



Cranford Park C of E Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Let
your
light
shine

It has been a challenging start to the term with many of the staff going down sick already! But we have battled on. We were, of course, delighted to be able to share our Ofsted report with you at last. Not only were we delighted with two 'outstanding' and three 'good' judgements, but the report itself was very complimentary about the school and its pupils. Thank you for all your positive communications and good wishes, which always mean a lot to the staff.

My apologies for any stress caused by our last-minute Roald Dahl dress up day. We were not intending to do this, but some of the children asked me if they could dress up and not wanting to quash their enthusiasm, I agreed that they could. We then felt it only fair to open it up to the rest of the school. The short notice gave rise to a great deal of creativity and ingenuity, however, with some very clever costume ideas! It was lovely to see children creating costumes for themselves too, from golden tickets to giant ears. Well done to all!



The University of Cranford Park has re-launched with much enthusiasm this term. The faculties for this term include:

- Faculty of Japan
- Faculty of Drama and Media
- Faculty of Mythology
- Faculty of Engineering
- Faculty of Languages - Welsh
- Faculty of Knowledge
- Faculty of World Exploration

We look forward to sharing details of their activities with you over the coming weeks.



Magnetic Safety

(Child Accident Prevention Trust)

The Child Accident Prevention Trust (CAPT) warns that more than 300 children a year are rushed to A&E after swallowing magnets and one in ten needs life-saving surgery.

When strong magnets stick together inside the body, they can rip through a child's gut, cutting off blood supply and causing life-threatening injuries. Even toddlers have needed hours of emergency surgery, and some children are left with lasting internal damage.

Magnets don't just come in toys – they're also found in jewellery kits, fridge magnets, puzzles, dartboards, fidget toys and desk gadgets.

Worryingly, some magnets sold online are 17 times stronger than the UK safety limit.

Please remember to:

- Buy only from trusted brands and retailers.
- Be cautious with cheap copies and online marketplaces.
- Keep magnets and products containing them out of children's reach.

Find out more and download a free safety poster at capt.org.uk/magnet-safety

10th to 14th November

Anti-Bullying Week 2025 will take place from **10th to 14th November**, with the theme: **Power for Good**. The week will start with **Odd Socks Day** on November 10th, encouraging everyone to wear odd socks to celebrate uniqueness.



Letter to parents from the Prime Minister

Please follow the link below if you would like to read this letter to the nation's parents from the Prime Minister:

[Prime Minister's letter to parents and carers on Best Start in Life – The Education Hub](#)

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THANK YOU!



A huge thank you to the volunteers from the company CIOB who came along in the school holidays to clear and tidy our grounds.



They did a fantastic job and we were very grateful! Please do get in touch if your company run any volunteering schemes!

Letting his Light Shine!



Our congratulations to Silas who is letting his light shine by taking part in a sponsored walk through September, doing 30 miles throughout the month in aid of cancer

research uk. Silas' nanny is currently having cancer treatment and so he decided to try to help. Here he is on one of his walks – he is walking a mile a day throughout September. If anyone would like to support his fundraising, please follow the link below:



<https://www.facebook.com/share/1JcbE1SJ6s/?mibextid=wwXlfr>

VERRUCA ALERT

Staff have noticed that several children have verrucas on their feet at the moment. Sometimes plasters have been used to cover these, but they are coming off. Verrucas are small lumps on the skin that most people have at some point in their life. You can get verrucas on your feet. They have tiny black dots under the hard skin. They usually go away on their own but may take months or even years. Verrucas can be very painful, as it



can feel like standing on a needle. A pharmacist can give you advice about the best treatment and may suggest

creams, plasters or sprays. These treatments can take up to 3 months to complete. If your child has a verruca, it is best to cover it with a waterproof plaster when barefoot, such as for PE.

Alternatively, children can wear plimsoles to save them any embarrassment.



REMINDER

Monday 29th September at 7pm
Parenting in the digital world

A reminder about this meeting for our parents, which will give you the opportunity to explore the issues around being a parent in today's digital age. During this 90min session, Richard from The Stay Safe Initiative CIC will be helping you to understand your child's digital lives and giving tips to keep your children safe. We will be exploring what they are doing online, understanding the risks, and providing straight forward help and advice.

Attendees will NOT need to speak or have their cameras turned on, should they wish not to. However, due to the nature of certain risks the online world holds for children, this presentation is **NOT for the eyes and ears of children and young people.** I really hope to see you there.



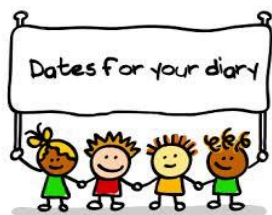
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We will be holding a **McMillan coffee morning** here at school on the morning of Friday 26th September. We would be very grateful for any **donations of cakes!** Year 3 parents are welcome to attend before or after their assembly – or both! Please come to the main entrance from where we will take you down to the music room. Many thanks.



