

# 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

I hope this newsletter finds you well on what has been a very wet and windy day. I would like to start by saying THANK YOU for your support with our 'Just One Tree' (<https://www.justonetree.life/>) day today and your generous donations to support this worthwhile charity. As of 9am this morning, we have raised over £300. If you would still like to donate, you can do so on MCAS (Donations under Products)

Last night, Krisha and I attended the Ted Wragg Awards along with all our CEC nominations to celebrate 10 Years of Ted (<https://www.tedwraggtrust.co.uk/ted-wragg-awards>). All our nominations (listed below) are our CEC winners, and we are both grateful to them and **proud** of them for their contributions to our wonderful school community.

- Student of the year - Annabel Davies
- Teacher of the Year – Miss Seantelle Green
- Co-professional of the Year – Mrs Jemima Scott-Hake
- **Student teamwork – Lionesses**
- Student community leadership - Anisa Braha
- Unsung Hero of the Year – Mrs Hayley Salter and Mrs Gillian Smith
- **Strengthening communities – EX5 Alive Community Hub (Aynsley Jones)**

Our fantastic CEC Lionesses (Brook T, Lacey L, Sienna M, Willow L, Maisie K, and Amelia P) won the overall Student Teamwork Award and we also won the Strengthening Communities Award for our EX5 Alive Community Hub which is managed by Aynsley Jones. I am sure you will join us in celebrating this amazing achievement. During the event, we were treated to 4 wonderful performances from the inaugural Ted Wragg student choir which included Molly W, Senna S, Grazia M, Dylan H, Joshua B, Jaxon S, Samuel S, Milly W, along with Mrs Alex Hawking and Mrs Liz Partridge. The entire choir represented our Trust value of Ambition perfectly.

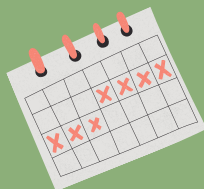
It has been another busy week for visitors to the Campus. Yesterday, we were joined by four Trustees and two CEO's from other education Trusts (Richard Gill - CEO of the Arthur Terry Learning Partnership and Tracey Cleverley - CEO at Learning Academy Partnership) as part of our Trust Education Scrutiny Panel. Krisha and I took our guests on a tour of the whole Campus as part of the process and along with families who also visited on Tuesday and Thursday morning for our Year 6 open morning tours, they fed back on how calm the whole Campus is, how warm the interactions are between staff and pupils and how consistent our teaching habits were across the entire Campus. This feedback from external visitors highlights how **ready, engaged** and **kind** our pupils and staff are every day and that our pupils are accessing a consistent **learning** focused environment which we are confident will lead to them achieving excellent outcomes.

The weather is predicted to improve this evening, so I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and stay **safe**.

**Mr Stephen Farmer**  
**Head of Campus**



# DATES FOR THE DIARY



**Tempest Photos**  
Thursday 19th October

**Year 11 Information Evening**  
Tuesday 17th October 6-7pm

**Last day of Term**  
Friday 20th October

**Secondary Pupil return**  
Monday 6th November  
(Primary pupils return Thursday  
2nd November)

**Family photos**  
Monday 13th November from  
3.15pm

## Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October Pumpkin Competition

- Prizes for the best Pumpkins
- Send a picture of your Pumpkin to [socialmedia@cranbrook.education](mailto:socialmedia@cranbrook.education)
- See facebook page for more details

## £1 Donation

Payable via MCAS

Raising funds for the PTA

### DO NOT CLIMB ON ROOFS

There have been incidents recently when young people were seen climbing roofs of buildings and structures in Cranbrook which exposes them to risks of serious injuries or even death. Some of the roofs which young people were seen on are not weight-bearing. Please think twice before you choose an activity with your mates, and please can parents supervise their children.

### JOIN A NEW SPARX PROJECT FOR PARENTS

There is still time to get involved in this Sparx project to find parents from the Cranbrook community that would like to be more involved in the school to enhance students' education. You do not need any qualifications or work experience, and Sparx will provide you with all the training you need throughout the project.

- Make a difference AND get paid £20 per hour.
- Get involved in classroom lessons at Cranbrook.
- Flexible hours to suit you.
- No teaching experience or qualifications needed.

[Click here to find out more and register interest](#)  
(deadline is 15th Oct 2023)



### SHOW US YOUR PUMPKINS COMPETITION

Anyone who has lived in Cranbrook for a while will remember our famous Pumpkin Parade. We're hoping to bring it back...kind of!

