

# THE WEEKLY UPDATE

Dear CEC Primary Families,

As we conclude another week of learning and growth, I am proud that our campus is deeply rooted in our community and our unwavering belief that aspirational learning and opportunities have the incredible power to transform the lives of our pupils. We proudly uphold a set of core values, represented by the PERKS of being #Crantastic - Proud, Engaged, Ready, Kind, and Safe.

This Monday, as I walked through each corridor of our school and entered our Primary classrooms, I was reminded of the strength of our community and our commitment to making the world a better place. From the moving notes of Vera Lynn's 'We'll Meet Again' echoing through our halls to poignant discussions children had around the major art installation 'Blood Swept Lands and Seas of Red' and our poem of the week 'In Flanders Fields,' our students embodied these values. Their active engagement in remembering the service and sacrifice of those who have defended our freedoms and way of life truly embodies what it means to be #Crantastic. Deeply connected to our British Values, it was really special to see children taking this week to create their own poems, artwork, and letters as part of Remembrance. I'd like to extend a special thank you to Alex Hawkins for her soulful performance of 'The Last Post,' which brought our school community together in a moment of silence and respect.

In our ongoing efforts to uphold the highest standards, we deeply appreciate our teachers and families coming together to discuss pupil progress and well-being. It's heartening to see so many students actively participating in these conversations, taking ownership of their learning habits, efforts, goals, and actions. I wholeheartedly believe that when a pupil, family, and school voice come together, there is a moment of magic that happens - it is a powerful combination, and these conversations can be pivotal moments in a child's learning journey. If you were not able to attend a meeting this week and would still like the opportunity to, please do get in touch with our reception team to organise this.

On Wednesday, our teachers furthered our mission by engaging in network meetings with other primary schools in the Ted Wragg Trust. The spirit of collaboration and sharing of ideas for enriching the educational experience for all our pupils truly reflects our commitment to making a difference. Additionally, Stephen Farmer, Head of Campus, and I had a productive meeting at Cranberry Farm with Cranbrook Town Councillors and leaders from St Martin's School. Read more about our meeting inside this weeks newsletter by [clicking here](#).

As you receive this newsletter, our PTA children's disco will be well underway. I want to express our sincere gratitude to our PTA for their dedication to CEC and their role in providing such memorable opportunities for our pupils. It's heartwarming to know that the week will end with a fantastic Friday feeling including dancing, smiles, and joy.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, and I look forward to seeing all pupils back at school on Monday in Odd Socks to kick-start our Anti-Bullying Week!

Warm regards,

**Krishna Gandhi**  
**Head of Primary and Senior Deputy Head of Campus**





Monday 13th November from  
3.15pm

Friday 24th November

Thursday 30th November

Wednesday 6th December  
9.30am

Wednesday 6th December  
2.30pm

Thursday 7th December

Friday 15th December

PTA & Christmas events on the following pages. For all other upcoming events, please [visit the website by clicking here](#)

This week our service children helped to make poppies to mark this special week as we remember service people past and present.



On Wednesday, Stephen Farmer, Head of Campus, and Krisha Gandhi, Head of Primary had a productive meeting at Cranberry Farm with Cranbrook Town Councillors and leaders from St Martin's School. This gathering allowed us to explore opportunities to collaborate and understand the desires of our shared town and community. It was great to hear from Cranbrook's Running Club Founder on the importance of the town's weekend Junior ParkRun and the power of running for our young people no matter whether they are already actively involved in sport or not. Please do join us for the next meeting



## RECEPTION OPEN EVENTS

Our Primary Open Events will take place on Tuesday 14th November at 10am and 4pm. This is an opportunity for all preschool families looking to join the Campus in Reception 2024 to come and see what will be on offer. [Click here](#) to register an interest to attend.

## REQUEST FOR SPORTING PHOTOS!




We are thrilled to witness the incredible passion and talent that our young athletes bring to their sports activities both in and outside of school. To celebrate their achievements and foster a sense of community, we are initiating a special project to raise the profile of sports within and across our campus.

Please encourage your children to bring in photos capturing their memorable moments in sports. Whether it's a football match, a dance performance, or any other sporting event, we want to showcase the dedication and hard work that our pupils put into their extracurricular activities.

The goal of this project is to create a visual collage that reflects the diverse range of sports and athletic pursuits our students are involved in beyond the school environment. I believe this initiative will not only celebrate individual achievements but also inspire and motivate others to explore different sports showcasing the power of Community, Learning and Opportunities.