New events will be given in bold

Thurs 18th Sept: School Photographs – individual/sibling
 Fri 19th Sept: Jeans for Genes – wear jeans for a coin
 Thurs 25th Sept: Welcome Service for new Reception at St Peter's Church 1.30pm
Fri 26th Sept: Year 3 class assembly
 Fri 26th Sept: McMillan coffee morning for families 8.30am to 9.30am – cakes also welcome!
 Mon 29th Sept: 7pm Online Meeting – Parents in the Digital World – *please try to attend!*
Fri 3rd Oct: Year 4 class assembly
Fri 3rd Oct: Year 4 cake sale
Sat 4th Oct: PTA DIY Day with pizza
 Thurs 9th Oct: Open Morning for Prospective Parents
Fri 10th Oct: Year 3 cake sale
 Tues 14th Oct: NHS Assembly – 'Horrid Hands'
Tues 14th Oct: PTA Meeting after school
 Wed 15th Oct: Parents' Consultation Evening
Fri 17th Oct: Year 5 class assembly
Fri 17th Oct: Year 5 cake sale
Tues 21st Oct: PTA Xmas Fair Meeting after school
 Wed 22nd Oct: Nasal Flu Immunisations – *details follow*
 Wed 22nd Oct: Parents' Consultation Evening
 Thurs 23rd Oct: Harvest Festival at St Peter's Church
 Fri 24th Oct: PTA Mufti Day – **wrapped sweets**
Fri 24th Oct: Donut sale after school - £1 each
 Fri 24th Oct: Break up for half term holiday
 Mon 3rd Nov: Children return to school
Fri 7th Nov: Year 2 class assembly
Fri 7th Nov: Year 2 cake sale
 Fri 7th Nov: Open Evening for Prospective Parents
w/b 10th Nov: Anti-bullying week
Mon 10th Nov: Odd sock day – wear crazy odd socks!
Tues 11th Nov: PTA Meeting after school
Fri 14th Nov: Year R cake sale
Mon 17th Nov: PTA Raffle goes live
Mon 18th Nov: Happy school bags clothing collection
Fri 21st Nov: Year 1 class assembly
Fri 21st Nov: Year 1 cake sale
 Fri 21st Nov: Children in Need Mufti Day - Spots
 Thurs 27th Nov: Open Morning for Prospective Parents
Fri 28th Nov: PTA Mufti Day for screw top wine
 Fri 28th Nov: Christmas Fair 3.30 – 5pm

Sat 29th Nov: Lions Christmas Market 3.30 – 6.30pm
Tues 2nd Dec: PTA Elfridges sale in school
Fri 5th Dec: Year 6 class assembly
Fri 5th Dec: Year 6 cake sale
Tues 9th Dec: PTA meeting after school
Thurs 11th Dec: School trip to the pantomime
Fri 12th Dec: Year 4 cake sale
Fri 12th Dec: PTA Raffle Draw
 Mon 15th Dec: KS1 performance
 Tues 16th Dec: KS1 performance
~~Wed 17th Dec: PTA Mufti Day cancelled~~
Fri 19th Dec: PTA Mufti Day for bottles
 Fri 19th Dec: Break up for xmas hols 1.15pm 2026
 Mon 5th Jan: INSET Day
 Tues 6th Jan: Children return to school
Tues 13th Jan: PTA Meeting after school
Fri 16th Jan: PTA Mufti Day for Easter Eggs
Fri 16th Jan: Year R class assembly
Fri 23rd Jan: PTA Quiz Night
 Fri 30th Jan: PTA Discos
Tues 3rd Jan: PTA Meeting after school
 Wed 4th Feb: Parents' Consultation Evening
 Fri 6th Feb: PTA Mufti Day for Easter Eggs
 Wed 11th Feb: Parents' Consultation Evening
 Thurs 12th Feb: Y5 Bikeability
 Fri 13th Feb: Y5 Bikeability
 Fri 13th Feb: Break up for half term holiday
 Mon 23rd Feb: Children return to school
 Mon 23rd Feb: Choir to Young Voices at the O2
 w/b 2nd March: BOOK WEEK
Tues 3rd March: Bounce for Books
 Thur 5th March: World Book Day – Dress up day
Thurs 10th Mar: PTA Mothers' Day Sale – date change
Tues 10th Mar: PTA Meeting after school
 w/b 16th March: SCIENCE WEEK
 Tues 24th March: Easter Service at St Peter's Church
 Wed 25th March: Easter fun day with Easter tea
 Wed 25th March: PTA Mufti Day for bottles
 Fri 27th Mar: Break up for Easter 1.15pm
 Mon 13th April: Children return to school
Tues 21st April: PTA Meeting after school
 Fri 24th April: PTA 'Dare to be different' day
Fri 24th April: Happy School Bags clothing collection
Mon 4th May: Lions May Fair, Yateley
 Thurs 7th May: Photographer – classes and leavers
 Fri 8th May: PTA Mufti Day for sweets
 Fri 8th May: PTA Popcorn Party
 w/b 11th May: Y6 SATs testing week
 11th to 13th May: Y5 residential to Runways End
Tues 19th May: PTA Meeting after school
 Wed 20th May: Break up for half term 1.15pm
 21st & 22nd May: INSET DAYS
 Mon 1st June: INSET DAY
 Tues 2nd June: Children return to school
Friday 5th June: Freezy Friday sale
Tues 9th June: PTA Meeting after school
 9th/10th June: Y4 residential to Minstead
Fri 12th June: Freezy Friday sale
Tues 16th June: PTA Fathers' Day Sale -date change
Fri 19th June: Freezy Friday sale
 Fri 26th June: PTA Mufti day £1 and Summer Fair
Friday 3rd July: Freezy Friday sale
 w/b 6th Jul: Y6 residential to Avon Tyrrell
Friday 10th July: Freezy Friday sale
Tues 14th July: PTA Meeting
Friday 17th July: Freezy Friday sale
Friday 17th July: PTA Mufti day for £1
Fri 17th July: Y6 Leavers' Party
Tues 21st July: PTA Colour Run event
 Wed 22nd July: Break up for summer hols 1.15pm