



# Cranford Park C of E Primary School NEWSLETTER

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Let  
your  
light  
shine

Thank you to all those who attended our Easter events. I was so impressed by our wonderful children and Gill summed it up for me when she spoke of the joy they had brought to us. I consider myself very lucky to have a team of staff who work so hard for the children. Our thanks to St Peter's Church for hosting us.



I also very much enjoyed the iRock concert; it was great to hear the children playing in their various bands. If you would like your child to learn an instrument, or to sing in the band, please contact the office for further details.



In case you are wondering why there are a few 'Victorian' musicians there, Year one had a lovely Victorian school day last week too.

## Thank You!

Our sincere thanks to **St Peter's Church** for their very generous donation of **£820** to buy the school a class set of **ukuleles!**



We will now be able to teach a whole class to play this instrument and trust me when I say it is far preferable to a whole class learning the recorder! 😄 This means every child will learn to play this simple instrument during their time with us, hopefully giving them hours of pleasure throughout their lives. The money comes from the profits of both **Café 46** and **Discoveries Shops**, both of whom give 10% of all their profits back to the local community.

In case you did not know, Café 46 is run (superbly!) by **volunteers** and they are currently looking for new recruits. If you can help out in any way, please do contact the team on the following email:

[Jen.travena@stpetersyateley.org.uk](mailto:Jen.travena@stpetersyateley.org.uk)



This year sees the 80th anniversary of the end of the war in Europe (VE) on Thu 8th May. As you will know, we are planning our own celebrations on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May, but Yateley community are also celebrating. As part of this, on Thursday 8th May, Yateley will commemorate VE Day with the laying of wreaths at the War Memorial. Our school has been invited to participate; to **design a centre for a wreath** and to lay the wreath at the War Memorial at **11am**.

To this end, we are holding a **COMPETITION to design the centre for our school wreath**. The winning entry will be laminated before being added to the wreath and the child designing it will be asked to represent the school in laying the wreath at the memorial.



The centre of the wreath is 8" / 20cm in diameter, so that should be the size of the design, although it can be on a bigger piece of paper. We are looking, of course, for something which represents our school, but at

the same time is themed for the VE celebration. Please bring your designs to the school office by **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May** at the latest. Happy designing!

easyfundraising

Shopping online?  
Raise **free funds** for  
us at the same time

We still only have **40** supporters on this and some of those are the teachers! Yet it is the easiest thing in the world to do! It

costs you **nothing**, but every time you buy from one of the 8,000 retailers, they give the school money. So, if you do any online shopping at all, **please do sign up**. Please ask your friends and family too and let's see if we can get up to **100** supporters! Thank you so much!

**Please follow the link below to get started!**

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/focpyateley/>

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## UNIFORM REMINDERS

Did you know that one of the ways we are judged on our 'behaviour' by Ofsted is whether the children look smart in their school uniform and take pride in their appearance?  
**Please support us** by ensuring your child is in **full uniform**.

We are aware this can be expensive, so most uniform items can be purchased from any supermarket or retailer. Our logo items are available from **MAPAC** at the following link:  
<https://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/cranfordparkofegu466lb>

To remind you, our **summer uniform** is as follows:

- Black tailored shorts, tailored trousers, knee length skirt or pinafore dress with...
  - KS2 - white shirt or blouse with school tie
  - KS1 – white polo shirt

**OR**

- Purple gingham summer dress

**AND**

- V-Neck sweatshirt or Cardigan in Purple **with logo**.
- White or black socks or black tights
- Black **school shoes**

**No jewellery** other than one pair of plain stud earrings, which should be removed on P.E. days.

**No nail polish, fake tattoos or extreme hairstyles.**

**On PE days only:**

- Black joggers or shorts
- Team coloured T-shirts: Royal Blue, Yellow, Emerald Green or Red
- **School logo** zipped hoodie or jumper/cardigan

**\*Please mark each garment with your child's name\***

**\*Jumpers and cardigans get mislaid VERY easily\***

## Letting their Light Shine!



Our congratulations to Ava, who recently undertook her first ballet exam, which she passed with a Merit. Also, both Amelia and Ava achieved their Working Together and Apparatus gymnastics awards respectively and they have both moved up a group in their



swimming lessons too! Well done to them both. It is always lovely to hear how our children are getting on in their extra-curricular activities, so please do keep us posted!

## Y4 viking invasion



Year 4 were very lucky to experience a Viking 'Play in a Day' recently. They enjoyed their dress up day, where they learned lots more about the Vikings, their raiding, trading and violent ways.



They even performed their 'play' to Year 6 at the end of the day.



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## SWIMMING CLUB

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Age 7-13 or Stage 7-10 and looking to take swimming to the next level? Or are you a seasoned swimmer looking for a new club? Age 7 to 80!?