Send a picture of your pumpkin to [socialmedia@cranbrook.education](mailto:socialmedia@cranbrook.education) on 31st October 2023 and we will showcase them on CECs Facebook page and collect votes until Sunday 5th November. Voting will also take place in school and the winners will be announced w/c 6th November.

- One entry per child.
- Payment to be made via MCAS (Raising funds for the CEC PTA)
- Please include child's name and class in the body of the email only. Photos should be anonymous.
- Any questions, please email [socialmedia@cranbrook.education](mailto:socialmedia@cranbrook.education)

Our #crantastic pupils had the performance of the TedWragg choir tonight and it was amazing! Well done to our brilliant students who not only performed to a high standard but represented Cranbrook by being ready and kind during the evening. Well done!

Read more about the awards over the next few pages.



#### PTA

Our PTA have been busy this week continuing to plan the Christmas Fair and celebrating both TA/Business Support and Teacher Appreciation Day. Each member of staff received a goodie bag including essentials to get through the day, and a little reminder that what they do that means so much to so many! Thank you to our wonderfully supportive PTA for everything you do!

If you would like to get involved, have donations for or would like a stall at our Christmas Fair, please contact [PTA@cranbrook.education](mailto:PTA@cranbrook.education)



#### LATEST VACANCIES

##### TEACHING ASSISTANT PRIMARY PHASE

For more information or to make an application, please visit

[cranbrook.education/vacancies](https://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.

[cranbrook.education/vacancies](https://cranbrook.education/vacancies)

**Cranbrook  
Town Council**



#### CRANBROOK TOWN COUNCIL IS RECRUITING – HOUSEKEEPER POSITION

Cranbrook Town Council is looking for a new housekeeper to join their small team at the Younghayes Centre.

If you're looking for flexible part-time work delivering cleaning services across the Council's properties and ensuring all property is well managed and maintained, then this role is for you.

For further details, including how to apply, please visit the Council's website at <https://www.cranbrooktowncouncil.gov.uk/jobs/>.

## YEAR 10 GCSE ART

students have created some beautiful tonal drawings recently. They've demonstrated excellent understanding of how light affects an image.

Follow for more on Instagram @artatcec

Artists: Lucia Serrano De Webber, Evie Bowker, Zeal Brozyna and Oakley Lang



## 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.

## SECONDARY CLUBS

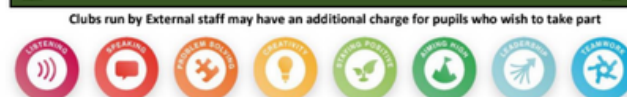
As part of the normal school day, we offer a selection of clubs and activities at break, lunch and after school. Most of these are free and are run by our Secondary Staff, giving everyone the opportunity to take part in a wide range of different activities. Pupils are reminded of these clubs in their Tutor time briefings three times a week. You can find our current In-School Club timetable by visiting our [website here](#)

CEC Extra-Curricular Programme 2023/24 - Secondary Phase - Cycle 1



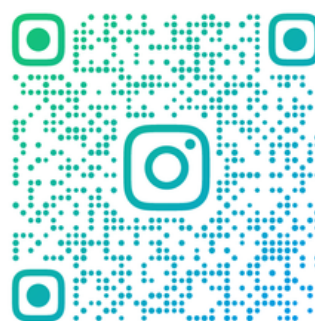
Day	Time	Activity	Skills Builder	Location	Staff
All Days	8am - 8:30am	Breakfast Club*		S073	Pupil Support
All Days	3pm - 4pm	Homework Club*		Library	AZ
Mon/Tue Break/Lunch		Maths HW Support		Maths	Maths
Mon Break		Language/Duolingo HW		French	ACP/OGR
Thur Break		Science HW support/revision		S218	SEA
Thur Lunch		Sports Studies support/revision		S203	SWB
Mon	LUNCH	Choir*		S237	AEH/MSJ
		DofE training (Year 9)		S243	CEC OUTDOOR ED
	3pm - 4pm	KS4 Football (Week A)		Sports Hall	SWB
		Volleyball (Week B)		Sports Hall	SWB
Tue	BREAK	Team Kodomo*		Library	RKP
		Rainbow (LGBTQIA+)		S147	OGR
	LUNCH	Girls Football*		Sports Hall	CEJ
		Drama		Main Hall	MSJ
Wed		Chess*		S229	MDM
	BREAK	Musical Theatre		S237	BXB
	LUNCH	Language Leaders*		S172	ACP
		Netball		Sports Hall	CEJ
Thu	3pm - 4pm	KS3 Science*		S206	RMJ
	3:15pm - 4:15pm	KS3 Boys Football*		Sports Hall	External
	BREAK	German*		S172	ACP
		Knitting*		Library	HW
Fri		Rock Group*		S237	AEH
	LUNCH	Warhammer*		S147	OGR
	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Basketball*		Sports Hall	External
	LUNCH	Book Club (Year 7)		Library	HW
	3pm - 4pm	Bullet Journalism*		S229	MDM
		Soul Band*		S237	AEH

