

# THE WEEKLY UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to those parents who came along on Tuesday evening to our parent forum on all things Special Needs . We had a good chat through the campus approach in primary to meeting children's needs , updates on services from Devon and those services newly available from the Ted Wragg Trust - see statement from the trust below:

*Special Educational Needs and Disability Strategy - 'We've been collaborating with other schools within the Ted Wragg Trust to embed a Trust wide SEND strategy that supports every child to succeed. We are already seeing a positive impact on speech and language outcomes for children within our school community and we are continuing to share, and learn from approaches in other schools through our SENDCo Network. The recent appointment of two speech and language therapists as part of our strategy means students within our family of schools are able to access these services sooner than elsewhere within our region.*

*If you'd like to find out more about Ted Wragg Trust SEND Strategy and how we are embedding this at Cranbrook Primary Phase please contact Jo Bond Cranbrook's primary Special Educational Needs coordinator.'*

A conclusion of the Parent Forum meeting was that it would be good for us to put on some 'expert' speakers such as Educational Psychologists, Speech and Language or Occupational Therapists. We felt this may encourage more parents who children with additional needs to come in, network and try to ease some of the stress that 'the system' can leave families with.

I thought following a chat with one of our Parent Governors, I'd update you on the succession planning we're working through in Primary leadership . Krisha Gandhi now has a desk in the Headteacher office with me. She will be at Cranbrook full time after Easter and we are very much planning together for next term and the Autumn term . If there are issues/ things you'd like improved, you don't need to wait until you feel you need to 'complain'. We're always really happy to have your comments and suggestions as we go . Both Ms Gandhi and I are really excited to continue with the staff team and you to continue to improve the school in all sorts of ways in the next term and beyond.

Thank you for all of your continued support of the school. I'd like to wish all of you a lovely Easter holiday , with some sunshine hopefully ! And keep reading children !!



**Hazel Fox**  
**Head of Primary**

## WHAT'S NEWS THIS WEEK

Read to Succeed - FSM Vouchers - Diversity Gallery - PTA Disco - Pupil Parliament

Dates for the Diary - MCAS Update - Year Updates - Awards & Rewards -

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## DATES FOR THE DIARY

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

**Back to School**  
Monday 17th April

### DIVERSITY GALLERY

Cranbrook is proud to be a culturally diverse school, did you know our pupils collectively speak 21 languages? We want to celebrate and champion this on our gallery wall. If you have any photos that celebrates a religion, belief or culture that you are from please email to [maddi.jenkins@cranbrook.education](mailto:maddi.jenkins@cranbrook.education) and we would love to start sharing some of this wonderful diversity. The pictures do not have to be personal photos of people, but could be of places or heritage sites. Anything taken by you or our pupils. Please also add a little explanation of where the photo is from and why is is culturally significant.



### READ TO SUCCEED

We had another exciting Read to Succeed assembly today where a child from each class won a book prize in our end of term draw.

We also had a number of children win badges for passing word milestones of 250,000, 500,000, 1,000,000 and even 5,000,000 words for the year. Keep up the great work and read lots over Easter!



### FREE SCHOOL MEAL VOUCHERS

Vouchers have been sent for the Easter Holidays and May half term. Please check your junk and spam folders if you have not received an email. Please email [freeschoolmeals-mailbox@devon.gov.uk](mailto:freeschoolmeals-mailbox@devon.gov.uk) if you are missing your vouchers.

### SCHOOL DONATIONS

We are looking for the following donations to support our new pupils and their families. If you are able to provide any of the below, please drop them in the collection container in the main entrance. Shoes, clothes, jackets, toys, baby pushchair & board games

### PUPIL PARLIAMENT

Our year 5 and 6 Pupil Parliament members enjoyed a trip to London on Wednesday to visit the Houses of Parliament. While there, the children were shown around Westminster Hall, the House of Commons and the House of Lords. The children learnt about the differences between the two houses and the Parliamentary 'Ping Pong' that takes place between them in order to pass laws that are eventually signed off by King Charles. After the tour, the children took part in a debate workshop where they made their case for and against the idea of Free Transport for all under 18's. The children impressed us all with their debating skills. After this, East Devon's local MP Simon Jupp payed us a visit and answered some thoughtful questions from our children. These questions included personal questions about his background and how he entered politics, questions about current issues such as MPs with second jobs, his thoughts on industrial strike action, and issues closer to home such as the development of Cranbrook's Town Centre and litter issues in the local area and country park. It was a long day starting at 7.45am in the morning and returning just after 9pm, but the children were a credit to the school throughout. A big thankyou to Diane Brown for organising the trip.



