

Dear Parent/Carer,

Thought of the week: "We tend to forget that happiness doesn't come as a result of getting something we don't have, but rather of recognising and appreciating what we do have."

(Fredrick Kenoing)

Achievement Awards for Geography/History:

Hamid. A-1G, David. M-1Y, Adam. A-2B, Haaniya. S-2R, Alinne. B-2Y, Abeera. K & Maksim. M-3G, Ayaan. Z-3Y, Ryan. K-4G, Ishaq. M-4R, Yaqub. H-4Y, Ibrahim. R-5R, Sulaiyman. S-5G, Arif. B-5B, Lily. M-6B, Aleeza. Q-6R, Skye. C-6Y

Well done!

National Anti-Bullying Week – 15th November to 19th November 2021

Cranbrook Primary will celebrate **Anti-Bullying Week** in a positive way, with this year's theme being '**One Kind Word**'. This will start on **Monday 15th November 2021** by asking children to wear **odd socks** to school- **Odd Socks Day!** There is no pressure to wear the latest fashion or buy expensive costumes. All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks, it could not be simpler! There is a parent pack that you can access from the school website (under the Safeguarding tab). You will find information on bullying, ideas for conversations and activities to complete with the children. At school children will attend an assembly and have lessons in class. We welcome your support in addressing a very important aspect around our children's safety and well-being.

What is bullying?

The Anti-bullying Alliance **defines bullying** as the repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power.

Safeguarding and Child Protection: What is Safeguarding?

Safeguarding is the action that is taken to promote the welfare of children and to protect them from harm.

- Protecting children from abuse and maltreatment
- Preventing harm to children's health or development
- Ensuring children grow up with the provision of safe and effective care
- Taking action to enable all children and young people to achieve the best outcomes.

Child protection is one part of the safeguarding process. It focuses on protecting individual children identified as suffering or likely to suffer significant harm. This includes child protection procedures which detail how to respond to concerns about a child. Safeguarding children and child protection applies to all children under the age of 18.

At Cranbrook, our first and foremost priority is to ensure

your child is safe and healthy; there are safeguarding notices around our school to remind staff and visitors of our policies and practices with the key message that: '**Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility**'.

If you are worried about a child's safety, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the Safety Team. The following members of staff are Designated Safeguarding Leads for Cranbrook Primary School:

Kimberly (DSL) · Jas · Cassim · Darshan · Catriona · Catherine · Beverley

For a copy of our school's Child Protection Policy and Keeping Children Safe in Education 2021, please visit the 'Safeguarding' page on our school website.

Please note, Reception School Applications for September 2022: All Nursery parents are required to submit their child's application for Primary School by **Saturday 15th January 2022**. Parents are required to submit three supporting documents as proof of residency along with the application. To complete the application please log on to **www.redbridge.gov.uk/eAdmissions**

If you miss this deadline, your child may not get a school place.

Well-being Parent Workshop (Friday 12th 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 12th November 2021** from **9.15 to 11am** in the **dance studio**.

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 for the session:

https://teams.microsoft.com/join/19%3ameeting_Y2M3ZDNkY2QtNTgyOC00Y2ZmLWJlYTUtMWU3M2VhZDdkZiQ5%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%222a8b2c16-2e9e-4dce-a97b-a0b34e803a22%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22e728af4c-908f-483b-8f1f-f51b0a816d65%22%7d

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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.

Poppies for sale

Once again as a lead up to **Remembrance Day**, poppies will be on sale each day. Children are invited to bring in donations for a poppy.

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.

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.

Reading:

For the next few 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.

Donations for Reading Books

As a school, we are constantly looking to expand the selection of reading books available to all pupils. We welcome donations to help us achieve this aim - if you would like to contribute money to help support the education of our children and develop our reading offer, please speak to the staff at the front office.

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

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

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

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

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