

Dear Parent/Carers,

Thought of the week: "The size of your success is measured by the strength of your desire, the size of your dream and how you handle disappointment along the way".

(Robert Kiyosaki)

As always we celebrate the children's achievements:

Headteacher's Award: Almir. H-2B

Star of the week for ARP: Hammad. A

Gold Awards: Miia. M-3TG, Murtaza. H-3G, Inaya. H-4Y, Abdullah. R, Maryam.B, Eri. B & Abdur Rahman. R-5R, M. Ibrahim, Izaan.H, Poomika. K, Bassem. H, Shehzeen. A, Ayoub. M & M. Jalal-5B

Achievement Award for Writing: Shameer. A-1R, Sumayah. N-1Y, Maya. M-1G, Anmol. K-1B, Antonia. D-2R, Rohail. M-2Y, Aryan.A-2G, Ibrahim. M-2B, Abdullah. A-3R, Sara. H-3Y, Mustafa. A-3G, Ahraz. S-3B, Ali. A-4R, Arvin. S-4Y, Ahmed. D-4G, Amelia. A-4B, Arwa. K-5R, Mustaqim. U-5Y, Lujain. G-5B, Sumayyah. N-5G, Jannah. U-6R, Jannat. S-6Y, Zulqarnain. H-6G, Adam. A-6B Adam. H-6Y(For Maths last week) **Well done everyone!**

Holocaust Memorial Day-27th January 2023

As always this week we have taken time in assemblies to remember the atrocities of the past, the genocide of Jews in WWII and the learning that we have done since. We have also considered how we can ensure that the future is brighter for all, and no race or religion suffers at the hands of those in power.

Rights Respecting- Raising Awareness on children's rights

RIGHTS RESPECTING



Article 18: (parental responsibilities and state assistance)
Both parents share responsibility for bringing up their child and should always consider what is best for the child.
Governments must support parents by creating support services for children and giving parents the help they need to raise their child

Missing Jacket/Lost Property: We will always do our best to reunite pupils with their lost possessions. However, it would help if you could put your child's name and class on each item of clothing, book bags etc.

If your child has lost an item of clothing in school, please take a look at the **Lost Property Tubs**, which are located in the school playground by the green sheds.

Some pupils have not been able to recover their lost jackets. In this respect, please can you check at home for jackets that may not belong to your child. We understand that mistakes can happen.

Attendance: Well done to Years 2 Green & 6 Blue for achieving 98.7%. The overall percentage for the school was **93.5%**. Our target for this year is **96%**, which means we are still well below the national. **Please let's all continue to work together every week and try harder to reach our target!**

The lowest attenders are currently **1 Yellow!**

We need to see an improvement this week, 1 Yellow!

Please remember-Good attendance= good progress

Absences: If your child is away from school, please contact us to let us know the reason. Please note that if your child is missing school too often due to ill-health, we will request medical evidence in line with the agreed policy. Holidays during term time will not be authorised and parents **will** receive a penalty notice, especially when flights have been booked prior to seeking authorisation, even if special circumstances apply.

Year 1 Performance: The Year 1 performance will be taking place on Wednesday 8th February at 2.15pm in the main hall. We hope to see Year 1 parents there.

Parents Meetings-INSET Day-Monday 20th February 2023

Parents meetings will take place during the **INSET** day, 20th February, from 12.30pm to 4.30pm, where you will meet with your child's teacher in order to find out how your child is doing etc. Appointments will be available via Parent Mail in the week beginning 6th February in order for you to book an appointment with your child's teacher. More information to follow.

Strike Action – Wednesday 1st February 2023

The National Education Union will be taking strike action on Wednesday the 1st February 2023.

I'm sorry to inform you that Cranbrook Primary School will be closed on Wednesday 1st February 2023. We are asking you not to send your child into school on this day.

School will be **ONLY** be open for a small group of children. We will contact you if you fall under this group. Children of critical workers may also attend should there be a need.

