## Cranbrook Primary School

 Newsletter
## Thought of the week "

"It is confidence in our bodies, minds and spirits that allows us to keep looking for new adventures". (Oprah Winfrey)

## Message from the Head teacher:

Dear Parents/Carers,
Welcome back! I hope you have all enjoyed the break.
The children as always returned have with great enthusiasm.
As we resume school, we embrace the new term with enthusiasm and commitment to our students' growth and appreciate your ongoing support.

It was lovely to see most of the parents/carers at the parents evening on Monday and we look forward to seeing more today.

Thank you for the prompt drop-offs and pick-ups. We are getting the children into class on time and learning time is not lost. Please keep this up.

You will have noticed the presence of SLT members at pick up and drop off times. Please feel free to say hi.

We have noticed a drop in aggressive behaviours and would like to see this totally eliminated, especially in pedestrian and car park areas. Please drive, park and walk safely.

## Holiday and Half-Term Dates:

Please note that all school term dates are set by Redbridge Council, this includes the half-term and holiday start and finish dates. More information, including school term dates until 2025 can be found at:
https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/term-dates/

## Secondary School Applications for September 2024:

Year 6 parents will receive an email on the evening of Friday 1st March 2024 to inform you of the outcome of your secondary school application for your child.

You must respond to the offer within 14 days.
To accept your offer please log into your eadmissions account at: www.eadmissions.gov.uk

If you have problems logging into eadmissions, please contact the eadmissions support team via their website at: www.eadmissions.gov.uk/support.

Further information can be found on the school website.

## Key Dates

Term Dates for 2024

## Spring Term 2024

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

Monday $4^{\text {th }}$ March 2024
Year 4Y/4G to visit the Centre of the Cell
Wednesday 6 $^{\text {th }}$ March 2024
Redbridge Choir Competition at St. Peter \&
Paul's Catholic Primary School

## Wednesday $6^{\text {th }}$ March 2024

Year 1B/1R-Visit to Methodist Church-9.3011.30am

Thursday 7th March 2024
Year 1Y/1G-Visit to Methodist Church-9.3011.30am

Thursday 7th March 2024
Year $4 B / 4 R$ to visit the Centre of the Cell
Wednesday $13^{\text {th }}$ March 2024
Year 6R/6B-Junior Citizenship Day from 9am12.30 pm

Thursdav 14 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ March 2024
Year 6G/6Y-Junior Citizenship Day from 9am12.30 pm

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:
$3^{\text {rd }}$ June 2024
School will be closed on Inset days

## World Book Day-Friday 8th March 2024:

Cranbrook Primary will be celebrating world book day on Friday the 8th of March. This year, we are holding a vocabulary parade! We invite you all to dress as a word from the dictionary - you can be as creative as possible and construct your outfit from items you already have around the home.

- What would the word 'Quirky' look like?
- Can you make yourself 'Luminescent'?
- Do you have the colours to become 'Verdant'?
- Can you be 'Formidable'?

In addition we have an exciting competition - on the 20th March, the travelling book fair will be once again joining us at the school. To be in with a chance of winning a $£ 5$ voucher to spend at the book fair, can you come up with a creative title for one of the books below. To enter, simply write your title on a piece of paper, with either the word squirrel or cookie and your name and class colour. Our junior librarians will come round on Monday the 18th of March to collect your entries. We will choose winners from EYFS, KS1 and KS2:


## Online Safety- Safer Internet Day:

Online Safety and safeguarding is not only the responsibility of educators, but most importantly parents/guardians. We monitor what is happening within the school, but we need your help to monitor what is happening at home.

Last week on Tuesday 6th February; it was Safer Internet Day. We reminded children about the dangers of being online and how to keep themselves safe using everyday devices. An unofficial survey was carried out by children at CPS and it is evident that some parents don't supervise their child when he/she is using a device. This is very alarming.

We all need to work collaboratively to keep our children safe online. Please talk to your child about Online Safety. It is the adult's responsibility to monitor device usage, screen time and enable parental controls.

Please use the link below to understand parental controls further: https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parentalcontrols/

The below link will help with setting up parental controls:
https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/

## 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 26th 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.

## Lost Property

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.


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.

## Year 4 Class Assemblies for Parents/carers in the main hall at 2.30 pm :

Year 4Y-Friday $8^{\text {th }}$ March 2024

Year 4B-Monday $11^{\text {th }}$ March 2024

Year 4R-Friday $15^{\text {th }}$ March 2024

Year 4G-Monday $18^{\text {th }}$ March 2024

## Year 1 Class Assemblies for Parents/carers in the main hall at 2.30pm:

Year 1G-Wednesday $20^{\text {th }}$
March 2024
Year 1 Y-Thursday $21^{\text {st }}$ March 2024

Year 1R-Friday 22nd ${ }^{\text {th }}$
March2024
Year 1B-Monday $25^{\text {th }}$ March 2024

Attendance Winners
Well done to Year 3Blue for achieving 98\% attendance this week!

Remember: Good attendance= good progress

## Email address to report an Absence:

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


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Achievement Awards for Historv/Geoarawhv:

| Name | Class |
| :---: | :---: |
| Arwa. A | RR |
| Izrath. F | RY |
| Abdul. Raheem | RG |
| Aamna. K | RB |
| Salman.S | 1R |
| Musa. K | 1 Y |
| Zayaan. A | 1 G |
| Sulaiman. U | 1 B |
| Paula. B | 2R |
| Nabiha. H | 2 Y |
| Zain. A | 2G |
| Gulrukh. A | 2B |
| Fatima. H | 3R |
| Riyanshi. P | 3 Y |
| Aris. C | 3G |
| Pranaya. A | 3B |
| Musa. P | 4R |
| Abiha. R | 4 Y |
| Yasin. A | 4G |
| Muhammad Ibrahim | 4B |
| Mehvish. I | 5R |
| Salma. H | 5 Y |
| Ayesha. J | 5G |
| Saleenah. M | 5B |
| Sofia. V | 6 R |
| Zahra. H | 6 Y |
| Isaac. U | 6G |
| Mohammed Jalal | 6B |

## Family Maths Challenge:

Answer to last week's challenge: From F I V E, take off the letter F \& E, so that IV is left.
$X$ is a three-digit number. The tens digit is 5 more than the ones digit. The hundreds digit is 8 less than the tens digit. What is X ?

## 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 3:30pm 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.

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:

## Shaun Tan - author/illustrator

Shaun Tan was born in 1974 and grew up in the northern suburbs of Perth, Western Australia. In school he became known as the "good drawer" which partly compensated for always being the shortest kid in every class. He graduated from the University of WA in 1995 with joint honours in Fine Arts and English Literature, and currently works full time as a freelance artist and author, concentrating mostly on writing and illustrating picture books.

He is best known for illustrated books that deal with social and historical subjects through dream-like imagery, widely translated throughout the world and enjoyed by readers of all ages. Shaun is the recipient of an Academy Award for the short animated film The Lost Thing, the prestigious Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award in Sweden and the Kate Greenaway Medal in the UK as well as many other honours.


