



Cranmere Primary School and Nursery
Headteacher's Newsletter Friday 22nd March 2019

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What an amazing week we have had in school this week. We have had a visit from a Cricket talent scout who has been into school to talk to our children about cricket, a visit from Esher High Dance students to teach our children some Bollywood dance moves, a fantastic array of colours worn during our Festival of Colours Day and an amazing day of science workshops from the National Physics Laboratory! No wonder we all feel so very tired today! I wish everyone a restful weekend.

Kind regards, Kathie Daniels

Resilience	Resourcefulness	Respectful	Reflective	Responsible	Reasoning
6Rs were awarded to:					
Ladybirds:	Evie-Grace	Robins:	Nancy	Strawberries: Poppy	
Pumpkins:	Mauricio		Goldfish:	Lia	
Sunflowers:	Amy	Buttercups:	Alberena	Daffodils: Ruby	
Parakeets:	Ariana		Turtles:	Harry	
Dolphins:	Tom		Bluebirds:	Peter	
Oceans:	Harry G		Swallows:	Gabriella	
Emperors:	Ollie		Amethysts:	Keely	

Headteacher awards were presented this week to: Vivienne, Ella-Rose, Samara A, Jaye, Harry & Charlotte (Turtles) for wonderful writing. Well done to you all!



Lunchtime Golden Book Awards for this week: Oscar (Robins), Leo (Strawberries), Megan (Goldfish), Henry (Buttercups), Ruby (Daffodils), Xavier (Turtles), Kitty (Parakeets), Charley (Bluebirds), Khloe (Dolphins) and Melody (Amethysts). Thank you for being so wonderful in our playground!

Amethysts were our attendance winners this week. Sam Bear will enjoy his week with you in Year 6. Well done to you all!

Assembly Themes this week were:

Martial Arts, Kindness and the Holi Festival of Colour.

Sporting Achievements

It's been a very busy period in terms of sport. On March 13th, our netball team played a match v St Pauls. We won by 4 points to 1! Well played everyone. Our fantastic team were: **Amelia, Cassie, James, Tom, Wiktorina, Niamh and Jude.**

Last Saturday, 16th March, we entered teams into the District Cross Country event at Garsons. Despite the cold and breezy windy weather our children were a credit to us. We came 7th out of 13 schools as a result of the super efforts the children made. Well done to our committed children who battled the difficult conditions. Cranmere came in 7th overall which is a really good result. All of our children completed the whole course showing great resilience. We are very proud of you all!

Y4 : Keira, Bea, Joselyn, Erin, Scarlett J, Lola, Sam , Seb C, Sebastian F, Richie, Daniel and Dylan.

Y5: Annabel, Eva, Ivy, Amelia F, Millie, Amelia C, Ollie, Teddy, Bradley, Ethan, Karl and Finn.

Y6: Niamh, Ava, Cassie, Holly, Keely, James, Ben D, Sam, William H, Charlie and Ben C. My thanks to Miss Wood, Miss Brand, Mrs Gunasekara, Miss Etheridge and to all our parents and families who came to support!

We also had a great time at the Tag Rugby Festival on 15th March at Cobham Rugby Club. It was a values tournament and we are awaiting to hear which value we have won! Well done to our Y3 & Y4 children:

Harry W, Dylan, Erin, Josh C, Amy, Ben, Jake F, Ella, Callum and Samara B. Also our Y5&Y6 children: Sam C, Eva E, Amelia Cl, Joe , Toleen, Phoebe, Hoagy, Cameron, Holly and Aidan.

Bulletin Board

If you are interested in the **Princess Alice Towpath Trundle on Sunday 19th May** or **Engineering Tinkering on Wednesday 3rd April at Kingston University**, please click on the link below to our Bulletin Board.

<http://www.cranmereprimary.org.uk/document-library/category/30-bulletin-board.html>

Letters sent home this week:

⇒ Y3 Swimming



Dear Parents, this term's Young Writer's competition for children aged 5-7 is entitled **My Amazing Diary**. It challenges pupils to write a diary entry from a day at the park or the zoo to school, a magical adventure or the best day ever! Whether they are inspired to write about a real or imaginary day, this writing task is a perfect way for them to showcase their creative writing abilities. There is also a Young Writer's competition available for our older pupils entitled; **The Incredible Diary of.....** This invites our Key Stage 2 pupils to write a diary entry from their pet, an idol, a character or an object. Again, they can be inspired to write about a real or an imaginary event and this writing task provides them with the opportunity to become completely engaged in their writing and to let their imaginations run wild!

The closing date for entries to both competitions is **12th April 2019**. The Diaries must be the children's own work and can be submitted on the entry form or on a piece of A4 paper. Our school has the chance to win the 'Young Writers Award of Excellence', to showcase at school as well as money that can be used for purchasing books for the school. Everyone that enters will receive a bookmark and sticker and the 5 winners will also win a goodie bag full of prizes to encourage reading and writing. Children whose work is chosen to be published will also receive a certificate. If you would like to take part you can collect an entrance form from the school office or download one from. <https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/competitions/primary-school>. More information as well as some ideas for starting points for both writing tasks is also available on the website.



