



# CRANMORE INFANT SCHOOL

*we love to learn and together we grow*



NEWSLETTER

April 2019

Our value this half term is FAIRNESS

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had an enjoyable break and made the most of the lovely sunshine!



## Well done to our Gymnasts!

A huge well done to our Gymnastics team (Ava, Evie-Belle, Holly, Jessica, Josh, Lara, Miles, Miriam, Rimmi and Scarlett), on their successful participation in the County Final competition. They ranked 6<sup>th</sup> out of 14 schools, but more importantly, they were awarded the 'School Games Values award' for showing the school games values of Passion, Self-Belief, Respect, Honesty, Determination and Teamwork.

This was a very special, and well deserved achievement and we are incredibly proud of all the children! I would also like to thank Mrs Williams for all her hard work and enthusiasm in coaching the children, dedicating much of her own time towards this.

## Baby news!

We are delighted to share the good news that Mrs Freeman has had a baby girl, Sophie. They are both doing really well and I am sure you will join me in sending your congratulations and best wishes.



## Attendance

During assembly on Friday we will be presenting certificates and prizes to 83 children who achieved 100% attendance for the Spring Term. This is a fantastic achievement for which these children (and their parents) can feel rightly proud!

The 'Always there Bear' attendance last term.



was presented to the Squirrels class for the best

Below is a table reporting the attendance of each class for the Spring Term.

| CLASS       | % ATTENDANCE |
|-------------|--------------|
| Kingfishers | 95.07%       |
| Otters      | 92.66%       |
| Foxes       | 97.08%       |
| Hedgehogs   | 97.07%       |
| Deers       | 95.94%       |
| Rabbits     | 96.72%       |
| Squirrels   | 97.66%       |
| Robins      | 97.60%       |

In line with our Attendance Policy, we will soon be sending out Attendance letters as part of our commitment to working with you and your child in raising attendance. Attending school regularly and on time has a positive impact on learning, progress and therefore the best life chances for

pupils. Research shows that attendance and punctuality are the single most important factors in school success, so thank you again for your continued support in ensuring good attendance habits.

### School Uniform

In the hope that we haven't seen the last of the sunshine, children are able to wear their summer uniform. You can choose to wear the same as the Winter uniform or:

- Emerald green cardigan or sweatshirt; plain or with our school logo
- White polo shirt; plain or with our logo
- Yellow and white check dress or grey shorts
- White or grey socks
- Black shoes in a sensible style with flat heels



Hair bands and bobbles should be in school colours of yellow or green, and an appropriate size (small!). Extreme hairstyles and patterns shaved into hair are not permitted. Children should not wear ear-rings due to safety reasons, or nail polish.



Sun cream should be applied before school and can be reapplied by the children themselves at lunchtime if needed. All children will also need a named sun hat in school.



### Inconsiderate parking around schools

The sustainable travel team has asked if schools can help encourage parents not to park near schools using the following information.

If you drive your children to school, it's too easy to try to park as near as possible. However if everyone does the same it can cause major problems:

- Let's all work together to keep all our children safe outside school.



- Keep speed down near school.
- Please don't park or drop off children on school keep clear markings.
- We don't want to annoy our neighbours: please don't block their drives with your car.



Why not park further away from school and walk the rest of the way? It will reduce congestion, improve air quality and it's great exercise for children.

### Staff Training – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

Just a reminder that school will be closed on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Staff will be exploring 'character education' and working to fully integrate this in our teaching, to ensure children develop personal positive strengths, learn to be a good citizen and a successful person.



**Kids Club** will be open should you be requiring child care. Please contact the school office for more information.

Many thanks for your ongoing support.

Very best wishes,

Mrs Rebecca Ward  
Headteacher



### Dates for your Diary

#### Summer term

Monday 29 April

Thursday 2 May

Monday 6 May

Wednesday 8 May

Friday 10 May 2:00pm

Tuesday 14 May, 2:30pm

Thursday 16 May

w/b 20 May

Friday 24 May

Monday 3 June

Summer term starts,

SATs under way for Year 2

INSET: School closed for staff training

May Day Bank Holiday

Nursery visit to Ash End House Farm

Meeting- Blackwell Residential trip

NSPCC online safety workshop for parents

Empty Classroom Day

Walk to School Week

Finish for half-term holiday

Back to school after half term break

Tuesday 4 June, 9-10.00am

w/b Monday 10 June

Friday 14 June

Friday 14 June

Wednesday 19 June

Monday 24-Wednesday 26 June

Wednesday 26 June 9.15 am

Thursday 27 June, 9.15am

Tuesday 2 July

Wednesday 3 July

Thursday 4 July

Saturday 6 July

Friday 12 July

Tuesday 16 July

Wednesday 17 July, 3.15-5.00pm

Thursday 18 July, 2.00pm

Friday 19 July

School Nurse Drop-in

Y1 Phonics Screening Check

Father's Day Lunch – Year 1

Cranmore Marathon

Year 2 Tri-Golf Festival

Year 2 Residential trip to Blackwell Court

Nursery and Reception Sports (all welcome)

Years 1 and 2 Sports (all welcome)

Intra-Sports

Intra-Sports

Transition meeting FS1 to FS2

Summer Fair

Class Swap Day

Thank you Tea

Year 2 Leavers Party

Leavers' assembly (Year 2 parents welcome)

Children finish for summer holiday

## TERM/HOLIDAY DATES 2019/2020

### Autumn Term 2019

Starts: Monday 2 September 2019

Half Term: Monday 28 October 2019 to Friday 1 November 2019

Ends: Friday 20 December 2019

### Spring Term 2020

Starts: Monday 6 January 2020

Half Term: Monday 17 February 2020 to Friday 21 February 2020

Ends: Friday 3 April 2020

### Summer Term 2020

Starts: Monday 20 April 2020

Half Term: Monday 25 May 2020 to Friday 29 May 2020

Ends: Monday 20 July 2020

## INSET DATES

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Monday 4 May 2020 : May Day Bank Holiday