



Dear families,

It has been another busy and positive fortnight at Cranmere, with lots for our pupils, staff and families to celebrate. It is wonderful to see the children continuing to settle into the new school year so well and making the most of the opportunities available to them.

A particular well done goes to our Year 6 pupils, who took part in Bikeability this week. The children demonstrated excellent road awareness and cycling skills, while showing the responsibility and resilience we expect from our oldest pupils. Thank you also to the staff and Bikeability team for supporting the children throughout the sessions. Developing children's confidence and independence beyond the school gates is an important part of their preparation for secondary school and life beyond Cranmere.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our phonics workshops over the past fortnight. We hope that the sessions provided a useful insight into how we teach phonics at Cranmere and gave you some practical ideas for supporting your child's reading at home. We also welcomed Local Authority SEND advisers to school this week for a fantastic session with families. We really value the opportunity to work alongside our families and external professionals to strengthen our understanding of how best to support children with additional needs.

We are also delighted that our new Wellbeing Ambassadors have completed their training with EIKON. The children have been learning about wellbeing, how they can support others and the importance of looking after our own mental health. We look forward to seeing our ambassadors take on their new responsibilities and become positive role models for their peers across the school.

A letter has also been sent to families this week with information about our parent/teacher consultations, which will take place during the final week of this half term. Please take a moment to read the information carefully and book your appointment when the booking system opens Thursday, 1st October. These meetings provide an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress, celebrate their successes and consider how we can continue to support their learning and development.

There is plenty more to look forward to over the coming weeks. We are particularly looking forward to our Teddy Bears' Picnic this weekend and hope that many of you will be able to join us. We will also be holding engagement events relating to the School Street, with our first event on Wednesday 30th September at 5:00pm.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. It has been a very positive start to the year!

Kind regards,

Paul Gilbert

 Kindness  Respect  Curiosity  Resilience  Self-belief  Responsibility Cranmere Value Certificates have been awarded to:					
	w/c 14th Sept	w/c 21st Sept		w/c 14th Sept	w/c 21st Sept
Rec Red Pandas:	Mila	Benji			
Y1 Orangutans	Bradley	Mahnoor			
Y2 Hedgehogs:	Vinny	Amelia	Y2 Red Squirrels	Alfie	Niah
Y3 Bengal Tigers:	Jasveer	Mattie			
Y4 Lemurs:	Cara	Hadi	Y4 Puffins:	Breannah	Yuto
Y5 Sea Otters:	Grayson	Amelie	Y5 Manta Rays:	Riley	Robyn
Y6 Wildcats:	Cerys	Hannah	Y6 Pangolins:	Shafia	Avtar

Year 3 (Bengal Tigers) were our attendance winners last week with 100% attendance and only a few late marks. This week Sam Bear has been awarded to **Year 5 (Manta Rays)** with close to 100% attendance and a few late marks. Well done to you all



A Happy Birthday shout for the last two weeks ending 27th September, in date order, goes to:

Robyn (10,Manta Rays); Harvey (9,Puffins); Anders (7,Red Squirrels); Alex (11,Pangolins); Callum (10,Manta Rays); Reya (4,Indian Elephants); Lilia (5,Red Pandas); Franco (8,Bengal Tigers); Eleanor (7,Red Squirrels); Layla (9,Lemurs); Ahmad (10,Sea Otters); Myles (4,Indian Elephants) and Ana (8,Bengal Tigers).

Many Happy Returns of the day from all of us at Cranmere!

Assemblies: Last week— **Singing Assembly and Celebration Assembly**

This week— e-safety (staying safe online), Singing Assembly and Celebration Assembly

Reading volunteering

We are always looking for volunteers to come into school to listen to our children read. If you could commit to an hour a week, we would love to hear from you. We can arrange a DBS check through the office. You can give a preference of age group to work with, but please note that we cannot place you in your child's year group.

Attendance

On Wednesday 23rd September we sent out an email from Mr Gilbert about the importance of school attendance - please do ensure you have read it. There are details about how school attendance affects a child's learning, the importance of punctuality, how we celebrate our attendance successes and how school can support you with this.

Parent Consultations

Please note the dates of the forthcoming parent / teacher consultations:

- Tuesday 13th October 3:30pm – 6:30pm (all classes except Year 2 Hedgehogs)
- Thursday 15th October 9am – 11am (all classes)
- Thursday 15th October 3:30pm – 5pm (all classes)

The booking process will become available on Scopay from 7pm on Thursday 1st October.

School Photos

A reminder that the school photographers (Pret A Portrait) will be in next Wednesday 30th September taking individual and sibling photos. They will be doing all photos on that one day.

Please send your child to school in full uniform, looking super smart! If they have PE or swimming, they will have their photo taken before they do this, so they should wear uniform to school and bring PE kit with them to change into.

No Tuna!

Just a reminder that unfortunately our food supplier is currently not able to provide tuna to school, so tuna is off the menu as things stand. If you have ordered a tuna jacket potato or tuna roll for your child, please delete this order and select an alternative

Letters Home

Last week:

[Year 5 to Winchester Science Museum & School Street](#)
[Early Reading & Phonics workshops](#)
[Various Years—Meet the Teacher Slides](#)
[Author Visit Reminder](#)
[Year 3 - 6 families - Eligible For Free School Meals?](#)
[Year 6 Cycle Training](#)
[SEN Information Session - With Advisors From Surrey Council](#)
[Cranmere - Packing List For The Year 6 Residential](#)
[Cranmere - PGL Residential Consent Form](#)
[Cranmere - Y6 Residential Medicine](#)
[Packed Lunch Reminder - No Nuts](#)
[Eligibility For Pupil Premium](#)
[School Street](#)

This Week:

[Reception Phonics Workshop](#)
[Lunchbox Items Reminder](#)
[Year 3 to Rose Theatre](#)
[Free ESBNA Wellbeing & Engagement Event -Saturday 26th September](#)
[No Tuna On The Menu](#)
[Year 1 Phonics Workshop](#)
[All Families - School Attendance](#)
[Understanding SEND Support At Your School Session](#)
[Reception Phonics Workshop Resources](#)
[Inspection Of Surrey's SEND Local Area Partnership](#)
[Parent/Teacher Consultations In October](#)
[School Photographers - Wednesday 30th September](#)
[Flu Vaccinations In School - Thursday 19th November](#)



It's finally here our 1st first event of the year, the KS1 Teddy Bears' Picnic.