Both of these Writing tasks are a fantastic opportunity for the children to practise their writing skills in a purposeful way and to have the opportunity to get their work published. We wish all our Young Writers who choose to take part the best of luck.

Pencil cases and other items being brought into school are causing a bit of a problem. Pencil cases and writing equipment should be minimal so that they can be stored without taking away valuable working spaces on the children's tables. We do provide pencils etc in class so there is no need for large pencil cases filled with pens, pencils, felts, rubber etc.. We are happy for children to bring in a **small pencil case with one or two pens/pencils and an eraser but no more than that please**. It has come to my attention that we have a little bit of competitiveness going on in school with regards to who has the biggest pencil case or most equipment which is putting some pressure on families to purchase even more and upsetting for those children who do not bring any in to school. I appreciate your support in this. Many thanks.

A huge thank you to our bell ringers who assisted Mrs Daniels during the parent evenings this week: Jude, Toleen, Oliver E, Leila, Gabriella, Sebastien, Holly and Mia H. Your help is much appreciated.

DATES for your Diary 2018-2019

NB. Dates added since last newsletter are in bold

<u>Spring Term 2019</u>	
Fri 29th March	Y1 to Brooklands Museum
Mon 1st April	Class photos (Y6 only)
Wed 3rd April	Y2 Assembly 9am. Parents/Carers welcome.
Fri 5th April	Last day of Spring Term. Nursery closes at 1.45pm. Rest of school 2pm
	Easter Holidays 8th April—22nd April inclusive
<u>Summer Term 2019</u>	
Tues 23rd April	Summer Term Starts. Children return to school
Monday 29th April	Y3 start six weeks of swimming lessons (exc 6th May, 27th May & 3rd June)
Mon 6th May	May Bank Holiday. School closed.
Wed 8th May	Whole school photos (except Y6)
Sat 11th May	Cranmere Friends' May Ball
Mon 13th May	Y6 SATs week
Thurs 23rd & Fri 24th May	Y4 Residential at Hindleap Warren (departing 7.30am on 23rd).
Fri 24th May	Y3 to Hampton Court Palace
	HALF TERM Mon 27th May-Fri 31st May
Mon 17th to Fri 21st June	Y6 residential to Isle of Wight
Tues 4th June	Y6 Elmbridge Junior Citizen child safety event
Wed 26th June	Millers Ark to visit Nursery and Reception classes at school
Thurs 27th June	Y5 to Juniper Hall
Fri 28th June	Y1 to Wisley Gardens
Thurs 4th July	District Sports Track Events
Fri 5th July	Sports Day Reception & KS1 9-11.00 & KS2 1.00—3.00pm
Wed 10th July	Y5 & Y6 Production—Dress Rehearsal 1.30pm
Thurs 11th July	Y6 to Pizza Express in Esher am (2nd class)
	Y5 & Y6 Production 6.30pm
Fri 12th July	Sports Day (Reserve Date)
Mon 15th July	Y2 Summer Performance am
Wed 17th July	Moving Up Morning
Tues 23rd July	Y6 Leavers Assembly 9am
	Last day of Summer Term: Nursery closes at 1.45pm. Rest of school 2pm
Wed 24th July	INSET DAY—Staff Only

	Summer Holidays 25th July—3rd September inclusive
<u>Start of academic year 2019/20</u>	
Wed 4th Sept	INSET DAY—Staff only
Thurs 5th Sept	Start of term for children Reception to Y6
Fri 6th Sept	Start of term for Nursery (Owls class)
Mon 9th Sept	Start of term for Nursery (Puffins class)
Fri 13th Dec	Last day for Nursery (Owls class)
Mon 16th Dec	Last day for Nursery (Puffins class)
Weds 18th Dec	Last day for children Reception to Y6—1.30pm closure
Thurs 19th & Fri 20th Dec	INSET DAYS—Staff only to attend
<u>Spring Term 2020</u>	
Mon 6th Jan	Start of term for children
	HALF TERM 17th Feb—21st Feb
Fri 3rd April	Last day for children—1.30pm closure

<u>Summer Term 2020</u>	
Mon 20th April	Start of term for children
Mon 4th May	Bank Holiday
	HALF TERM 25th May—29th May
Tues 21st July	Last day for children—1.30pm closure
Wed 22nd July	INSET DAY—Staff only



Hi Everyone.

A massive thank you to Rob and Tony, The Quiz Masters, Shona and Jodie, the Markers, Louise, Joe and Charlie, for sorting the bar and Ruth for arranging Fish and Chips! Also, a big thanks to everyone else involved in organising such a great and profitable night and of course thank you to those who came! We raised an amazing £1,507!!! Congratulations to the winning team "We thought it was speed dating!"

Everyone who has paid for a Ball ticket should have now received their e-ticket. Please contact us at the Friends email if for any reason you haven't. We are now in the process of organising tables for anyone not already in a group of 12. If you do have to sell on your ticket to someone else, please let us know so we can adjust the table and food order accordingly.

We are delighted that a number of new parents to the school have recently joined the Friends, there is a summer fair meeting on Tuesday 26 March at 8pm at Marquis of Granby and we would love to see you there, if you would like to get involved in the fair or any other way please contact us a cranmerefriends@hotmail.com

Have a great weekend. The Friends Committee