Clubs with a [ ] marked next to them could count for a Section of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award



## PE @ CEC

For all information regarding expectations, assessments and updates from the PE department, please follow PE @ CEC instagram page



@PE.AT.CEC

### **IT'S ONLY ONE TREE?**

A few weeks ago, one the most photographed tree in the world was unlawfully felled. The Sycamore Gap was planted in the 1800s and was an iconic feature that stood tall along Hadrian's wall in Northumberland. It featured in Hollywood films, held proposals under its branches and was the final resting place of a Grandmothers ashes. One tree inspired so many. Every tree has the same potential.



Unfortunately, this potential has been cut short in our Country Park and around the town as trees have been snapped or damaged frequently. Even the removal of branches can cause significant damage to a tree if done incorrectly.



### **What's the difference between our young trees and the Sycamore Gap?**

There is no difference.

Our Trees are an essential part of our town, some of which were the first residents of Cranbrook. They were here long before the town and will hopefully be here long after. Our trees create habitats for our wildlife, they support our towns biodiversity, provide a visual benefit and sound barrier throughout our streets. Whilst our young trees may not be as big or as iconic, they hold the potential to inspire and benefit our community in the future just like the Sycamore Gap has done for thousands. If only we give them the opportunity to.

The reckless vandalism towards our trees needs to be highlighted, discussed, and removed. Please have a discussion at your dinner table about the importance of our trees and the need to respect them. If you do see any vandalism as always report it to 101. Then to the Town Council with your crime reference number.

# 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

Mia Bourne for always being positive and READY for the day

Casper NG for being KIND and supportive towards others

Robyn Holman - for being KIND and helping people feel at ease.

Ankela Braha for being always ENGAGED, PROUD of her work and KIND to everyone.

### Year 8

Aqua Ip for being PROUD

Rory Wilkins for trying SO hard with homework and being super ENGAGED.

Charlotte Chan for being READY and awesome.

Michael Pearce for just being lovely and KIND.

Ollie Faulkner for being SAFE around our campus.

### Year 9

Ella Barlemoor for taking PRIDE in her extra-curricular activities

Millie Seviour for showing excellent ENGAGEMENT in English, Sports Studies and History,

William Andrews for always being READY to learn

Lucia Webber-Serrano for showing exceptional KINDNESS to our new students

Harlow Wilson for ensuring the SAFETY of another student

### Year 11

Lionel Lushi: For having a hardworking attitude in all his lessons.

Daniel Andrews: For being engaged in his morning mastery every day.

Jack Smith: For coming back in September with an excellent attitude and being ready in all lessons.

McKenzie Scott: For always saying good morning during line up and being polite and kind to staff.

Jack Cook: For always being safe and respectful around school.

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

# AWARDS AND REWARDS

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



**BRONZE**

Isaiah Morris  
Thomas Johnson  
Charlotte Chan  
Jack Maddaford  
Ethan Griffiths  
Mandjou Berete  
Casper Ng  
Alexandria Follows

+ 4 other students



Ava attends Honiton gymnastics 3 times a week, she started 18 months ago. She was currently in Acro 5 and 4 weeks ago got selected to move into Acro 3. She has her first competition on Saturday in Honiton, Ava and her partner absolutely smashed their routine they came 5th out of 21 partnerships. They did amazing it was a new harder grade, new routine and new partnership and Avas best score yet!!

## PHOTO PERMISSION

From time to time, we would love to share photos of our certificate winners with our families through the newsletter.

Please ensure that you keep your consent for photography/videography up to date through MCAS. Without permission, your child will not be photographed or named.

## HOUSE POINTS



19516 Total



18448 Total



20320 Total



17806 Total



## ATTENDANCE



93.76%



94.86%



94.38%



94.26%

