Cranbrook Primary School Newsletter

## Thought of the week

"Compassion and tolerance are not a sign of weakness but a sign of strength". (Dalai Lama)

## Message from the Head teacher:

Dear Parents/Carers, I hope you have all appreciated our Senior Leadership Team being more available during drop-off and collection times. It has been nice for us all to spend time talking to you all.

Sadly we had to investigate an incident of unacceptable conduct between parents/carers and as a result I am left with no choice but to take strict action against any such incidences. Please be clear that unacceptable conduct within the school is not tolerated and will result in a warning or a ban for the adults concerned. We do not wish to inconvenience anyone, however the safety and protection of our children is our utmost priority.
So following on from last week's message, please show respect and tolerance to all and remember we cannot control the actions of others, but we can control our own.

## Punctuality-Late collections:

Parents have a responsibility to ensure their child/ children are collected on time. I would like to remind all parents/ carers to be more punctual in collecting their child/ children. Parents have 15 minutes from the collection time to collect their child from the school playground.
Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 finish school at 3pm, if they are collected any later than $3: 30$ pm they will be charged $£ 2.50$ for every 10 minutes they are late. Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 finish school at $3: 15 \mathrm{pm}$, if they are collected any later than $3: 45 \mathrm{pm}$, they will be charged $£ 2.50$ for every 10 minutes they are late. The fee will only be waivered in exceptional circumstances.

## Every Day Matters!

## 15 days of $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ attendance $=$ Fun day!

Being in school is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing, and wider development. Evidence shows that the students with the highest attendance throughout their time in school gain the best results. Research found that pupils who performed better as well. At Cranbrook, we will be celebrating when classes have had 15 days of $100 \%$ attendance with a non- uniform day. Why 15 days? One for every letter of the phrase, 'Every Day Matters'. You will receive a School Ping message to inform you if your child's class has a non-uniform day.

## World Religion Day- Thursday 15 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ February 2024

To celebrate World Religion day children can wear clothing that celebrates their religion or their culture on the 15th February 2024. Children can bring in religious artefacts and photos to show and tell to their class.

Please be creative and avoid any national football t-shirts or flags.

## Key Dates

## Term Dates for 2024

Spring Term 2024:
Thursday $4^{\text {th }}$ January 2024 to Thursday $28^{\text {th }}$ March 2024

## Thursday 15 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ February 2024

Year 3 Safari Pete Workshop AM
Friday $16^{\text {th }}$ February 2024
Year 2 Trunk Theatre Workshop- all day

## Half term break:

Monday $19^{\text {th }}$ February-
Friday $23^{\text {rd }}$ February 2024

## Monday 4 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ March 2024

Year 4Y/4G to visit the Centre of the Cell
Thursday $7^{\text {th }}$ March 2024
Year 4B/4R to visit the Centre of the Cell

## Easter Half term break:

Friday 29th March 2024 -Friday $12^{\text {th }}$ April 2024

## Summer Term 2024:

Monday $15^{\text {th }}$ April - Tuesday $23^{\text {rd }}$ July 2024

## Half term break:

Monday $27^{\text {th }}$ May to Friday $31^{\text {st }}$ May 2024

## Inset Days 2023-2024:

$26^{\text {th }}$ February 2024 (Parent Consultations)
$3^{\text {rd }}$ June 2024
School will be closed on Inset days

## Big Science Week:

This year British Science Week will begin on Friday 8 March, however we've decided to celebrate early by having a special science focused Big Write Week which will take place the week commencing Monday 26 February. Children will spend time exploring scientific phenomena related to Time, producing a scientific journal or narrative to showcase their learning. It will certainly be a fascinating theme to explore as physicists have dedicated their life's work to understanding the concept of time in our universe.


## KS2 Children - Morning Break Snacks:

If your child is in year 3-6, please send them to school with healthy nut free snacks, if you feel they need it.
For example, fruit, vegetables and cereal bars. The School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme Provides children in Early Years and KS1 with a piece of free fruit or veg daily.

