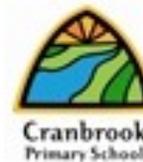


# Our Children Today, Our Future Tomorrow



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7th November 2018

Dear Parent/Carers,

We continue to focus on our value of the month 'Friendship', with discussions in classes and assemblies about games to play in friendship groups in the playground. Please support us as always with these discussions, reinforcing the positive values that we continue to promote.

**Writers of the week:** Maryam Bham, Ayoub Mohammed, Alisha Choudhury, Jaseena Zaheen, Cherazade Marie, Sara Gill, Zara Ayubson, Vanessa Blevaite, Hannah Rahman, Haaziq Ali, Madeeha Rafiq, Eliza Ali, Walid Hassan, Qasim Al-Karim, Isa Patel, Isa Abdul Ghaffur, D' Mari Reid, Amina Rafiq, Daneen Gazi, Ashraf Khan, Hafsa Moosa, Imaad Awan.

**Mathlete awards:** Arshaan Tanveer, Atene Ozalaite, Yusuf Qamar Ahmed, Ayden Uddin, Zaheera Hoque, Aron Gradica, Hafsah Sohail, Stefania Matei, Murtaza Ali, Hadiya Izzat, Zayn Ali, Masoom Abdul, Mohammed Ibrahim Awan, Julia Wilgreiz, Zainab Sayed, Zoha Ayub, Maria Sheikh, Hassan Naeem, Mateen Hussain, Amriit Assi, Abdullah Raof, Natan Sai.

**Well done to you all!**

## Developing fine motor skills

More and more we are seeing a decline in children's hand/ eye coordination and fine motor skills, which are essential for legible handwriting and presentation. This is because so many children now use ipads and laptops more than used to be the case in the past. If your child struggles with handwriting, please talk to the classteacher for advice on what activities would support the development of these skills.

## Litter

I would like to call on the whole school community to work together to reduce the litter that appears in the **car park** every single day. This happens mostly after school when **some** parents allow their child to drop litter, rather than use the bins or take it home. Please let's work together to keep our school and car park tidy at all times.

## Uniform

Overall, our children come to school in uniform everyday. However, there is room for improvement in some cases. Please support us by ensuring that your child is appropriately attired for school. If you are struggling to get hold of the jumpers, we have a number regularly abandoned in the lost property tubs, or you can talk to Beverley Boothe, our Parent Support Adviser, who will assist in getting hold of some uniform under special circumstances.

## Poppies for sale

Once again as a lead up to **Remembrance Day** and follow up to the special assembly last week, poppies are on sale in the main office. Children are invited to bring in donations for a poppy.

## Attendance figures for last week

29th October – 2nd November 2018

R. Y	93.2%	R.R	94.7%
R.G	89.0%	R.B	94.7%
Yr 1B	95.2%	Yr 4B	99.3%
Yr 1G	99.3%	Yr 4G	94.7%
Yr 1R	98.6%	Yr 4R	96.7%
Yr 1Y	98.0%	Yr 4Y	94.7%
Yr 2B	99.0%	Yr 5B	98.6%
Yr 2G	95.3%	Yr 5G	97.4%
Yr 2R	94.0%	Yr 5R	98.3%
Yr 2Y	97.7%	Yr 5Y	98.4%
Yr 3B	99.0%	Yr 6B	94.8%
Yr 3G	96.2%	Yr 6G	97.4%
Yr 3R	98.7%	Yr 6R	94.5%
Yr 3Y	98.6%	Yr 6Y	98.7%

**Well done to Year 1 Green and Year 4 Blue for achieving 99.3%.** The overall percentage for the whole school was 96.6%. Our target for this year is 96.1%. **Please let's all continue to work together every week and try to exceed our target.**

## Unauthorised Absence:

I would like to remind you that if your child has 12 sessions of unauthorised absence through late arrivals **recorded throughout the academic year, the Local Authority** will issue you with a penalty notice. **The notice incurs a fine of £120 per parent per child, which is reduced to £60 per parent per child, if it is paid within 21 days.**

## Children In Need 16th November 2018

Once again we will be raising money for this very worthy cause by inviting children to come in **non-uniform** next **Friday 16th November 2018**, with a donation of **£1**. In addition, **Year 5 pupils** will have the opportunity of staying over night for a sleepover on **Friday 23rd November 2018**. There will be a limit on numbers, so please look out for the letter which will be sent out tomorrow.

