

# THE WEEKLY UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week goes by and a big congratulations to Yr 2 this time who have finished their SATS assessments. We hope the children barely noticed ! - although lots of them had furrowed brows of determination and a tips of tongues slightly sticking out as they beavered away, they all came out smiling- as it should be.

## **Clarification on 'Voluntary Contributions' from Parents**

As a school we can only 'charge' parents for trips and events that happen outside the school day and are above and beyond the national curriculum the main example of this that occurs is the Year 6 Residential. So if parents pay children go if they don't then unfortunately children cannot go . We cost the residential so that parents are only paying the true cost for their own child. The money collected does not subsidise other children or teachers . Teachers do all the work after school hours voluntarily and any costs incurred for teachers is paid by the school.

For other trips during the day we ask for a voluntary contribution . The school pays for the coach and trip costs and we ask for contributions from parents for the cost of their child only. All children will go to the trip and school bears the cost of those who haven't paid. However if we don't collect enough money to make the trip viable there is a possibility trip would need to be cancelled as they are not part of the national curriculum.

Swimming is different in that it happens during the school day- and is part of the national curriculum for at least one year group. School asks for a voluntary contribution from parents, again covering the cost for only their own children. If parents don't pay then all the children still go and the school covers the cost.

This year we have worked hard to keep the prices down and the PTFA subsidised the cost of swimming by £10 per child . The contribution requested was less than other local schools. If parents don't contribute then children will still go swimming but the cost to school will obviously restrict other activities / resources we can offer . During the year we have worked hard to give good value to families , we haven't asked for payment for non uniform days , we've limited the charity money requested right back and used money from PTFA to subsidise costs for parents . We're also mindfully trying to make the most of local educational venues to not rack up expensive coach costs for trips.

I hope the above does allay some of the confusion there may have been and I thank very much all of you for contributing and supporting the school and the activities as much as you are able to. We will continue to offer all those fun memorable events that mean so much to children in as affordable way as possible .

Finally, it was such a joy, last Friday to watch the first ever primary girls football tournament with four schools taking part on our all weather pitch. Cranbrook put out two teams who very much did us proud . Thank you girls and on their behalf thank you to all of those of you who came along to support and the staff for giving up time to enable it to happen . A brilliant way to end the week .

Have a lovely weekend all ,  
best wishes

Hazel Fox and Krisha Gandhi





## DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Last Day of Term**  
Friday 26th May

**Primary Non-Pupil Day**  
Monday 5th June

**Last day of the Summer Term**  
Friday 21st July  
Primary finish at 12pm  
Nursery & Pre-school finish  
3.15pm  
(No after school club on this day)

### 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



**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.

### YELLOW LINE CONSULTATION

The much anticipated 'yellow lines trial' has been published by Devon County Council. Vince in Cranbrook has summarised the proposals and added maps to help visualise the proposals [here](#). Please spend 2 mins supporting the proposal to make the roads outside the Campus safer by selecting [ENV6030-139e Tillhouse Road here](#)

### LOCKDOWN PRACTICE

Next Tuesday afternoon, we will be holding our second lockdown practice of the year. During this practice, the lockdown alarm will sound which is a long continuous sound – this makes it easy to distinguish from the fire alarm. We will stop the alarm after 1 minute but this will give pupils chance to know the difference. During the lockdown practice, pupils and staff will be expected to stay in their classes and lock the doors. Senior leaders will walk the corridors and usher any children who are in the corridors or in the bathroom to the nearest office or classroom. Senior leaders will then go to each classroom to inform pupils and staff that the practice is over. Please do discuss this lockdown practice with your children so they are aware it is happening and they can prepare. Thank you for your support.

### SUNCREAM

Thank you to all those who have completed the Suncream Google form. If you have not completed this please can you do this as soon as possible. <https://forms.gle/otPYY2GwzWUsdsbK6> Our list is being updated daily.

Please be aware that the Suncream form only applies to the children in Carle, Rosen, Ahlberg, Milne and Donaldson classes. We are aware that this was not clearly stated on the original letter, we apologise for any confusion this may have caused.

If you are supplying your own suncream please make sure this is brought in daily for your child/ren or you can leave this at school if you would prefer.

