

# THE WEEKLY UPDATE

## WHO WE ARE

*We are a school rooted in its community where aspirational learning and opportunities transform the lives of our pupils.*

**Our Mission** is to transform lives and strengthen our communities to make the world a better place



Dear parents and carers

Before I summarise this week, I want to start by saying how amazing our 'A Night at the West End' performance was last week. I was **Proud** of all the pupils (over 80 across the Campus) who took part. It was a real treat and I am grateful to all the staff who made it happen.

We end this week on another high with staff and pupils dressed as a wonderful range of book characters to celebrate 'World Book Day'. Thank you for supporting your child(ren) with their outfits.

I also want to thank you for your continued support during the NEU strike action yesterday. The National Education Union are taking strike action for a fully funded, above-inflation pay rise for both school staff. The frustration is with the Government and not the school and you can find out more about their campaign here: <https://neu.org.uk/pay-strike-action-faq>.

This week we were #1 again for Sparx Reader homework completion nationally and top 1% for Sparx Maths homework completion internationally demonstrating how **Engaged** and **Ready** pupils are. Their continued completion of these and their other homework tasks will give them the best chances of success in the future.

A reminder that socks should be plain white, grey or black and not contain visible branding. Pupils who continue to wear visibly branded socks will be issued red card break/lunch detentions and they will be upscaled to Lesson Removal if continued. Please support us with this expectation and ensure your child(ren) are attending in the correct uniform.

We have finally had the chance to fully analyse your feedback from the parent/carer survey in January and the key findings are shared within. We welcome feedback and encourage you to continue to provide until the next survey.

Have a lovely weekend.

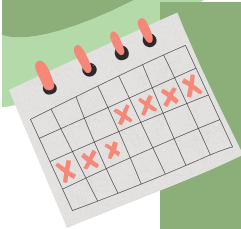
**Mr Stephen Farmer**  
**Head of Campus/Head of Secondary**

## WHAT'S NEWS THIS WEEK

Parent Survey Feedback - Car Park Access - MCAS Login - Nutrition Classes  
Science Club - Dates for the Diary - Awards & Rewards

Community : Learning : Opportunities  
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# DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Last Day of Term**  
Friday 31st March

**Back to School**  
Monday 17th April

## MY CHILD AT SCHOOL (MCAS)

We have now completed our roll out of parent access to MCAS and all parents will have received an email with the codes to access this new communication portal.

In order to streamline our communications, Xpressions is no longer being used so please make sure you are able to access your MCAS account.

If you have experienced any issues logging in, please raise these with

Reception@cranbrook.education urgently so that you do not miss any important communication

## ICE PACKS

Both Reception and Inclusion use Ice Packs all the time for bumps and bruises. However a large number of these don't get returned. Please can you have a look at home and ask your child to look in their bags to see if any of the packs have ended up there by mistake. If they have could they be returned to reception please!

## LOST PROPERTY

We currently have a number of bottles, pencils cases, coats, jumpers, hats, gloves etc which are unnamed. We would like to reunite them with their owners or donate to charity if not claimed by the end of term. Please email [pupilservices@cranbrook.education](mailto:pupilservices@cranbrook.education) if your child is missing something

## PARENT SURVEY FEEDBACK

We would like to thank everyone who participated in our January Parent and Carer Survey.

Your feedback provides us with a valuable insight into the things we are doing well and the things that we could improve from a parent perspective. Our job is to then ensure that your feedback to the Campus has an impact. We have analysed the results of the survey, and the key messages are as follows.

### Successes

1. My child is happy at this school
2. The school has high expectations for my child
3. My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school
4. The school gives my child the support they need to succeed
5. Feeling informed with regard to your child's behaviour at school

### Areas to further develop

1. Termly academic Reports - understanding how the reports work
2. Direct contact with staff
3. Sharing techniques on how to support learning and development at home

In response to your feedback on areas to improve, we are now working on the following:

- Loom videos to explain how our academic reports are created and how to interpret them
- Publishing more direct staff emails on the school website
- Running in person and online workshops on how to better support learning and development at home. Recording these and then also sharing.

We do hope that you find the information we have shared about the outcome of the survey, and the areas we are prioritising as a result of your feedback, helpful.

If you would like to talk to discuss anything further about this information, or indeed any ideas or thoughts that you have, please do get in touch.

## CAR PARK ACCESS

A reminder that our Car Park is not to be used during drop off or collection unless you have prior agreed access and **it should never be used by pedestrians to access the school site.**

You may have noticed that we have recently had new fencing installed and will shortly be activating the locked gates at the front of the site during school hours. This will mean that any visitors will need to call before being given access to the campus. Further information will follow regarding this.

## SCIENCE CLUB

### *Care for magical creatures*

Is there witchcraft and wizardry in the real world? You may think that magic and spells only exist in your favorite books and movies. But can we make magic in the real world?

Magical creatures are a standard part of Witch and Wizard life. No Witch or Wizard is complete without a snake, but snakes are in limited supply – and besides, they need to be magical! Students combined sucrose and baking powder with ethanol to create a dancing magic fire snake.



## NUTRITION GROUPS

Please see the below nutrition times and ingredients required for each group. You will have been notified via classcharts if your child is undertaking nutrition this term. If you require your or your child's classcharts code please email their tutor or the PE Department.