### 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.

### SUMMER DISCO

Our fabulous PTA are now planning the Summer Disco for children in Reception through to Year 6.

Tickets are only available to purchase on the SchoolMoney Shop for £2.50

For any questions, please email [PTA@cranbrook.education](mailto:PTA@cranbrook.education)



*It's Disco Time!*

*Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May*

**£2.50 a ticket-Purchased via school money.**

Reception, Year 1, Year 2 - 3.30 - 4.30

Years 3, 4, 5, 6 - 4.45 - 5.45

Tuck shop will be available, price list to follow.

Tickets are non-refundable.

## SPARX OF THE WEEK

*Week ending 31.03.23*

Sharratt-Max G

Dahl-Emma C

Murphy-Evie-Rose K

Pullman-Amelia G

Lewis-Charlotte F

Rowling-Isaac E

Rundell-Eddie C

Rauf-Harry B and Freya F

Blackman-Chloe G

Evans-Reu S

Wilson-Amy W

**CLASSES OF THE WEEK**

2/3 Dahl 100%



## **NURSERY**

In Carle Class this week we have been creating our Easter cards using marbles and paint to create our Easter eggs, then pencils to colour in our chicks. We have been exploring pasta and using pipe cleaners to thread the pasta on. We hope you all have a lovely Easter break and we look forward to seeing you in two weeks!

## **PRESCHOOL**

This week in Pre-School we have been having PE sessions where we were practising throwing beanbags into hoops. Our independent challenges included Easter crafts, painting a double butterfly and Easter maths- putting the correct amount out of eggs into the box. Children were using great scissor skills to make their Easter crafts. In our Phonics we have been learning the j and l sound. Children have been working hard blending the sounds together such as j-a-m jam and saying the initial sounds in words. In our Numberblocks we have been learning about doubling and children could confidently say double one is two, double two is four!

Our Makaton sign of the week is fast. Our Nursery Rhyme of the week is Spring Chicken. Have a wonderful Easter holiday, please share your adventures on Tapestry, we'd love to see.

## **RECEPTION**

This week in Reception we have been busy finishing off our Handa Surprise learning in Literacy. We have innovated the story as a class and created our own versions with the children's ideas. In Maths this week we have been exploring Halving objects and beginning to find out about odd and even numbers. We have really loved our Safari topic and cannot wait to extend our learning further when we visit the zoo at the beginning of next term. May we take this opportunity to wish all our Reception families a lovely Easter break.

## **YEAR ONE**

In Year 1 this week, the children have been busy creating an information page all about Cranbrook, they have talked about the type of buildings, the shops they can see and their favourite place in Cranbrook. In Geography, the children have created a new park for the community, even including a coffee stop for us tired adults! In D&T the children have finished creating their colourful moving vehicles. In Maths, the children have started to learn about division and how to share objects equally.



## YEAR TWO

Year 2 have been extremely busy this week with writing recounts in English, essays in Geography about 'our world, our food'. They also got the chance to make some flapjacks which they thoroughly enjoyed.

We are very proud of their attitudes and the work they have completed! Enjoy a well-earned rest.



## YEAR THREE

In Year 3 this week we have been finishing off various learning across all subjects. In Maths we have been learning about perimeter and getting the children to measure independently to help boost their understanding.

In English, we have had the best time writing a recount of a Disney character with a focus on a big dream at the end. We have focused on fronted adverbials and text layout whilst using the correct punctuation to make our writing the very best that it can be.

In DT, we were very excited to take a trip to the kitchens and make flapjacks! The children did everything from weighing, measuring and mixing all ingredients together. We even got the children to do all of the cleaning... who knew washing up liquid and a broom could be so fun!

We are hoping you all have a wonderful half term break and we look forward to welcoming the children back.



## YEAR FOUR

This week, Year 4 have been finishing their final write for English! All their writes are looking amazing after all their hard work and effort! In Maths, we are now looking at one hundredths and how to convert them into decimals. We will continue working with decimals after half term. In Science, we finished our unit on teeth and the digestive system. In DT, on Friday, we did some junk modelling to create a light! Thank you again to everyone that brought stuff in. Overall this term, Year 4 have worked really hard and have achieved a lot-including performing your assembly right at the start of the term! Enjoy your well-deserved holidays!

## **YEAR FIVE**

Year 5 have had a wonderful week in which the children researched, created and presented their own PowerPoints to their parents. Both Mr Ansell and Mr Sanders were so impressed with the children.

In Maths, the children have finished off their learning about adding and subtracting fractions and will now be moving on to multiplying and dividing fractions after Easter.

We have also finished off our geography topic of biomes, where the children were learning all about the impact that climate change is having on the UK and further afield.

We hope you all have a great Easter.

