



Cranford Park C of E Primary School NEWSLETTER

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your
light
shine

Welcome back to school! I hope you all enjoyed your extended half-term break! We have a fun-filled half term ahead of us and have already had lots of exciting things going on!



Year One and Year Two had a lovely time on their trip to Wisley Gardens. Despite the rain, they were able to explore the gardens, choosing their favourite flowers and learning more about the wildlife there. They enjoyed the play areas too of course!



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ROTARY CHILDREN'S FUN DAY

Thank you to the parents who gave us such positive feedback about their day at the Rotary Children's Fun Day! I am so pleased the weather stayed fine for you and that you had an enjoyable day. The children enjoyed stroking and brushing the therapy dogs, exploring the fire engine and petting animals.



Our sincere thanks to the Rotary Club for providing such a wonderful day. It was a fabulous experience!

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Educating Children about



Our Year five and six pupils recently had a very informative talk from our local PCSOs about knife crime. The officers delivered a presentation about what knife crime is and the consequences for carrying weapons etc. The children took on board these very important messages before asking the PCSOs lots of questions to do with their job.



POWER PLATE

Catch all the healthy foods and score points!

CLEVERCHEFS
Catering

We're thrilled to share something we've been building for your school community – and it's completely free.

Introducing Power Plate: a fast, fun online game that helps children understand healthy food choices through play.

*No app download.
No login. Just open the link and go.*

Telling children to eat well is one thing. Getting it to stick is another.

Research into game-based learning consistently shows that when children make decisions in a game environment, they are significantly more likely to internalise those lessons than when learning through traditional instruction. Games create what psychologists call intrinsic motivation – the child chooses to keep playing, which means they keep learning.

In Power Plate, every healthy choice is rewarded immediately. Every junk food catch costs them health. They feel the consequence of their choices in real time – and want to do better next time. That loop of action, feedback, and replay is exactly how lasting habits form.

Power Plate works brilliantly as:

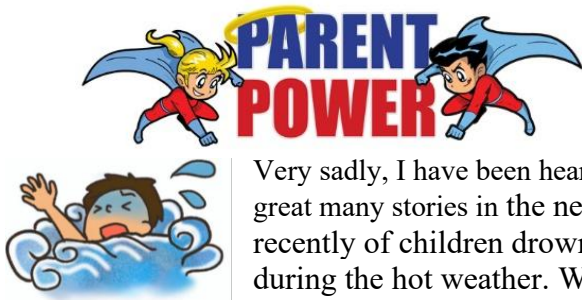
- A 10-minute starter or reward activity
- A PSHE or Food Technology lesson hook
- A homework challenge parents can join in with at home.



To play
Visit www.cleverfoodhub.com or scan the QR code



Hopefully you have received the information about Power Plate, the game of healthy food choices offered to us free of charge from Cleverchefs, our caterer. I hear it is a lot of fun to play! Have a go!



Very sadly, I have been hearing a great many stories in the news recently of children drowning during the hot weather. We have also heard that locally,

youngsters have been seen jumping into water at the site of previous drownings. At least 17 lives have been lost and many of these tragedies were preventable. With more hot weather on the way and many families heading to pools, beaches and parks, the time to act is now. Our children will be learning more about water safety over the coming weeks and, as you may know, we have moved our swimming curriculum down to year three to give every child the best chance of developing this life-saving skill. Swimming lessons are fantastic, but the absolute first line of defence is awareness. We are therefore pleased to share with you below some advice from Hampshire and others to share with your children. Drowning is quick and silent, but a simple conversation can make all the difference. Please do take just ten minutes this week to have an open, honest conversation with your children about water safety.

Here are a few quick talking points to cover:

- Always ask first: Never go near or into water (pools, lakes, rivers, or the ocean) without a trusted adult explicitly saying it's okay.
- The buddy system: Never swim alone.
- Look out for hazards: Remind them there can be many hidden hazards beneath the surface and that open water behaves differently than a pool—strong currents, sudden drop-offs, and cold temperatures can surprise even strong swimmers.
- What to do in an emergency: Teach them to "Call, Don't Crawl." If a friend is in trouble, they should yell for help or throw a floating object 🏊 but never jump in to save them - 📞 999
- Life Jackets Matter: If you are on a boat, kayak, or near open water, life jackets are non-negotiable.
- Float to live : lean back, tilt your head above water and calmly control breathing, then swim to safety.