## COME JOIN OUR TEAM!

FREE Club Trial Nights and Taster Sessions

CONTACT US: [hartsc.org/become-a-member](http://hartsc.org/become-a-member) or Scan the QR code

[f @HartSwimming](https://www.facebook.com/HartSwimming)
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I recently watched the Netflix series **Adolescence** and it moved me in so many ways, not least of all as a parent empathising with another parent who thought they had done the right thing for their child. I found it both

emotional and terrifying! It raises urgent questions about what's really going on for teenage boys, from rising mental health struggles to harmful online influences, isolation, misogyny, violence and the pressure to conform. Following the show, 'Beyond Equality' are offering a free webinar, hosted by Ben Hurst, which picks up those threads and explores:

- Research and insight into boys' current context
- Why boys are feeling lost and struggling, with school, relationships, and themselves
- How to have better conversations with boys
- Practical tools for parents and teachers
- How whole communities can step up to have these conversations.

So if, since watching *Adolescence*, you've been moved, challenged, or left asking *what now?* This webinar is for you. Book your free spot by following one of the links here:

[Free Webinar- How To Tackle The Adolescence Issue](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/no-more-lost-boys-how-to-tackle-the-adolescence-issue-tickets-1299422881819?aff=oddtcreator)

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**CYP-PCW**  
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S  
PRIMARY CARE WELLBEING SERVICE

Hampshire Child and Adolescent  
Mental Health Services

**Does your child (AGED 5-17)  
have mild or moderate anxiety  
or low mood?**

The Children and Young People's Primary Care Wellbeing Service offers short-term evidence based interventions based on cognitive behavioural therapy.

We offer parent-led interventions for children under 12 years old with anxiety or hard to manage behaviour, and a range of 1:1 treatment interventions for young people over 12 years old with anxiety or low mood. We can offer enhanced interventions for tics, school non-attendance, mild OCD and mild self harm.

We cover the following primary care networks:

- Andover
- Winchester Rural North and East
- Gosport
- Havant and Waterlooville

For more information or to be referred please telephone your GP surgery.

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**FIT YOUR OWN  
OXYGEN MASK FIRST**

You're no use to anyone if you're running on empty.  
Caring for yourself first is often the  
best thing you can do, in order to help others.  
It isn't selfish, or egocentric.  
Just really good advice.

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## Parents with Mental Health Problems

Many parents with mental health problems are able to give their children safe and loving care, without their children being negatively affected in any way. Nevertheless, parents sometimes need support from family members, friends, neighbours and/or professionals, to help them care for their children. Perhaps it is just a feeling of depression which might occur alongside other stressful life experiences. Challenges may arise as a result of a condition, contribute to a condition developing, or make it worse. For example, if a parent is experiencing financial problems, this can negatively affect their mental health. And if the parent becomes unable to work due to their mental health, this can exacerbate their financial problems. Coping with lots of challenges at once can make it difficult for parents to provide their children with the care that they need. We are all human and there is absolutely no shame in asking for support when you need it – we are all here to help and support one another. If you are struggling, please talk to us and we will do our very best to support you and to signpost you to further support as required. **We are here to help!**

## Bounce for Books Results

Thank you so much for your contributions to the 'Bounce for Books' sponsored event. It is not too late to bring in money if you still have it! So far, we have raised an impressive **£1,445**, all of which will be spent on books for our children. We can also claim the gift aid for relevant sponsors, which will increase the funds further still.

The competition for the highest number of genuine sponsors was won by our year 5 class. The rankings for numbers of sponsors were:

YR Cook 27  
Y1 Earle 36  
Y2 Armstrong 24  
Y3 Drake 26  
Y4 Carter 29  
Y5 Columbus 45  
Y6 Earhart 18

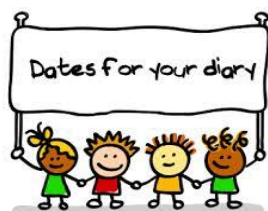
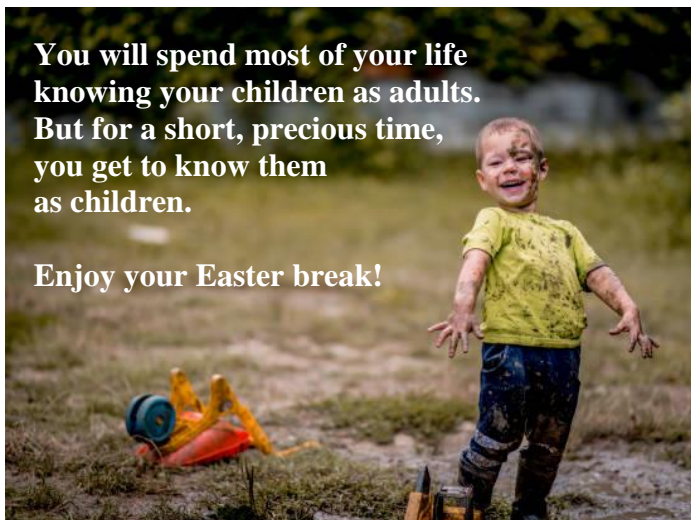


Well done Columbus class!

