collection and photo permission forms. These were to bring the school in line with recent GDPR regulations. The data collection forms will make sure we have your right details as we move away from paper versions of newsletters, etc, (which I am aiming to do by the end of next week). This will not only save the school money and cut down on paper usage, it will also prevent letters getting lost and from you having lots of items in book bags. The photo permission forms are very complicated unfortunately but to summarise, you need to opt out of the different ways in which we may use your child's photograph. I would never, without explicit permission, name a photo of your child but moving forward I would like to share photos of them working on our Twitter page, school website or potentially in the local press. We even need your permission now to use their photos in books! If you'd like a little guidance doing this, please pop in and we can help you with that. In the meantime, take care and I'll see you at the gate! Mr Albert

ATTENDANCE

I can announce that Oaks have had the best attendance over the last fortnight with 96.2%! Can any class get 100% next week????

Please remember, any family with a child's attendance rate of less than 95% should expect to be contacted by the school for a period of attendance monitoring. Unauthorised absences are those which the school does not consider reasonable and for which no "leave" has been given and include holidays. This type of absence can lead to the school using sanctions and/or legal proceedings such as fines from the Local Authority.









Diary Dates

Friday 23rd November— Elms, Ice Skating trip to Peterborough

Friday 23rd November—Chocolate Mufti Day

Friday 23rd November—Year 4 Cake Sale

Monday 26th November—Spelling Bee Week Year 1 to Year 6

Tuesday 27th November—Parent/Carer Drop In 2:30—3:15pm

Friday 30th November—Acorns visit to West Lodge Farm

Friday 30th November—Year 3 Cake Sale

Monday 3rd December—Sycamore Class Drumming Performance to parents/carers in hall 1:45pm

Monday 3rd December—Sycamore and Oaks Class Fabulous Finish Assembly to parents/carers 2:30pm

Wednesday 5th December—Chocolate Bingo 17:30-19:30pm

Friday 7th December—Celebration Assembly 9:15am

Friday 7th December—Year 2 Cake Sale

Monday 10th December—EYFS/KS1 Nativity performance in the hall 2:00pm

Monday 10th December—KS2 Carol Concert performance in church 5:30pm

Tuesday 11th December—EYFS/KS1 Nativity performance in the hall 9:30am

Wednesday 12th December—KS2 Carol Concert in church 9:15am

Friday 14th December— Christmas Jumper Day and Class Christmas Parties

Friday 14th December—Year 1 Cake Sale

Monday 17th December— Aladdin Pantomime at Lighthouse Theatre, Kettering

Tuesday 18th December—Christmas Dinner Day by ABM Catering (please order online via Parentpay)

Tuesday 18th December—Christmas Disco 18:00-19:30pm

Wednesday 19th December—Church Service 9:15am

Wednesday 19th December - Last day of term

Monday 7th January - School reopens to children 8:45am

Prayer

Dear Lord,

We give you our school.

We give you the teachers and staff who work here.

We give you all the children who study here.

We pray our school will be a place of discovery, adventure and creativity.

May it be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love,

A place where everyone is respected and all are deeply valued.

We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Follow our twitter account — @SchoolCranford

Are you on Twitter? It's a really quick and easy way for you and us to keep in touch. We'll be using it even more moving forward: posting photographs of the children at work; giving news updates and sharing useful links. Come on, give us a follow!