## **YEAR SIX**

This week, Evans and Wilson class have had the chance to continue working on their DT projects to make lampshades. All the students had a lot of fun constructing using recycled materials. In English, we have been focusing on key grammar skills that students will need to use in their upcoming SATS papers. We have practiced using determiners, coordinating conjunctions and adverbials of time. To finish the week, year 6 has been creating revision resources to revise these grammar skills at home.





## HOUSE POINTS



89198 Total



89974 Total



89094 Total



77687 Total



## ATTENDANCE



91.03%



92.95%



93.49%



92.35%



## AWARDS AND REWARDS

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



**SILVER**

Laveen Kay  
Rowan Powell  
Oliver Robson  
Jayden de Sousa Augusto  
Alice Zarzycka  
Ernest Toms

+8 other students



**GOLD**

Freddie Wilson  
Max Hale  
Willow Long  
Max Gander  
Ted Scott-Hake  
Darcie-Lou Shaddick  
Charlie Moxey

Connor Shean  
Finley Nicholson  
Autumn Moore  
Albert Creese  
Ava-Grace Baylis  
Bernie Matthews  
Oliver Conibere  
Bella Cartledge  
Seth Watts

+6 other students



**PLATINUM**

Mia Webb  
Charles Williams

+1 other student

# COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

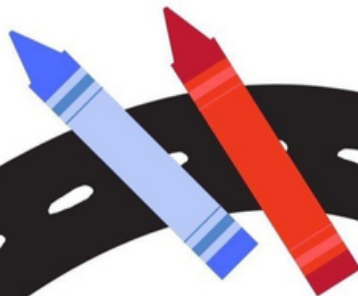
If you attend a community group that you feel may benefit other parents, please email the details to [reception@cranbrook.education](mailto:reception@cranbrook.education)

**PRIZES TO BE WON!**

## Safer roads poster competition

Help make Cranbrook's roads safer with your  
**20 IS PLENTY FOR CRANBROOK**  
A4 poster design

Hand in your entry  
to your school office  
or to Cafe@143 by  
Sunday 30 April

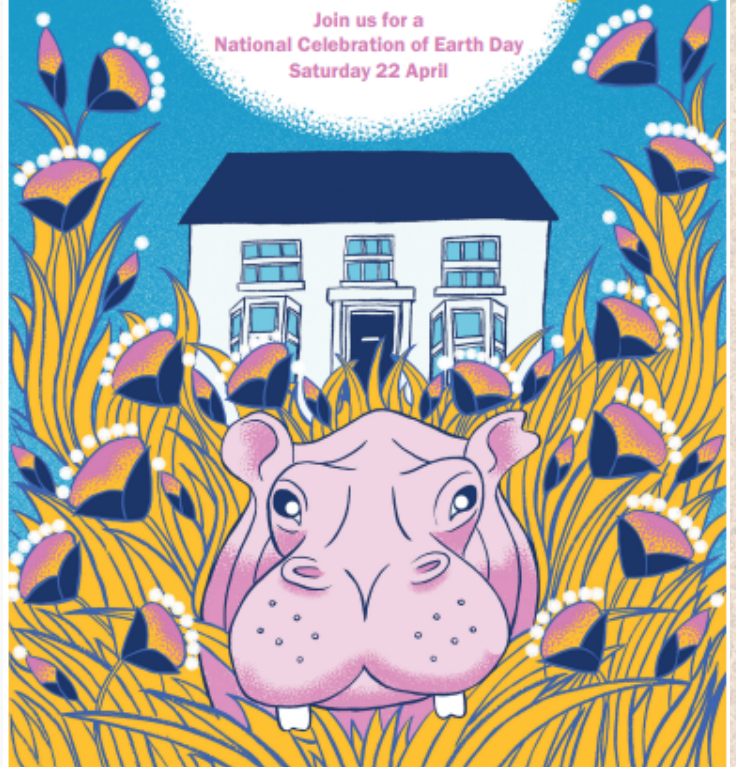


Need drawing supplies? Email  
[cranbrookroadsafety@gmail.com](mailto:cranbrookroadsafety@gmail.com)

Send electronic submissions to  
[cranbrookroadsafety@gmail.com](mailto:cranbrookroadsafety@gmail.com)  
Include your age: 4-7, 8-11, 12-16

## The Wild Escape

Join us for a  
National Celebration of Earth Day  
Saturday 22 April



Food, Live Music, Art Activities at Thelma Hulbert Gallery 4-7pm.  
Sculptor Alistair Lambert and Honiton Primary students unveil the great new Honiton Hippo!

Thelma Hulbert Gallery  
Elmfield House, Dowell St, Honiton, EX14 1LX  
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