They have won a special mufti day just for them, with an extra treat thrown in! Watch out for details from Miss Howard.

You will spend most of your life knowing your children as adults. But for a short, precious time, you get to know them as children.

Enjoy your Easter break!



**New and changed dates are given in bold**

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> April: Children return to school  
Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> April: Y4 Residential Visit to Minstead  
Fri 25<sup>th</sup> April: PTA 'Bend the Rules' day  
Tues 29<sup>th</sup> April: YR trip to Wellington Country Park  
Tues 29<sup>th</sup> April: 3.30pm PTA Meeting – all welcome  
Wed 30<sup>th</sup> April: Y5 to Wellington – low ropes – 3-4pm  
Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> May: Y4 Class Worship 8.50am – parents

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Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> May: World Culture Day  
Mon 5<sup>th</sup> May: PTA stall at the Yateley May Fair  
Wed 7<sup>th</sup> May: Y5 to Wellington – paddling – 3-4pm  
Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> May: Class Photographs  
Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> May: GRT parents - Meeting EMTAS 2.30pm  
Fri 9<sup>th</sup> May: 80<sup>th</sup> VE Day Celebration with parents  
Mon 12<sup>th</sup> May: Y6 SATs Testing Week  
12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> May: Y5 Residential to Runways End  
Fri 16<sup>th</sup> May: YR Class Worship 8.50am – parents  
Sun 18<sup>th</sup> May: Choir singing at Fundraising Concert at St Peter's – all welcome  
Mon 19<sup>th</sup> May: Workshop for parents – supporting good mental health – managing anxiety  
Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> May: MUFTI Day for sweets for summer fair  
Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> May: Think Safe Event for Year 6 (morning)  
Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> May: School breaks up for half term 1.15pm  
Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> May: INSET DAY  
w/b 26<sup>th</sup> May: HALF TERM BREAK  
Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> June: INSET DAY  
Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> June: Y4 Multiplication Tables Checks – 2 wks  
Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> June: Children return to school  
Wed 4<sup>th</sup> June: Y5 Swimming – start of 6wks swimming  
Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> June: World Environment Day  
Fri 6<sup>th</sup> June: Y5 Class Worship 8.50am - parents  
Fri 6<sup>th</sup> June: Y3 SLEEPOVER  
Mon 9<sup>th</sup> June: Year 1 Phonics Screening Week  
Wed 11<sup>th</sup> June: Rotary Kids Out Event – by invitation  
Wed 11<sup>th</sup> June: Y5 Swimming  
Fri 13<sup>th</sup> June: Y3 Class Worship 8.50am – parents  
Sat 14<sup>th</sup> June: St Peter's Church Event at school  
Wed 18<sup>th</sup> June: Y5 Swimming  
**Thur 19<sup>th</sup> June: KS2 Athletics Event – cross school**  
Fri 20<sup>th</sup> June: Y6 Leavers' Service, Winchester  
Wed 25<sup>th</sup> June: Y5 Swimming  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup> June: Y2 Class Worship 8.50am – parents  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup> June: Mufti Day for Cakes/Donation  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup> June: PTA Summer Fair 3.30pm  
**Mon 30<sup>th</sup> July: Y5/6 Performance (tbc) – move for clash**  
Tues 1<sup>st</sup> July: Y5/6 Performance (tbc)  
Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Y5 Swimming  
**Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Y6 transition day to Yateley**  
**Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> July: Y6 transition day to Yateley**  
**Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> July: Moving Up Day – new classes info. Out**  
**Thur 3<sup>rd</sup> July: Barnados School Readiness workshop for prospective parents.**  
w/b 7<sup>th</sup> July: Y6 Residential Week  
**w/b 7<sup>th</sup> July: Local History Week – YR to Y5**  
Wed 9<sup>th</sup> July: Y5 Swimming  
Fri 11<sup>th</sup> July: Y1 Class Worship 8.50am – parents  
**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> July: SEN Parent Meetings Y1, Y2 & Y3**  
**Tues 15<sup>th</sup> July: SEN Parent Meetings Y4, Y5, Y6**  
**Wed 16<sup>th</sup> July: SPORTS DAY – parents from noon – date change due to clash with transition**  
**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> July: Reserve Sports Day in case of rain!**  
Mon 21<sup>st</sup> July: Sponsored Colour Run Day!  
Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> July: Y6 Leavers' Service - parents  
Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> July: Break up for summer hols 1.15pm  
**Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept: INSET Day**  
**Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Sept: Children return to school**  
**Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Oct: Break up for half term holiday**



Have a fantastic Easter Holiday!