15th September 2023

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 CEC families

Today is the end of Week 1 of our first 12-week learning cycle, and both staff and pupils are fully back in the flow of things. I am **proud** of all our pupils; however, I am especially **proud** of our PERKY pupils this week who have been nominated by their tutors, teachers, and Heads of Year for their exceptional demonstrations of our **PERKS** (Proud, Engaged, Ready, Kind, Safe) of being **#Crantastic**. Please read our weekly updates by <u>clicking here</u> for more information regarding this.

On Monday, we are excited to launch our annual families survey so we can hear your feedback on what is going well at the Campus and what we can do to be even better at improving family engagement. The survey should take no longer than 15 minutes and must be completed in one sitting. A separate MCAS communication will be sent out with our unique CEC link. We are aiming for 100% **engagement** so please do complete this survey to help us be the best school possible.

Now we are back in the swing of things, please support your child(ren) to be **ready** by completing their online homework tasks which have been set (Bedrock, LanguageNut, Sparx Maths, Spark Reader and Spark Science). Our knowledge organisers have now arrived and will be given out on Monday so the full homework schedule can be implemented. Research shows that 1 hour of effective homework/independent study can improve pupils' attainment by +5 months. Homework club is in operation between 15:00-16:00 in the library. Please support your child(ren) to form good habits with homework completion.

There have been many examples of **kindness** this week, however, one that stands out is how **kind** a large group of pupils were when approaching the end of our service road at the end of the day on Wednesday. Our pupils noticed a group of parents/carers arriving for Primary pick up with their infant children, and all stopped to make way for them. However, we have also been made aware of a small minority of pupils making poor choices and being unkind to others on the way home from the Campus. Any incidents that are reported to us will be followed up and actioned.

Finally, please ensure that your child(ren) attend with a bottle that they can refill with water to ensure they are **safe** and hydrated throughout the day, especially as the temperature remains higher than average for this time of year.

Stay **safe** and take care.

Mr Stephen Farmer Head of Campus



SECONDARY OPEN EVENING 26TH SEPTEMBER



OPEN EVENING

For anyone with younger families or friends in Primary we will be holding our annual Open Evening event in September for pupils wishing to join us in Year 7. Please visit

https://www.cranbrook.education/ openevening to register an interest

CAR PARK ACCESS

We would like to remind our families that our car park not available for use. There is no pedestrian access or walkways through the car park. Blue Badge holders can have access to the limited spaces available but please bring your Blue Badge to the main reception to be registered. Please remember that the car park is closed to moving traffic at key times of the day. A 5mph speed limit that applies to all users. A copy of the guidelines can be found by clicking the link below https://www.cranbrook.education/

YEAR 7 'SETTLING IN' MEETINGS

We are pleased to offer parents and carers of our new year 7 pupils an opportunity to meet your child's tutor in person if you would find this helpful. 6 min slots for Thursday 5th October between 3:30pm and 7pm are now available to book on MCAS. Please click on Parents Evening in the left hand menu to book your slot. Bookings are live from 3pm today.

These settling in meetings are entirely optional, but offer you a chance to meet your child's tutor on a 1:1 basis and discuss any queries or concerns you may have as they settle into secondary school here at CEC. Please note this event is face to face and will take place in the school atrium (downstairs). Please arrive at reception just before your booked time.

As Head of Year for Year 7, Mrs Thomas will also be available to chat to parents. We look forward to seeing those of you who wish to book a slot.

LOST PROPERTY

We already have a lot of unnamed property being handed into Pupil Services daily. Please make sure your childs name is on all belongings brought into school.

If you have lost something, please speak to the class teacher in the first instance, or email reception@cranbrook.education including your childs name and a full description of the item and we will try to reunite you.

GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIP

Year 11 Geographers completed their first field trip of the year to Dawlish Warren last Friday, assessing the effectiveness of the sea defences.



BREAKFAST CLUB

Primary and Secondary: Breakfast club is open every day with Miss Cartwright from 8.00-8.20am in the atrium. All pupils are welcome to enjoy some cereals, toast, juice, yoghurts and fruit.

CRANBROOK TOWN CENTRE - CONSULTATION - SOUNDING BOARD

The purpose of the Sounding Board is to work with Ash Futures on designing and delivering the community engagement process on Cranbrook Town Centre. We are looking for local people who reflect different interests and needs in the community.

It will involve a small number of meetings (maximum 4 in total) in October and November to discuss ideas for the consultation. We already know in general terms what we will do, but would like the group to help plan the events and communication methods, and bring in local knowledge and ideas. In addition to meeting, we will establish some form of online group (eg WhatsApp) for the duration of consultation, to allow group discussion outside the meetings.