Your children can submit their photos directly to me (Dan Sanders in Year 5 Sufiya) and younger children can pass photos onto their teachers to share with me. We are excited about the opportunity to highlight the rich tapestry of sports engagement within our school community. Your support in making this project a success is highly appreciated. Additionally, if your child has any notable achievements or milestones in their sports activities, we encourage you to share this information with us so that we can recognise and celebrate their successes in school too.

Thank you for your collaboration. I'm really looking forward to celebrating the achievements of our young athletes together!




**CRANBROOK EDUCATION CAMPUS  
RECEPTION NEW STARTER EVENTS**


**OPEN MORNING**  
Tuesday 14th November  
10am-11am

**OPEN EVENING**  
Tuesday 14th November  
4pm-5pm

**BOOK NOW**  
For an opportunity for all preschool families looking to join the campus in Reception for September 2024 to come and see what will be on offer, click the link below  
<https://www.cranbrook.education/openevening>




**LANGUAGE CLUB**  
In language club this week we have started to explore French. We learnt some common words and a couple of phrases which we hope to build on throughout the term.





**SOCIAL MEDIA**  
The social media checklists below are great for families and students. Click the image for more information


**Social Media Checklists**


Google & Resources • Social Media Checklists


**Facebook Checklist**  
Downloadable booklet to guide you through your profile settings in Facebook


**Twitter Checklist**  
Downloadable booklet to guide you through your profile settings in Twitter


**Instagram Checklist**  
Downloadable booklet to guide you through your profile settings in Instagram

**Snapchat Checklist**  
Downloadable booklet to guide you through your profile settings in Snapchat

**Roblox Checklist**  
Downloadable booklet to guide you through your profile settings in Roblox

**TikTok Checklist**  
Downloadable booklet to guide you through your profile settings in TikTok

**Netflix Checklist**  
Downloadable booklet to guide you through parental controls in Netflix

**Yubo Checklist**  
Downloadable booklet to guide you through privacy and security features on Yubo



### PE TIMETABLE

Please click [here](#) to see the timetable for PE days moving into Autumn Term

### SHARING SUCCESS

Please share your child's achievements with us so that we can celebrate their achievement. You can send these to the year group emails or to [socialmedia@cranbrook.education](mailto:socialmedia@cranbrook.education)

### CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

Amelia Petherick in Year 6 shared the exciting news with us this week, that she had been chosen as player of the match after joining a brand new football team in Exmouth. We are excited to hear about her future matches and wish Amelia the very best of luck in her new team. She has also recently joined a rugby team too so will be very busy. Well done, Amelia!



### EXETER PRIMARY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Our year 5 and 6 football team represented CEC brilliantly on Monday evening at their first EPFL fixtures based at St. Peter's School.

The first fixture against Wynstream was a closely fought match. The team went 1-0 down through a controversial early goal and battled hard to get an equaliser throughout the match but unfortunately went down 2-0 with a late goal as they were pushing more players forward late in the game. It was a very good effort by all against a strong Wynstream team with stand out performances from Theo Burrell-Squires with his tricky wing play and Natalia Dabrowska with some resilient defending.

In the second game against St. Michael's, CEC took their first points of the season with a 4-2 win. Some slick attacking play between Ollie Hooper, Ollie Moore and Clayton Leat helped CEC to a 3 goal lead that was very nearly 4 at half time. St. Michael's fought back to make it 3-2 and set up a close finish to the game. However, the team managed to weather the storm with one fantastic save from goalkeeper Harrison Neal, before Oliver Hooper was able to seal the win with a calm finish late on.

### ROCKBEARE ROCKETS

Ted Scott-Hake, Jake Skinner, Scott Godfrey, Alfie Clarke, Henry Anderson and Peggy Chapman have all started to play in league matches for Rockbeare Rockets Football Club U8s team. They have shown teamwork skills and great dedication to football in their recent matches and we are super proud of them.





### TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY

Tempest have now sent out emailed regarding school photographs that were taken at the end of the last term.

Tempest will be returning on Monday 13th November to complete family / siblings photos. These will be completed in the same way as last year on a first come first served basis.

### CHRISTMAS CARDS

Don't forget to order your Christmas goodies from your child's personal designs! Most of you should have received your child's sample Christmas Card design. (If your child is in nursery they will give it to you the next time your child attends)

**Orders are open until 10th November**

Every order provides the PTA with funds to support the school in enriching your child's education.