Nutrition Times (Next week is Week A)

7C1 - Week A Friday Period 1

7C2 - Week A Monday Period 3

7C3 - Week B Tuesday Period 4

7C4 - Week B Monday Period 2

8C1 - Week A Friday Period 2

8C2 - Week B Wednesday Period 1

8C3 - Week A Tuesday Period 5

9C1 - Week A Monday Period 2

9C2 - Week A Thursday Period 3

9C3 - Week A Friday Period 3

### **Lesson 1 - Pasta Salad**

150g pasta shapes

Choose 1 from the following:

Tin tuna, 2 slices cooked ham

Choose 2 from the following: 50g peas,

Small tin of sweetcorn, ½ cucumber, 2 tomatoes, 50g sun dried tomatoes

Choose your dressing: 3 tbsp

mayonnaise, 3 tbsp salad dressing

### **Lesson 2 - Homemade Salsa Sauce/Dip**

2 Tbsp Oil (School Provide)

½ tsp Paprika

½ tin of chopped tomatoes

½ Onion finely chopped

1 garlic clove finely chopped

50g Cheddar Cheese

1 tbsp Chopped coriander

## ONLINE ABUSE/INAPPROPRIATE MESSAGING REPORTING

There are increasing incidents of online abuse across messaging and social media apps such as WhatsApp, Instagram and Snapchat that occur when pupils are not in school.

Our advice when this occurs is always to report it to the police and the individual platform reporting methods. We have listed these links below

[Police](#)  
[WhatsApp](#)  
[Snapchat](#)  
[Instagram](#)  
[Facebook](#)



## ONLINE PUPIL STATEMENTS

With the QR code we have generated, pupils can now complete statements at home on a computer, tablet or smart phone so we don't need to ask them to complete them on arrival to school.

Link:

<https://forms.gle/Ry5eQyXq3BPYNWVF7>

### **Lesson 3 - 5 Bean Chilli**

0.5 tbsp oil (School provide)

frozen chopped onions

(the equivalent of 1 medium onion)

frozen chopped garlic

(the equivalent of 1 garlic clove)

1 tsp ground cumin

1 tsp smoked paprika

2 tsp chipotle chilli paste

1 tin tomatoes

1 tin black beans, drained

1 tin kidney beans, drained

100g frozen peas and corn

## HOUSE POINTS



79313 Total



78998 Total



78609 Total



69452 Total



## ATTENDANCE



90.88%



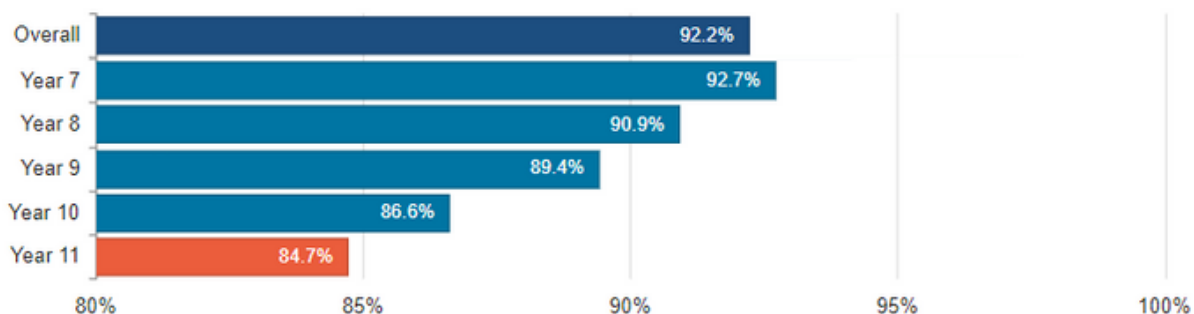
92.80%



93.51%



92.06%



## AWARDS AND REWARDS

Another huge congratulations to our pupils who obtained their House Point Awards in the past week.



**BRONZE**

Jack Grime  
Tyler Howell

+1 other student



**SILVER**

Erin Yeadon  
Lily Attwood  
Olly Robillard  
Jayden O'Neill

Fliss Wade  
Rosy Robillard  
Evie Bain  
Jack Begam

+ 1 other student



# COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

If you attend a community group that you feel may benefit other parents, please email the details to [reception@cranbrook.education](mailto:reception@cranbrook.education)

Cranbrook Town Council are recruiting

**Cranbrook  
Town Council**



## Ranger

Hours: Full time, 37 hours per week, including occasional weekend and evening work  
Salary: £24,948 to £26,845 per annum (representing spinal column points 13-17 in 2022-23 National Joint Council national salary award)  
Contract: Permanent  
Start date: As soon as possible

## Cleaner

Hours: Part-time and flexible, 18.5 hours per week (0.5 full-time equivalent) Exact working hours by mutual agreement; duties may include attendance at evening meetings and/or work outside normal office hours  
Salary: £20,258 - £21,189 pro-rata per annum (representing spinal column points 1-4 in 2022-23 National Joint Council national salary award)  
Contract: Permanent  
Start date: 1 April 2023

All the details, including how to apply, are available on our website at <https://www.cranbrooktowncouncil.gov.uk/jobs/>.

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KICKS**  
**Cranbrook Education Campus**  
**FREE Term Time  
Football Sessions**

A FREE fun football session for Boys and Girls aged 8-16 years  
To BOOK your place, please visit our website at [www.exetercct.org](http://www.exetercct.org)

**Tuesdays - 5pm - 6pm**  
Primary and Secondary Years

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