The Sounding Board is about creating and running the best engagement process. Everyone in this group can also have their say once this process is in place.

If you would like to find out more, feel free to contact me by email- gerardcouper@gmail.com or phone on 07866 361111

CAREERS CHATBOT

This term we are trialling a careers chatbot in school called CiCi. This platform links you up to live and local jobs and careers information. It can even support with what types of careers you may be interested in and how to apply/CV writing. This is also open to any parents who may also want to look into different career options or even what jobs are available locally at the moment. We will only have CiCi chatbot until December, and if it appears to be helpful for our community we may continue to use it. Please see the attached flyer for a QR code to access. Please encourage your children to access this at home and you can look together at the job opportunities we have here in Devon. As this is a test site, if there are any bugs or issues in what you are looking at please do let Maddi Jenkins know so she can forward on to the company. Happy job hunting!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Secondary Open Evening Tuesday 26th September

Year 7 Meet the Tutor 5th October

Just One Tree Day Friday 13th October

DOLCE MENU

Dolce have now taken over the catering contracts at Cranbrook Education Campus. Our Primary families are asked to order their meals daily, and our Secondary students are able to select from the same menu with healthy snacks and options available during morning break.

To view the menu, click the link helow

https://www.cranbrook.education/i

Please make sure to top up your childs account through MCAS.

Calling all students!

Have you tried CiCi the careers chat bot?



Scan the QR code or visit: https://bot.careerchat.uk/s/cranbrookeducation

Features include:

- → Engaging activities for jobs discovery
- → Courses, T Levels & Apprenticeships
 → Job information and vacancies
- → Career insights
- → Decision making
- → Volunteering
 → CV Support
- → Self-employment
 → LICAS & evam results





PERKY PEOPLE

Proud Engaged Ready Kind Safe

We celebrate a selection of pupils who have gone above and beyond and have been recognised by their Tutor's for their positive contribution to our Campus Community.



Year 7

Sienna Morgan - kind and helpful and putting others first. Beau Elcoate - very engaged with learning. Abigail Phillips - super kind and helpful. Charlie Hall - engaged and enthusiastic about everything.

Year 8

Riley Connett - Always proud of himself, our campus and his learning.

Caitlin-Jo Sadler - Showing engagement with all aspects of campus life.

Toby Mills - Turning up to school on time, with full equipment in the perfect uniform.

Kian Ashley - Showing kindness to others in his tutor group.

Bertie Weeks - Safe around campus at all times.

Year 9

Harmony Joy - For making a great start to the year
Summer Thompson - For getting involved in lessons each day this week
Alfred-Tae Williams - For being ready to start the day positively since the start of term
Kiki Kurilec - For being really kind and helpful
Line Najah - For being safe around the campus at all times

Year 10

Alfie Basely: A great start to the term through displaying an excellent attitude and taking pride in his uniform and learning.

Seanna Sunny: Always engaged in every lesson and showing willingness to learn new skills and content.

Esme Davies: Always arrives punctually and ready to learn with all her equipment out Erin Bailey has shown kindness to other students by being a very positive influence at the start of the term

William Andrews acted safely and positively in these first few weeks of term!

Year 11

Dan Faulkner: Excellent start to term and has come back in September with an excellent attitude.

Julia Szczecina: Always engaged in morning mastery.

Hamish Stieller: Consistently has all of his equipment and uniform.

Evie Bain: Always greeting staff in a friendly and kind way.

William Rutter: Being safe on the Geography trip and being the navigator and getting us

home safely

More fantastic examples of PERKY PEOPLE from this amazing PERKY year group!

HOUSE POINTS



ATTENDANCE







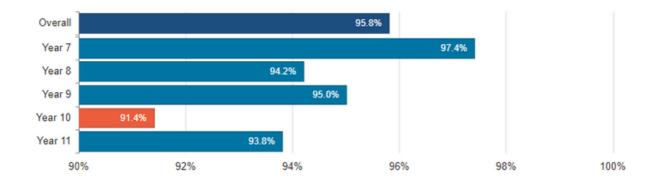


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LATEST VACANCIES

SCIENCE TECHNICIAN
TEACHING ASSISTANT - SECONDARY PHASE
TEACHING ASSISTANT
EAL / REFUGEE CO-ORDINATOR
FUSION CLEANING STAFF (2 VACANCIES)

For more information or to make an application, please visit cranbrook.education/vacancies

If you are interested in working for us, but there are no suitable vacancies for you at this time, we would still love to hear from you. Please drop your CV in to our talent bank so that we have your details.

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