It only takes a moment for a situation to become dangerous. By educating our children and setting strict boundaries now, we can prevent tragedies before they happen.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Year 4	94.1%
Year 3	94.1%
Year 6	93.5%
Year 1	93.1%
Year 2	90.8%
Year 5	90.6%
Year R	90.1%

Congratulations to year four and year three who tied with the best class attendance for the month of May. Well done and thank you to all of you who kept your attendance high.

There are now 13 children with 100% attendance so far this year! Remember anyone with 100% attendance will receive a shield at the end of the year!

Please remember we can only authorise an absence from school in exceptional circumstances. The DfE is very clear that birthdays, holidays and days out cannot be authorised. Unauthorised absence could result in a fine from the local authority.

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Letting their Light Shine!

Our congratulations to Jessie who has been busy letting her light shine outside of school over the last few weeks. Jessie competed at the UK Street Dance Championships, where she and her crew battled it out to the final and took home 1st place in the 12 and under crew category along with taking home silver with her duo partner in the 10 and under duo category. She also competed at the London Gymnastics Team Championships where her team placed 1st, winning the gold medal. We are all very proud of all her hard work and achievements, well done, Jessie!



We were also delighted to hear that Inayah and her team of Rushmoor artistic swimmers won Silver in last weekend's Regional Artistic Swimming competition held in Haselemere. Her team were up against stiff competition from within the same club and other clubs. We were delighted to be lucky enough to see a video of the impressive routine, which Inayah has been practising, along with her grades, since September. This includes 6 hours every weekend and 2 hours on a Tuesday evening. She shows a huge amount of commitment and resilience. Well done to Inayah!



Conduct on Site

Please support us by noting the following requests to keep our children safe:

- Children should **not** be using the play equipment, including Reception class equipment, the play apparatus, multi-gym and climbing wall, unless they are supervised by a **member of staff**. This includes younger siblings accompanying you to drop off or collect your child.
- Please **dismount** bikes and scooters at the school gate and **walk** them to the storage areas.
- **No dogs** (except working dogs) are permitted anywhere on the school site at any time; this includes tying them to the school fence/gate. Apart from the health hazard of fouling, some children are frightened of dogs, so we would ask for your co-operation in not bringing them with you when dropping off or collecting your children.
- For safeguarding reasons, we ask you to **avoid using your mobile phone** while on the school site. The taking of video or photographs is strictly forbidden other than at formal school events. In those circumstances, you should ensure that you try to film/photograph your own child only. Any photos or film taken should be for your own use only and not shared in any way including on social media. We will remind you at each event.
- It is illegal to smoke on school premises. **Smoking and vaping** are not permitted on site.
- We will not tolerate any form of aggression, physical or verbal, towards members of our school community (staff, children or parents) on our site. Parents in breach of this request may be banned from entering the school site.
- We ask parents to be careful with their language when on site – please avoid any swearing or inappropriate language in front of our pupils. Many thanks.
- Children should never be on the school premises unaccompanied outside their school hours.

Thank you

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**KINDER,
 SAFER
 HAMPSHIRE**

Everyone has the right to feel safe and be respected.

Help and support is available.

Call Hampshire Domestic Abuse Service 03300 165 112 (24/7)

Visit hants.gov.uk/domesticabuse for support and information

In an emergency, always dial 999.

DOMESTIC ABUSE CAN AFFECT ANYONE



Together, we can make a difference. 

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

Let's listen. Let's support. Let's build a safer Hampshire. #SaferHampshire

Hampshire County Council

GYMNASTICS FUN!



On Friday 12th June, year 6 attended a Gymnastics workshop at Yateley school. They used the large apparatus, focusing on balances and travel, before creating their own sequence. The main focus of the session was to make

movements look 'aesthetically pleasing'. All of the children enjoyed the session and it gave them a flavour of secondary school PE!