Our Hubs, ARP and the CUBE will run as normal. You will receive more information through Parent Mail.

Car Park: Please be aware of the rules set out for the car park. We are continuously looking at ways to make the car park safer for our children and families. We have taken advice from the Safer Neighbourhood Team (Police) and will be implementing some changes soon. We encourage all our parents/carers to park responsibly. Please do not approach parents regarding parking as this may cause problems for all involved.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

School Website: I would encourage all Parents/Carers to visit the school website regularly to read and note new updates and information. It is full of key information and support to help with pupils learning. You will also find the Spring year group presentations for parents.

Universal Free School Meals: Please remember that children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive free school meals. However, families on low income (less than £15,000) still need to apply for free school meals, so that the school continues to receive the funding to pay for these and for other little extras.

If you require help with this, please speak to the office staff.

British Science Week 2023: This year the British Science Week will run from 10 -19 March and the theme is 'Connections'! We experience connections everyday and the world of science and technology is built on these marvellous connections. Please have a look at the taster packs on the school website for some fun activities you could do at home as a family. There will also be a poster competition coming up and activities that will take place at school during science week.

Year 6-Learn to Knit Club at lunchtime: Dear parents and carers, some of the year 6 children have expressed an interest in learning to knit in a small lunchtime club. In order to help facilitate this activity, we are asking for donations of wool and knitting needles to help us get this project up and running for the children. Please bring any donations to the school office for the attention of the year 6 team.

Human Appeal Charity: We are very excited to be partnering with the non-profit charity organisation, Human Appeal, who work across the globe to strengthen humanity's fight against poverty and social injustice. We will be carrying out various fundraising projects across the year which run in line with our school drivers. More details to follow soon so watch this space!

Donations for unwanted board games for lunch time Club

If you have any unwanted board games at home that you no longer require and would like to donate to Cranbrook, as we need it for our lunch time club, please bring them to the School Office. Many thanks!

Free short courses for Parents/carers at Barking and Dagenham College

Dear parents/carers, if you wish to enrol to free short courses / free Multiply courses at Barking and Dagenham College, please see the information attached. If you have missed your child's school vaccination, it's not too late – you can still get a flu vaccine from your GP if your child has a long term health condition and is in the 'at risk' category or your local School Aged Immunisation Service as per the details below. Visit www.nhs.uk/wintervaccinations or search 'NHS child flu vaccine' for more information.

Flu Vaccination for Children: If you have missed your child's school vaccination, it's not too late – you can still get a flu vaccine from your GP if your child has a long term health condition and is in the 'at risk' category or your local School Aged Immunisation Service as per the details below. Visit

www.nhs.uk/wintervaccinations or search 'NHS child flu vaccine'. Please see the leaflet attached for more information.

Key Dates for this Term

Spring Term 2023:

Thursday 5th January 2023-Friday 31st March 2023

Tuesday 31st January 2023-Year 3R/3B-Visit to Hindu Temple

Thursday 2nd February 2023-Year 3G/3Y-Visit to Hindu Temple

Wednesday 8th February-Year 1 Performance to parents at 2.15pm in the main hall

Half term break: Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February 2023

Easter Break: Monday 3rd April-Friday 14th April 2023

Summer Term 2023: Monday 17th April to Friday 21st July 2023

Half term break Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2023

Inset Days:

Monday 20th February 2023-Parents meeting in the afternoon (face to face meeting)

Monday 20th February 2023

Monday 5th June 2023

Friday 30th June 2023

Please note: The school will be closed for pupils on inset days.

Safer Internet Day 2023: Safer Internet Day 2023 will take place on the **7th of February 2023** with the theme '**Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online**'.

We are celebrating by putting children voices at the heart of the day and encouraging them to shape the online safety support that they receive. That is why we are asking parents\carers to take time to listen to children to make positive change together. Please find attached a guide for creating a safer environment for children to talk about online safety.

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