Any questions or queries please email

[pta@cranbrook.education](mailto:pta@cranbrook.education)

Many Thanks for all your support - The PTA



## SAVE THE DATES

**Cranbrook Lights Switch On**  
Friday 24th November

**Christmas Tree  
Lights turn on**  
**Join us & Meet  
Santa Claus**

24  
NOV

5:00pm @ Younghayes Centre Car Park  
Lights Switch on by Santa @ 5:30pm  
Meet & Greet afterwards

HOT DRINKS

Cranbrook Town Council

MINCE PIES

SANTAS GROTTO | £1 DONATION | FREE

CHILDREN'S CRAFTS

With special thanks to



**PTA Christmas Fair**  
Friday 1st December

CRANBROOK EDUCATION CAMPUS

*Christmas Fair*



FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2023

3.15PM-5.30PM

EMAIL [PTA@CRANBROOK.EDUCATION](mailto:PTA@CRANBROOK.EDUCATION)

**Christmas Jumper Day**  
Friday 8th December

**Christmas Carols**  
Friday 8th December 2.30pm

**Reception Nativity**  
Monday 11th December  
9.30am & 2.30pm

**Campus Christmas Meal**  
Wednesday 13th December  
(SchoolGrid will be updated  
the Christmas menu in the  
coming few days)



### **NURSERY**

This week in Carle Class we have been exploring lots of colourful paint and using cardboard rolls to create some beautiful firework pictures. We have been talking about all the different fireworks we heard and saw on fireworks night. The children have all been very excited to tell us their stories from seeing some fireworks. We have also been exploring a variety of different coloured playdough and exploring making our own fireworks using lollipop sticks and pipe cleaners. We have also had lots of fun exploring some gloop, the children got very messy and enjoyed the texture and feel of this.

### **PRESCHOOL**

Wow what an exciting first week back in Preschool. Its been lovely to hear all about your exciting holiday adventures, as well as firework and bonfire excursions. We have been busy exploring how to make our own firework pictures. We have also made some beautiful poppy pictures for Remembrance. Our Rhyme of the week has been Hey Diddle Diddle and we have enjoyed singing it with actions. We have had fun playing with rhyming words and counting syllables in our classroom to develop our learning of rhythm and rhyme. Thank you to all parents and carers who were able to come to our recent Pupil Wellbeing Evenings, it was really lovely to be able to share your child's learning and progress. If you were unable to attend please let your class teacher know and we will do our best to arrange another opportunity.



### **RECEPTION**

What a brilliant first full week back in Reception! The children loved sharing details about the adventures they went on during the October break. Everyone has settled into routines really well and have fully immersed themselves into the weeks learning. In English we introduced our new story 'How to Catch a Star' and the children had interesting ideas as to how the character could catch the star and what he would do with it! Each class had a star hanging from the ceiling and the children were very engaged when working as a team to try and build a tall enough structure to reach it! In Maths we have continued to focus on 2D shapes and being able to identify the similarities and differences between them. In our Creative Area the children have been busy designing their own firework picture using a mixture of resources. Thank you to all parents and carers who attended the Pupil Wellbeing Evenings, it was lovely to be able to share your child's achievements with you and let you know how your child has settled into class. We hope you have brilliant weekend and we look forward to seeing you next week!



## YEAR 1

Year 1 have had a #Crantastic first full week back. Our new English book Oi Frog! has everyone engaged and we have been challenging ourselves to come up with the silliest rhyme! In Maths we have continued to work hard on our number bonds to 10 and it is brilliant to see how confident the children are becoming within this. Our new Science topic this half term is Who Am I? where we have been looking at the parts of the body and our senses. We thoroughly enjoyed labelling parts of our bodies and our first experiment where we explored our sense of smell. Most children described the strong garlic smell as disgusting!



## YEAR 2

What a great first week back into year 2! This week in English, we started learning about our new story: 'Could a penguin ride a bike?' and we found it very funny! In maths, we continued our addition and subtraction learning but moved on to adding and subtracting two digit numbers! In science, we began exploring mini-worlds to prepare us for the trip to the country park on Tuesday! In geography, we began learning about our world and have started singing the continents song. We have also welcomed two new members of our team, Mr Nick Knight who is based in Ellis class and Miss Lucia Bergamasco who is based in Engle class. They will be joining us full time between January and March. Thank you to all who were able to attend parents evening. Have a great weekend!