## CINCO DE MAYO

Last Friday, children in Dahl Class, Year 3 and Year 4 took part in some Cinco de Mayo celebrations as part of an MFL enrichment day. They were visited by Ms Bell and some children from another of our trust schools, Marine Academy who came to each class and taught a song in Spanish, which our children then performed in assembly to the rest of the school. We were also lucky enough to have Alex Hawkins from secondary perform some Mexican Mariachi music on her trumpet in our assembly. Some of the children even had a go themselves. Another enjoyable moment for many of the children was creating and eating tacos in class, although this was a little messy!



## ART AND CRAFT CLUB

The children have been working hard on some magnificent faces made from clay!



## SPARX OF THE WEEK

*Week ending 12.05.23*

Sharratt - Charlie M

Dahl - Daisy L

Murphy - Paul A

Pullman - Sienna B-S

Lewis - Mia-Rose S

Rowling - Alejandro V F

Rundell - Amelila T-S

Rauf - Kia N

Blackman - Maria Jose C P

Evans - Christopher P

Wilson - Abigail P

**CLASS OF THE WEEK:**

**2 SHARRATT and 5 RAUF 97%**

## SPARX OF THE WEEK

*Week ending 19.05.23*

Sharratt - Anais I

Dahl - Patrycja D

Murphy - Evie-Rose K

Pullman - Noel J

Lewis - Charlotte F

Rowling - Ashlyn A

Rundell - Effie W

Rauf - Maria Salome C P

Blackman - Meissem M

Evans - Kara N

Wilson - Orgesa K

**CLASS OF THE WEEK: 6 WILSON**

**100%**



## NURSERY

In Carle Class this week our rhyme of the week has been 'Spring Song', the children have created some beautiful flower pictures using flower shapes, paints and talking about the colours they see! They have also created lovely colouring in pictures of flowers for our display.

Please can we have all sunflower measurements in by the end of Friday 19th May so we can announce our winner next week, we are very excited to see how tall they have grown!

Please can you make sure you pack your child with a labelled hat and drinks bottle please as we like to go outside in this lovely weather!



## PRESCHOOL

This week in Pre-School we have been completing our independent challenges: using blocks to paint a vehicle of the children's choice, talking about the objects and places in our story The Train Ride, singing 10 Fat Sausages Sizzling in a Pan using the props. On Monday and Thursday we were really lucky to have a visit about Rail Safety, children learned how to keep safe and all children were provided with an activity pack. Thank you so much Great Western Railway for keeping our families safe. In our Numberblocks children have been learning about subtracting two from a number. In our Phonics we have been learning the qu sound and blending words that have qu, qu-i-ck, qu-ee-n and qu-a-ck. Our Nursery Rhyme of the week was Runaway Train poem. Our Makaton Sign of the Week was bubbles. We have been enjoying our time in the garden- please ensure you have completed the google form regarding suncream and using a generic school one. Thanks in advance for this.



## RECEPTION

This week in Reception, we have been developing our understanding of teen numbers in Maths using the Numberblocks to help us. We have been exploring how teen numbers are made using tens and ones. In Literacy, we have been learning how to build sentences and orally rehearse them before writing them down. The children are working on writing sentences independently using finger spaces, capital letters and full stops. We have enjoyed the sunshine in our outdoor area and the children have particularly enjoyed using the herbs grown in our allotment to cook up their mud creations!

## YEAR ONE

This week, Year 1s have explored numbers to 100. Children have looked at patterns on a number square and split numbers into their tens and ones. In English, the children have followed instructions and had a go at planting seeds in the sunshine. We have learnt about verbs and how they are used in instructions. In History, the children have compared modern Olympics to the Olympics in 1936! In Science, we explored sound. We listened to different musical instruments and using our British Value (democracy) voted for our class favourite!



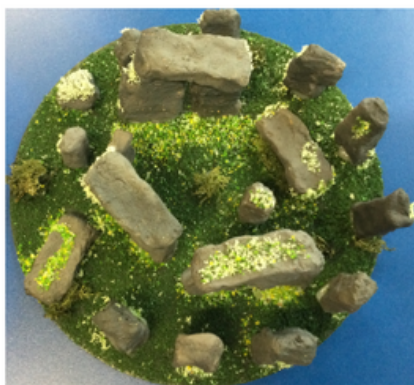
## YEAR TWO

All the children have been working extremely hard and we are very proud of each and every one of them!

