

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

We have avoided the snow and the forecast predicts drier weather for next week. Next week are the final planned NEU strike days and we thank you for your continued support with the disruption they have caused. We will be open again for Years 10 and 11 and I want to emphasise that attendance for pupils in these year groups is **compulsory**. There are only 7 school weeks left before GCSE exams start so it is vital that all pupils in Years 10 & 11 attend and **engage** on these days.

We have received some questions from pupils and parents/carers about our Uniform policy over the past couple of weeks. For clarity and to enable you to support all our pupils to be **ready**, our Uniform policy can be found here:

<https://www.cranbrookeducationcampus.org.uk/uniform>. Any pupil wearing a skirt or shorts must wear either tights **or** plain socks, not both. All shoes must be full leather style, polishable and black. Currently all pupils must wear their blazers and can choose to wear jumpers in addition to their blazers, however, we are reviewing this based on Pupil Parliament feedback and will consult on moving to Blazer **or** Jumper moving forward.

This Tuesday, our Primary and Secondary staff teams joined together to take part in CPD linked to the Rainbow Flag Award. We were **proud** of the engagement from all staff involved. To ensure our Campus celebrates diversity and promotes equality, we will be taking part in the year-long Rainbow Flag Award programme which focuses on the 6 key areas below. We will provide further information to you as we progress through the awards self-assessment and monitoring process.

Today is our internal Cycle 3 curriculum booklet deadline. Our expertly created booklets will then be proof-read by our community of volunteers to ensure there are no spelling or grammar errors before they are used with our pupils. We are very grateful for the **kindness** shown by these volunteers. If you are willing to join our team of volunteer proof-readers, please complete this form: <https://forms.office.com/r/PAqc4hQ3Mc>

Have a lovely weekend and stay **safe**.

Mr Stephen Farmer

Head of Campus/Secondary Headteacher

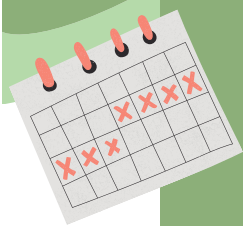
WHAT'S NEWS THIS WEEK

World Book Day - Pupils Leaving Site - MCAS Login - Nutrition Classes - Young Carer
Science Club - Dates for the Diary - Awards & Rewards

Community : Learning : Opportunities

#Crantastic





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 if your child is missing something

WORLD BOOK DAY 2023

Following our World Book Day celebrations, look who we found enjoying a quiet read in the Secondary Library. Thank you to all staff and students who really got into the spirit of World Book Day last week, showing lots of ingenuity and love for reading with their book themed costumes. We also ran a Manga drawing workshop and had a thoroughly enjoyable live reading event, where students and staff shared some of their favourite stories with each other.

There's still time for students to participate in other World Book Day activities such as our book swap and Design A Book Token competition. And we have a lot of exciting new reads available to loan in the library.

Don't forget, students can use their digital book token (sent to parents/carers via GroupCall) until the 26th March in all participating book sellers. Students can ask Miss Wooldridge for further details re. anything World Book Day related. Please [click here](#) to view the photographs. This will be updated as the photographs are shared.



PUPILS LEAVING SCHOOL

Any pupil wanting to leave the school for any reason (other than a pre-arranged medical appointment), must speak to a member of staff in Pupil Services who will be able to offer help or support and can contact home, if deemed necessary. Pupils should not be contacting home themselves. Their phones should be off and in their bags during the school day. If they do not follow this procedure, their absence will be unauthorised and will have a negative impact on their attendance record.

YOUNG CARER ASSEMBLY

In today's assembly, Secondary pupils had a reminder on what life is like for a young carer and also what a young carer does. This is an important opportunity to see if there are any who may not realise they do this incredible job. The assembly can be found here if you also want to take a look at what young caring involves and what support is offered. Assembly -

<https://www.loom.com/share/35d7fd0a6383448cb6826d68a46dbf61> YouTube video -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OBR-GYs-m0c&t=2s>

A NIGHT AT THE WEST END

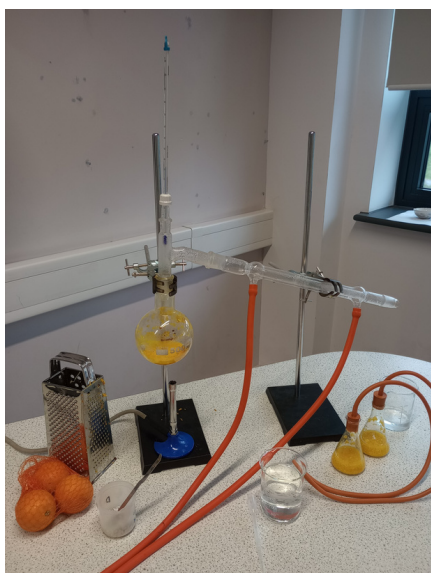
A video of the school production and promotional photos will be shared with parents next week. Thank you everyone who came along and supported such a wonderful experience

SCIENCE CLUB

Herbology:

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

Some of the ingredients that witches and wizards need are locked away deep inside plants. Students of magic will need to become experts at extracting them using mystical processes. The students used distillation to extract precious limonene from oranges, a fragrant and potent oil used in many elixirs!