## MATHS NSPCC ROCKS!

Well done to everyone for participating in the NSPCC Rocks competition. The top three classes who scored the highest total points were:

## 1st place: 6R

2nd place: 6G
3rd place: 5G
The top scoring students from across the school were:
1st place: Sumayyah S 5G
2nd place: Hemish B 5R
3rd place: Ayden A 6R
We encourage all pupils to continue using Times Tables Rockstars regularly, as this is a vital resource to boost maths confidence.

In addition, it was lovely to see you all wearing lots of creative maths outfits during Number day. We raised $£ 202.00$ for the NSPCC. Thank you for donating and getting involved in making Maths fun for our children.

## Lost Property

A Light blue scooter has gone missing from the bike shed since yesterday, if someone has taken it by mistake, please return it back to the school office.

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.


Thursday 15 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ February $\underline{2024}$
Year 3 Safari Pete Workshop in the morning

Friday 16 ${ }^{\text {tth }}$ February 2024
Year 2 Trunk Theatre Workshop- all day

## After School Club reminder for Year 6 Parent/Carers:

Dear Year 6 Parents/carers, please remember that if your child attends an after school club, they are not allowed to walk home alone, they must be collected by an authorised adult.

## School will be closed to pupils, on Monday $26{ }^{\text {th }}$ February due to Inset day! Reminder for Parents

Dear Parents/carers, please note that the gym area is closed during school collection times. Please do not allow your children to climb the fence and enter the gym at the end of the day.

Pancake day Tuesday $13^{\text {th }}$ February 2024
Cranbrook will be taking part in 'Pancake Day on Tuesday $13^{\text {th }}$ February. For more information please see the leaflet which was sent last week.

## Email address to report an Absence:

## Attendance Winners

Well done to Year 1B for achieving 99.3\% attendance this week!

Remember: Good attendance= good progress

Please report any absence for your child on the email address below:
absence@cranbrookprimary.red bridge.sch.uk

## Achievement Awards for RE:

| Name |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jasnav. S \& Ameerah. K |  |
| Maira. K \& Amaan. M |  |
| Krishika. M (for being kind and good |  |
| friend) \& M. Sulaiman (for settling in) |  | RG

Well done everyone!

Family Maths Challenge: Answer to last week's challenge: $220=47+53+59+61$

## Use four 9s in a math equation that equals 100

Online Safety and Roblox Checklist: Online games that involve social interactions can help develop people skills, such as communication, teamwork, and leadership. Multiplayer online games often require players to work together to achieve a common goal, which can improve teamwork and collaboration skills. However, online gaming do pose some dangers and challenges.

I have noticed that the number of children playing Roblox has increased and it is now becoming a popular game. I have decided to share this information with you. Roblox and SWGfL have collaborated together and created a checklist for parents which includes:

- How to report abuse.
- How to block users.
- Setting up a parent control pin.
- And more.

The resource can be downloaded here:
https://swgfl.org.uk/assets/documents/roblox-checklist-2023.pdf? = $=1691587832$

## Parents Meetings-INSET Day-Monday 26th February 2024

Parents meetings will take place during the INSET day, 26th February, from 12.30 pm to 4.30 pm , 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 school ping in the week beginning 5th February in order for you to book an appointment with your child's teacher. More information to follow.

We would love you our parents \& carers to share recommendations of individuals who inspire them, especially from your own culture.

Your diverse insights will contribute to a variety of inspirations within our school community.

Please send them to:

## Admin.cranbrookpri mary@redbridge.gov. uk



## Celebrating Cultural Connections-Celebrating diversity across our school:

## Nainoa Thompson:

Nainoa Thompson, a Native Hawaiian master navigator, developed the modern Hawaiian star compass based on Mau Piailug's Carolinian star compass. At a young age, Nainoa learned about Polynesian voyaging through his father and studied how to use natural navigation methods.

In 1980, Nainoa completed his first voyage from Hawaii to Tahiti using the star compass, making him the first person since the 14th century to practice the nearextinct art of wayfinding.

Nainoa received multiple awards, including the Unsung Hero of Compassion Award and the Peter Benchley Ocean Award for Excellence in Marine Exploration.
"We can't care for something we don't understand. This is the purpose of why we explore and why we voyage." - Nainoa Thompson

Follow this link to learn more about Polynesian Culture

- https://kids.britannica.com/students/article/Polynesian-culture/631701