We look forward to seeing lots of our KS1 families and their teddies tomorrow, Saturday 26th September on the reception playground between 12.30-2.30pm. There will be lots of fun activities and even some pocket money stall.

Don't forget to bring a blanket and if you can a cake donation too.

Bulletin Board

New on the board this week are the details of Monica Harding's **Christmas Card Competition**. Also **PSD Funweeks** are running their popular holiday camps at Cranmere w/c 19th and 26th October for half term. There is also the details about a free **YMCA East Surrey 4-week parent carer online programme** which offers guidance to parents supporting their child's emotional wellbeing and mental health. For more details please go to <https://www.cranmereprimary.org.uk/Bulletin-Board/>

Autumn Term 2026	
Saturday 26 th September	Teddy Bears' Picnic Nursery to Year 2 12:30-2.30pm
Wednesday 30 th September	School photo day (individual and sibling photos)
Friday 2 nd October	Year 5 to Winchester Science Centre & Planetarium
Monday 5 th to 9 th October	Year 6 residential (PGL on Isle of Wight)
Thursday 8 th October	Year 3 to Rose Theatre in Kingston for Back to the Stone Age workshop (am)
Wednesday 14th October	Bigfoot Arts Black History Month workshops day
Mon 19 th Oct - Fri 30 th Oct	October half term holiday (2 weeks)
Mon 19th Oct – Thurs 22nd Oct	Funweeks half term activity camp 9-3pm
Mon 26th Oct – Thurs 29th Oct	Funweeks half term activity camp 9-3pm
Wednesday 4 th November	School tour for Reception families 2027 entry 9:30-10:30am
Wednesday 4 th November	School tour for Reception families 2027 entry 5:30-6:30pm
Wednesday 11 th November	School tour for Reception families 2027 entry 9:30-10:30am
Wednesday 11 th November	School tour for Reception families 2027 entry 5:30-6:30pm
Friday 13th November	Diabetes Awareness Day – wear something blue or a onesie
Friday 13 th November	Cranmere Friends Cranmere Arms Night
Thursday 19 th November	Flu vaccine (Reception – Y6), National Child Measurement Programme (Reception and Y6 only)
Wednesday 25 th November	Y3 Ancient Egypt Workshop
Friday 27 th November	Winter Wonderland 5-8pm
Wednesday 2 nd December	Y6 swimming (last lesson)
Wednesday 16 th December	Last day of term for Nursery children in Indian Elephants class (11:45am finish)
Thursday 17 th December	Last day of term for Nursery children in African Forest Elephants class and children doing 30 hours (12pm finish)
Friday 18 th December	Last day of term for Reception – Y6 (1:30pm finish)
Spring Term 2027	
Monday 4 th January	First Day of Term for children Reception – Year 6, and Nursery children in Indian Elephants class and doing 30 hours.
Wednesday 6 th January	First Day of Term for Nursery children in African Forest Elephants class.
Tuesday 12th January	Y6 to Junior Citizen event at Sandown Park Racecourse (am)
Thursday 4 th February	Year 5 Car Launch Challenge at Reeds School (one class)
Thursday 11 th February	Year 5 Car Launch Challenge at Reeds School (one class)
Mon 15 th Feb - Fri 19 th Feb	February half term holiday (1 week)
Thursday 4 th March	Mother's Day Gift Wrap
Tuesday 9 th March	Y6 visit to Imperial War Museum
Friday 12 th March	Cranmere Friends Quiz Night
Wednesday 24 th March	Last day of term for Nursery children in Indian Elephants class (11:45am finish)
Thursday 25 th March	Last Day of Term for Nursery children in African Forest Elephants class and children doing 30 hours (12pm finish) and for Reception – Y6 children (1:30pm finish).
Summer Term 2027	
Monday 12 th April	First Day of Term for children Reception – Year 6, and Nursery children in Indian Elephants class and doing 30 hours.
Wednesday 15 th April	First Day of Term for Nursery children in African Forest Elephants class.
Monday 3 rd May	Bank Holiday
Wed 26 th – Thurs 27 th May	Year 4 residential (1 night)
Mon 31 st May - Fri 4 th June	May half term holiday (1 week)
Monday 7 th June	Inset Day (staff only)
Tuesday 15th June	School Council to visit the Houses of Parliament
Thursday 17 th June	Father's Day Gift Wrap
Saturday 19 th June	Summer Fair
Tuesday 13 th July	Y1 to RHS Garden Wisley
Wednesday 21 st July	Last day of term for Nursery children in Indian Elephants class (11:45am finish)
Thursday 22 nd July	Last day of term for Nursery children in African Forest Elephants class and children doing 30 hours (3pm finish)
Monday 26 th July	Last day of term for Reception – Y6 (1:30pm finish)
Tuesday 27 th July	Inset Day (staff only)
Wednesday 28 th July	Inset Day (staff only)