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

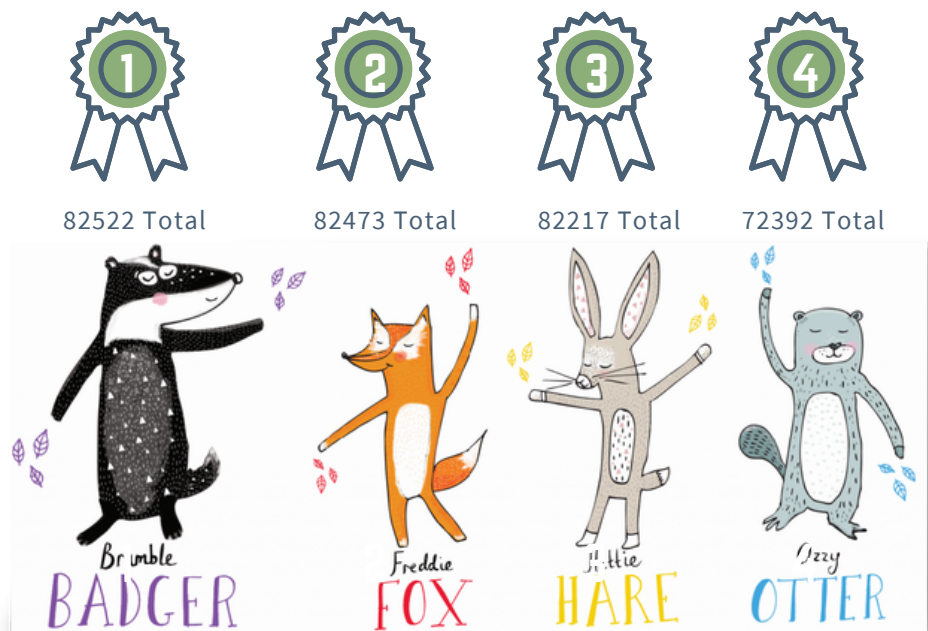
1 tin tomatoes

1 tin black beans, drained

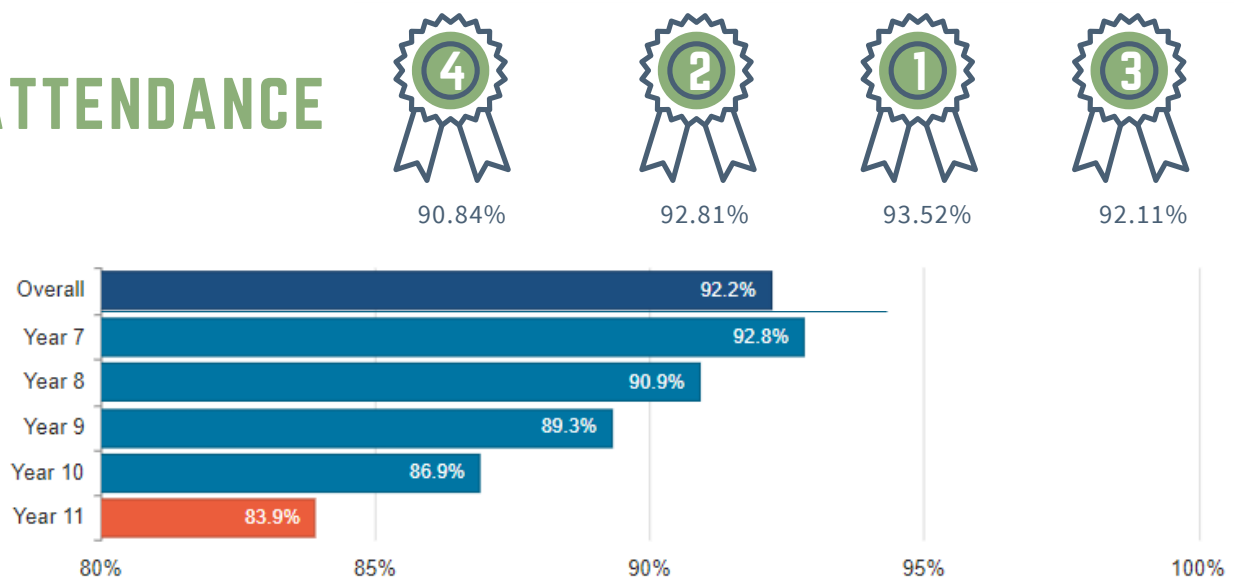
1 tin kidney beans, drained

100g frozen peas and corn

HOUSE POINTS



ATTENDANCE



AWARDS AND REWARDS

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



BRONZE

Victoria Campbell
Alfred-Tae Williams

+2 other students



SILVER

Isobel Layfield
Zoe Morrow
Finley Jarman
Abigail Mok

+ 5 other students