

13th October 2021

Dear Parent/Carers,

Thought of the week: 'The most important key to success is having the discipline to do what you know should be done even when you don't feel like doing it'.

(Mark Mountford)

Achievement Awards for Science: Antonela. L-1Y, Hasan. S-1G, Aden. D-1R, Emilijus. S-1B, Ridwan. M-2B, Aniela. R-2G, Shai. A-2Y, Dawda.J-2R, Saleenah. M-3B, Hanah. K-3Y, Maksim. M-3G, Hana. P-3R, Haider Ali-4Y, Abdurahman. R-4R, Ryan. K-4G, Ibrahim. M-4B, Idrees. N-5R, Wali. R-5Y, Abtahi. S-5B, Milan. M-6R, Paige. E-6Y, Osman. M-6G

Star of the week for ARP: Joshua.P

Well done!

Wellbeing Parent Coffee Morning: Cranbrook Primary will be hosting a series (every half term) of Wellbeing Parent Coffee mornings to support our parents in meeting the needs of your children and the family. The first session will focus on behaviour management and strategies. You will receive input from our staff, who have knowledge and experience on this subject, with opportunities to interact with other parents and ask questions. So come along for coffee, biscuits and good company. There will also be a raffle prize draw at the end of the session. Please contact the school office to reserve your place. We look forward to seeing you. Wishing you good mental health and physical health!

Date: Friday 15th October 2021

Time: 9.15am to 11am in the Dance Studio

For more information on Mental Health, please see the attachments.

Race and Equity: As you know, in the past we have always celebrated 'Black History Month' in October. However, following the appalling death of **George Floyd**, we have made some significant changes to our curriculum provision, as we believe that black history should be embedded in our teaching throughout the year, instead of just in one month. Our curriculum has therefore undergone significant change to also include vital historical events of Black/Asians and other ethnic origins interwoven throughout the entire curriculum. Staff have had additional training to raise awareness of institutional racism and unconscious bias. We aspire to work with our children and community to respect all and ensure children see role models from all cultures and ethnic backgrounds. With this in mind, we would value input from interested parents. Please feel free to speak to us or email the admin box.

Please also look out for further information in the coming weeks and months.

DSP Photographs-Friday 15th October & Wednesday 20th October 2021

Please remember that individual photographs will take place on **Friday 15th October 2021** and sibling photographs will take place on **Wednesday 20th October 2021** throughout the school day. The children should be in full school uniform.

Year 6 Secondary School Applications

If you have not already done so, please complete your secondary school application form for your Year 6 child by logging on to www.redbridge.gov.uk/eAdmissions. The deadline for submissions is **Saturday 31st October 2021**.

A step by step guide to complete your online application form can be found on the Cranbrook School website.

Nursery and Reception Parent Information Sessions

Parents and carers are invited to information sessions for **Nursery on Tuesday 19th October 2021** and **Reception on Wednesday 20th October 2021**. These sessions will begin at 9 am and finish at 9:30am in the main hall. Please join us if you can. These sessions are very beneficial in helping you to support your child's learning. For attendance at these sessions, please wear face coverings.

Appointments During School

Lately we have had far too many pupils missing school time for appointments, or leaving school early due to parents' appointments. Appointments should be made out of school hours, unless there are special circumstances that apply.

Child Absence

If your child is absent for more than 3 days due to any illness, please provide a medical evidence to the school office.

Parents Evening-19th October & 2nd November 2021 -4pm-5.30pm *appointments to be booked via Parentmail.

This term we will be conducting the progress meetings again through Microsoft teams. The meetings will be after school on **Tuesday 19th October 2021** and **Tuesday 2nd November 2021** from **3.30pm-6.20pm**. Further information has been sent via Parentmail.

Please note that meetings for classes **2Y and 4B** will be arranged separately after half-term.

School Fundraising 2021/2022

We are keen to work with our parents and local community to fundraise for the school in the following key areas:

- ◆ Developing the grounds and outdoor learning-we will be hosting volunteer days and welcome volunteers to help weed, plant and cut back and donations of gardening items eg. Compost, plants, shrubs, wellies, raincoats , outdoor play equipment
- ◆ Rebuilding our wooden playground fence-we are looking for anyone who can assist us with materials, building expertise
- ◆ Painting and decorating- we will be hosting volunteer days and welcome volunteers to help prep/paint and donations of paint, brushes, rollers
- ◆ IT equipment- we are looking for donations of ipads and laptops
- ◆ Books and Games- we are looking for donations of books to read and games/resources for Wet Playtimes

If you, your family, employer or Community organisation are able to make a donation of money, items or time, please contact our Business Manager, Amanda , who will be co-ordinating our fundraising efforts and volunteer days.

Online Safety

I hope you joined the Online Safety Session hosted by Parentzone. Based on feedback from parents, it was very enlightening.

Some parents/guardians asked for guidance on staying safe online during online tutoring. Can you please read over the attached poster which provides guidance on how to select online tutors and establishing clear rules.

Xmas4schools:

Your child will be coming home with their art design for a mug, calendar, cards or gift tags.

Please add you details on the back of the form and return it to the class teacher.

Xmas4schools will then send you a text message and an email when the portal is ready for you to order from.

We will not be able to process any late entries. All forms must be returned by **Wednesday 20th October 2021**. Thank you for your support.

Book Club:

Don't forget that our latest **Scholastic Book Club is now online** at <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/cranbrook/digital-book-club>. There are hundreds of fantastic children's books to choose from, and **every £1 you spend** on this month's Book Club will **earn 20p for our school** in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your order online by **29th October 2021**.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Key Dates for 2021-2022

Autumn Term 2021

Wednesday 1st September 2021– Friday 17th December 2021

Friday 15th October 2021-DSP Photographs Individual Portraits.

Friday 15th October 2021-Prents Wellbeing workshop/Coffee Morning-9.15am-11am

Tuesday 19th October 2021-Nursery Parent Information Session-9.am-9.30am in the main hall.

Tuesday 19th October 2021-Parents Evening-4pm -5.30pm.

Wednesday 20th October 2021-Reception Parent Information session-9am-9.30am in the main hall.

Wednesday 20th October 2021-DSP Photographs for siblings

Half term break-Monday 25th October 2021– Friday 29th October 2021

Monday 1st November 2021-Immunisations-Reception-Year 6-(Second Session)

Tuesday 2nd November 2021-Parents Evening-4pm-5.30pm

Christmas Break– Monday 20th December– Monday 3rd January 2022

Spring term 2022

Tuesday 4th January 2022-Friday 1st April 2022

Half term break-Monday 14th February 2022– Friday 18th February 2022

Easter break– Monday 4th April 2022– Monday 18th April 2022

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 19th April 2022– Friday 22nd July 2022

Half term break– Monday 30th May 2022 to Friday 3rd June 2022

Inset Days

1st, 2nd and 3rd September 2021

Monday 21st February 2022

Tuesday 3rd May 2022

Monday 11th July 2021-Additional Bank Holiday

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