

# Our Children Today, Our Future Tomorrow



Newsletter 9

3rd November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you all had a restful half-term! As always, the children have returned happy and settled.

### **Thought of the week:**

"If tolerance, respect and equity permeate family life, they will translate into values that shape societies, nations and the world."

(Kofi Annan)

### **Achievement Awards for PE/Dance:**

Amelia. A-1G, Anamta. K-1Y, Adam. K-1B, Aiza. M-2B, Lidia. B-2R, Maya. D-3B, Kharni. K-3B, , Hemish. B-3R, Haoyu. Z-3Y, Ayra. A-4R, yahya. D-4G, Ameera. J-4B, Aleena. K-5R, Haider. A-6Y, Daniel. S-6R

**Well done!**

### **Well-being Parent Workshop (Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021)**

Cranbrook Primary will be hosting a Parent Workshop on Well-being strategies. You will receive input from our staff, who have knowledge and experience on this subject, with opportunities to interact with other parents and ask questions. There will also be a free raffle draw at the end of the session. Please come directly to the **school dance studio** entrance. See attached flyer for more details. **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021 from 9.15 to 11am** in the **dance studio**.

### **COVID Update**

Locally and nationally numbers of positive cases and hospitalisations continue to rise to significant levels of concern. Within school we are also seeing this. I therefore, urge you all to support us in adhering to social distancing and relevant safety measures, particularly if your child demonstrates any symptoms.

**Safeguarding and Child Protection:** All schools and settings working with children have a duty to safeguard pupils from harm. As part of the local authority and school policy, designated senior staff respond to disclosures made by children in school. In the main, the key area of concern within our school community relates to physical chastisement (hitting children) or domestic violence. As staff we are required to share these concerns with social services and with parents and carers. In certain circumstances we will need to speak to children in advance of speaking to parents if they have shared their worries or concerns and pass them on to external agencies. We will always remain focussed on this duty and work in close partnership with parents and carers to achieve positive outcomes for our children.

If you would like further information on our Safeguarding procedures, please see the school website.

### **Holidays during term time**

Please note that it is school and Local authority policy **not to authorise** holidays during term time. Parents who choose to take their child out for this reason, will be fined **£120** per child per parent. Please do your best to avoid this.

Please also note that your child is at serious risk of losing the school place if lengthy absences occur.

### **Online Safety for Parents**

I hope you all had a fantastic half term break! It is imperative to use technology in a meaningful and safe manner. We have worked alongside Prevent to organise an online training session.

The online safety session will cover the following components;

- Understanding the online world of young people
  - Understanding the risks (social media/gaming)
  - Boundaries/strategies
- Support

The online safety training session will be on Wednesday 17th November from 9:30am. Please try your best to attend the session.

The link will be provided closer to the session.

Stay safe, stay well and always be safe online.

### **Redbridge Health Check Team Visit Wednesday 10th November 2021**

The **NELFT Redbridge School Health Team** (who work as part of the NHS) will shortly be coming to the school to measure the height and weight of pupils in Reception and in Year 6. This is part of the National Child Measurement Programme. If you have a child in Reception or Year 6 you would have received a letter with information to explain this in advance.

If attached to your results letter you receive an invite to a healthy lifestyle session, we encourage you to attend to receive information about follow-up activities for your child to improve their physical health.

**Reading:** For the next two weeks the school will be focusing on promoting reading for pleasure. Therefore picture books and books from the class reading corners will be sent home in replacement of your child's stage book. Please continue to engage with your child's reading of this book and bring all books back into school so that they can be changed.

### **Birthday cakes/Treats**

In line with the school health and safety policy, we are unable to accept any birthday cakes or treats for special occasions, as we have so many pupils with allergies.

## **Glow Day – Non-uniform Friday 19th November 2021**

As the weather is now changing and the days are getting darker, we will be having a non-uniform "Glow Day", which will take place on **Friday 19th November 2021**. Please encourage your children to wear bright clothes. There is no cost for this event. We simply want to promote safety in the dark.

## **OUTDOORLEARNING@CPS**

We now have a set of litter picks from Redbridge Council, 200 tulip and daffodil bulbs, and we are expecting 140 tree saplings in early November! In the next few weeks, we will need to do plenty of work to clear, dig, plant around the school.

Pupils will be involved with the planting of the bulbs and trees and I'm hoping to organise some litter picking sessions on the field and the playground. However, pupils cannot clear litter in the car-parks which is where parent volunteers would be greatly appreciated.

If you would like to volunteer some time to help with any of these upcoming projects, please leave your details at office and I will get back to you.

## **Uniform/Jewellery**

As always I would ask for your support in ensuring that children follow the school's uniform policy each day and that they wear no jewellery to school. All children should wear sensible shoes. **Uniform can be purchased from Rupens (98/100 Meads Lane, Seven Kings, Essex IG3 8QN).**

## **Sensible Shoes/Coats/Hats/Gloves**

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.

## **Free webinar for parents on helping your maths-anxious child**

Please feel free to use [the link](#) to the forthcoming free webinar for parents entitled: **Helping Your Maths-Anxious Child** on **Wednesday 3rd November** at **7:30pm**.

Using both the latest research and her vast experience in this area, Rachel (Maths Author and Educational Psychology Lead at Eedi) will give practical advice on ways how you can help your children with their maths, whether they are struggling with maths anxiety or stuck on their homework. And they'll learn tips for keeping their own maths anxieties at bay too!

For more information, please click the link below:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_RaZtoO11RIGk7HzuDRVYMA](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_RaZtoO11RIGk7HzuDRVYMA)

# KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## **Key Dates for 2021-2022**

### **Autumn Term 2021**

**Wednesday 1st September 2021– Friday 17th December 2021**

Wednesday 10th November 2021– Redbridge Health Check team to visit Cranbrook Primary

Friday 12th November 2021– Wellbeing workshop for parents-9.15am-11am

Thursday 18th November 2021– Year 4 & 5 Art Exhibition after school-main hall

Friday 19th November 2021-Glow Day– Non-uniform day

Friday 19th November 2021-Year 6 Art Exhibition after school in the main hall.

Thursday 9th December 2021-Year 3 Fantastic Finish Day

Christmas Break– Monday 20th December-Monday 3rd January 2022

### **Spring term 2022**

**Tuesday 4th January 2022-Friday 1st April 2022**

Half term break-Monday 14th February 2022– Friday 18th February 2022

Easter break– Monday 4th April 2022– Monday 18th April 2022

### **Summer Term 2022**

**Tuesday 19th April 2022– Friday 22nd July 2022**

Half term break– Monday 30th May 2022 to Friday 3rd June 2022

### **Inset Days**

**1st, 2nd and 3rd September 2021**

**Monday 21st February 2022**

**Tuesday 3rd May 2022**

**Monday 11th July 2021-Additional Bank Holiday**

## **DSP Photos**

The deadline for ordering the photos is **Thursday 11th November 2021**. If you are ordering photos, please ensure orders are sent in by **Thursday** with the correct money enclosed.

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