New events or changes are given in bold

Mon 15th June: Induction 1 for new intake
 Tues 16th June: PTA Fathers' Day Sale
 Wed 17th June: Year 3 Swimming
 Fri 19th June: Year 4 Class Assembly
 Fri 19th June: Around the World Diversity Celebration
 Fri 19th June: Freezy Friday sale

Tues 23rd June: Inter-school athletics events, Aldershot
 Wed 24th June: Y6 Leavers' Service Winchester Cathedral
 Wed 24th June: Year 3 Swimming
 Thurs 25th June: Induction 2 for new intake
 Fri 26th June: PTA Mufti day for £1 donation
 Fri 26th June: PTA Summer Fair after school
 Mon 29th June: Afternoon dress rehearsal Y5/6
 Mon 29th June: The Lion King Y5/6 Production 6pm
 Tues 30th June: The Lion King Y5/6 Production 6pm
 Mon 29th June: iRock performance assembly
 Tues 30th June: Induction 3 for new intake
 Wed 1st July: Year 3 Swimming
 Wed 1st July: Yateley Secondary Induction Session
 Thurs 2nd July: Yateley Secondary Induction Session
 Thurs 2nd July: Whole school 'move up' day
 Thurs 2nd July: Induction 4 for new intake
 Barnados workshop for parents

Fri 3rd July: Year 3 Class Assembly
 Friday 3rd July: Freezy Friday sale
 w/b 6th Jul: Y6 residential to Avon Tyrrell
Tues 7th July: Y3 trip to Butser Farm
 8th & 9th July: Frogmore transition days
Wed 8th July: Martial Arts Workshops
 8th July: Year 3 Swimming
 Fri 10th July: Year 2 Class Assembly
 Friday 10th July: Freezy Friday sale
 Tues 14th July: 'Gypsy Stepping' workshops
 Tues 14th July: Summer Arts Festival 1.30pm
 Tues 14th July: PTA Meeting
 Wed 15th July: SPORTS DAY
 Thurs 16th July: Reserve Sports Day
 Friday 17th July: Freezy Friday sale
 Friday 17th July: PTA Mufti day for £1
 Fri 17th July: Cross-school STEM Event for girls at Charles Kingsley School - by invitation
 Display of Work from 3.15pm
 Fri 17th July: Y6 Leavers' Party
 Tues 21st July: PTA Colour Run event
 Wed 22nd July: 9.30am Y6 Leavers' Service St Peter's
 Wed 22nd July: Break up for summer hols 1.15pm

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Tues 1st Sept: INSET DAY
 Wed 2nd Sept: Children return to school
Wed 23rd Sept: Y5/6 Football at Yateley Manor t.b.c.
 Thurs 24th Sept: Individual Photographs
 Fri 23rd Oct: Break up for half term
 Mon 2nd Nov: Children return to school
Fri 13th Nov: Y3/4 Football at Yateley Manor t.b.c.
 Thurs 10th Dec: Family trip to Camberley Theatre Panto
 Fri 18th Dec: Break up for Christmas at 1.15pm
 Mon 4th Jan: INSET Day
 Tues 5th Jan: Children return to school
Wed 13th Jan: Y5/6 Netball at Yateley Manor t.b.c.
Fri 22nd Jan: Y3/4 Netball at Yateley Manor t.b.c.
Wed 3rd Feb: Y4 Golf at Wellington – t.b.c.
 Fri 12th Feb: Break up for half term
 Mon 22nd Feb: Children return to school
Wed 10th Mar: Y5/6 Escape Room at Wellington t.b.c.
Wed 17th Mar: Y5/6 Escape Room at Wellington t.b.c.
 Thurs 25th Mar: Break up for Easter at 1.15pm
 Mon 12th April: Children return to school
 19th – 20th April: Y4 Residential Visit 2027
Wed 28th April: Y5 Paddling at Wellington College t.b.c.
 Mon 3rd May: Bank Holiday
 Tues 25th May: Break up for half term at 1.15pm
 Wed 26th May: INSET Day
 Thurs 27th May: INSET Day
 Fri 28th May: INSET Day
 Mon 7th June: Children return to school
 12th – 17th July: Y6 Residential to Avon Tyrrell 2027
 Wed 21st July: Break up for summer holidays 1.15pm

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