It has been very busy with fun music lessons, creative art sessions and a variety of tests. They have all demonstrated our campus PERKS!

It has been lovely to see all the children's drawings linked to our learning about prehistoric Britain.

Photo: Evelyn has created an amazing model of Stonehenge.



We are looking forward to our school trip to Kents Cavern next week.

### **Reminder of dates:**

Dahl will be going on Wednesday 24th May

Sharratt and Murphy class will be going on Thursday 25th May.



### **YEAR THREE**

In Year 3 this week have have started looking at the invention of the Rubiks cube whilst comparing this to the invention of Braille and the Xbox Kinect! The children have really enjoyed finding out about these moments in history whilst also finding out fun facts. Did you know that the Rubiks cube was originally called the magic cube? We have enjoyed writing our own timelines and we are very much looking forward to next week where we look at the invention of the bicycle, telephone and watch! We are beginning to learn about time in Maths and would encourage children to wear a wrist watch to support their learning.

### **YEAR FOUR**

This week, Year 4 have created their hot or cold coloured background for their final Viking piece. The children used their knowledge of mixing colours to create purples, greens and oranges that they blended into their backgrounds. In Spanish, the children learnt about how a verb ending changes depending on whether the pronoun is 'I' or 'You'. In English, we have started our new book called 'Book of Bones: 10 Record-Breaking Animals'. By the end of the term, the children will write their own fact file about their chosen animal.

### **YEAR FIVE**

Year 5 have been working really hard again this week completing their end of unit check in Maths, showing off their knowledge of decimals and percentages. In English the children have been learning about a new text called 'Chitty, Chitty Bang Bang and the race against time' to which they have been looking at the text and answering questions.

We have also been swimming again and the children's water confidence is amazing and the swimming teachers have been really impressed with the children's learning and behaviour.

In Art the children have started to draw an image of Exeter based on David Hockney's style of art. We will post photos when these are completed.

### **YEAR SIX**

In Year 6 this week, we have been focused on our writing now that our SATs test are complete. We are aiming to complete a short story from the perspective of the main character Zoe in Floodland before the end of this term. Students have enjoyed creating fantastic expanded noun phrases to describe the ocean. In Maths, we have begun using compasses to draw circles and to continue our learning about circumference, diameter and radius. Our work on David Hockney inspired landscapes continued in art; Year 6 used a combination of oil pastels and watercolours to achieve amazingly colourful effects. Also this week, our students were invited to attend the careers fair alongside secondary CEC students. There were many interesting stalls to visit that gave information about a wide variety of careers. Students enjoyed talking to our visitors and exploring opportunities for the future.



# AWARDS AND REWARDS

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



## SILVER

Noah Fowler  
Emily David  
Helena Carter  
Olivier Krawczyk  
Benjamin Liptak  
Theodore Jones  
Mariana Pereira de Araujo  
+3 other students



## GOLD

Gwen Verbinen	Mia Bourne	Charlie Boden-Hammond
Oliver Watts	Isaiah Morris	Kyle Saxton
Louie Baitup-Squires	Freddie Newcombe	Evie-Rose King
Penny Smith	Charlie Corrick	Oliver Ashley
Peggy Chapman	Dexter Corrick	Mason Tarr
Finley Curtis	Summer Smith	Bobby Tregale
Dylan Payne	Nathaniel Enyiazu	Ellis Powell
Kara Needs	Natalia Dabrowska	Tia Jury
Sienna Morgan	Poppy Osborne	Harry Hayden
Edwin Hewines	Sophie Wilson	Amelia Pospiech
Leo Silcock	Chloe Rostron	Charlotte Frood
Thomas Smith	Amelia Pospiech	+ 6 other students



## PLATINUM

Christopher Partridge  
Brooke Taylor  
Hallie Rodrigues  
Harry Smith  
Daisy Langdon  
+5 other student

## HOUSE POINTS



101915 Total



103746 Total



102396 Total



88538 Total



## ATTENDANCE



91.23%



93.49%



93.62%



92.54%