## Update Contact Details / Emergency Information

If you have changed any contact details, such as phone numbers or your address, please let the school office know urgently, so that we can make contact in an emergency situation.

# KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## Themed Lunch

We will be having a special themed lunch "Roast Dinner Day" on **14th November**. Children will select their meal in the morning in the classroom, as usual. The lunch is £2.00 as usual.

## P4C- Philosophy For Children

We have recently introduced **P4C** lessons into our school timetable for all our classes from Nursery to Year 6. These lessons aim to develop children's listening, speaking and critical thinking skills and focus on philosophical questions such as: **Are we all equal?** Observations demonstrate that children are engaging fully in these philosophical discussions and making valid contributions.

It would be fantastic if as parents/ carers, you could engage in similar discussions with your child to develop their thinking and reflection skills, as well as their ability to present their own ideas and opinions.

## Sensible Shoes/Coats

Now that the weather has turned very cold, please ensure that your child brings a coat to school and is dressed appropriately in full uniform. Please also ensure that sensible shoes are worn to school.

## Parent Mail

We encourage all parents to download the **Parentmail APP**, if you have not yet done so. It is important so that the school can alert you of any important information and for you to be informed of current goings on within the school. School trip letters will now be sent via Parent Mail, and we would encourage parents to pay via Parent Mail please

## Missing Jacket

A **Dark Blue Jacket** with a distinctive bright orange lining has gone missing. When worn, the orange lining is clearly visible in the hood and two pockets. It also has orange zips (visible on outside). If anyone has taken it by mistake, can you please return it to the school office?

## Booking School Dinners

Please book your child's school dinner on-line, especially for **Reception age pupils**.

## Design a Safety Helmet Competition for Key Stage 2 (Year 3-6)

The children in **Key stage 2 (Year 3-6)** will be taking part in a competition, in which they are required to design their own **Safety Helmet** online. The link to register for the competition is under **Travel Plan**, which will be available on the school website, by the end of this week. There will be fantastic prizes for the winners, including bikes, which will be provided by the competition organiser. The deadline for entry is **27th November 2018**.

## Key Dates for this Term

**8th Nov- Year 4Y & 4G-Trip to RAF Museum**

**9th Nov- Year 4B & 4R- Trip to RAF Museum**

**13th Nov- Year 3 Green & 3 Yellow- Hindu Temple Visit**

**14th Nov- Themed Lunch - "Roast Dinner Day".**

**15th Nov- Year 3 Red & 3 Blue-Hindu Temple Visit**

**16th Nov- Children In Need- Non- Uniform Day**

**23rd Nov- Year 5 Sleepover for children In Need**

**30th Nov- Year 5 Space Camp Day**

**11th Dec- Year 4 topic day "Battle of Britain" (Dress up).**

**12th Dec- CFA Movie Night**

**17th Dec- Nursery & reception- Christmas parties.**

**18th Dec- Christmas parties for Year 1,2 & 3**

**19th Dec- Christmas parties for Year 4, 5 & 6**

**20th Dec - Last Day of term**

**21st Dec -Inset for staff, school closed for pupils**

**21st Dec. - 4th Jan 2019 - Christmas Break**

**7th Jan 2019- School opens for pupils**

## Colour Assemblies

Please note: **Tomorrow's Colour Assembly is cancelled.** Please see next weeks newsletter for an update on what colour assemblies will take place on the 15th November.

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