## YEAR 3 & 4

In years 3 and 4 this week, we have had a lovely start to the term with the children being ready and engaged across our phase. Many of the children have been proud to show their home learning they have started.

As teachers, we have enjoyed speaking with parents about how children have settled into their new classes for this year, things we'd like each child to work on and positive moments so far. Thank you to all who attended.

We are thrilled to share that we have an exciting opportunity across our phase to learn the ukulele in Music! This is something Ibtihaj class shall be starting next week and all other classes shall then have this opportunity later in the year. On the subject of Music, we have also chosen our Christmas songs for the phase this year and shall be asking children to practise these at home.

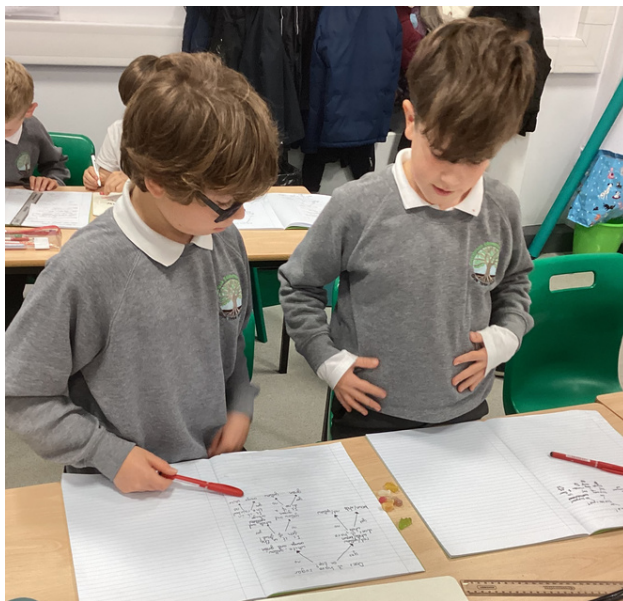
Across our phase we are trailing using booklets to complete our work in Geography. We asked the children for their feedback and it seems they have really enjoyed their first lessons and felt excited to see what comes next. Did you know that the oceans hold 97% of the earth's waters!?

## YEAR 5

Year 5 have had a very busy week in school! We have finished our maths topic, graphs and tables, and started our new topic, multiplication and division. In English, we have been learning about the use of descriptive language, creating our own descriptions of characters from our book Beowulf. In Geography, we have started our topic "Slums" and so far, we have learnt what a slum is and why they develop. The children have found it fascinating learning about the biggest slums in the world and what it is like to live there. Finally, in Music, we have started our topic which is all about Sea Shanties.

## YEAR 6

In maths this week we have started working on fractions. This is our new unit of Power Maths and children have worked hard on simplifying and identifying errors in calculations to help with reasoning. In science, we have been learning how to classify plants and animals using different types of sweets! This was a very memorable task and we were very impressed with the questions that were created to organise and group the edibles. In PSHE we have dedicated our time to Remembrance Day and learning about the importance of this time. Children have created poems, drawings and letters to pay their respect to service people past and present.





# AWARDS AND REWARDS

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



## BRONZE

Reggie Hooper  
Maisie Randall  
George Newbery-Jewell  
Arthur Taylor-King  
Zohair Rishan  
Adeline Busby  
Finn Matthews  
Rain Rowe  
Robyn Dixon  
Blake Doksoz  
Kyle Saxton  
Jody McWilliams  
Henry Fryer  
Lily Griffiths  
Elsie Moody  
Charlotte Rogers  
Charlie Boden-Hammond  
Dexter Corrick  
Charlie Corrick  
Isaac Moore

+13 other students



## SILVER

Issac Burrell-Squires  
Imogen Beasley  
Matilda Steer  
Freddie Jarman  
Sonny Taylor  
Oliver Martin  
Isla Ballett  
Charlie Moxey  
Kathryn Partridge  
Harry Chapman  
Tsz Chan  
Paris Rickard  
Autumn Moore  
Terri Watson  
Azra Bayrak  
Isaac James  
George Scott  
Lily-Rose Wellman  
Tobias Davies  
Alfie Willcox  
Maisie Rayner  
Bakary Berete  
Iyla Lovering  
Bella Cartlidge  
Sam Yorke  
William Yorke

+28 other students

## SPARX OF THE WEEK

02.12.22

### Class of the Week

2 MURPHY, 4 ROWLING, 6 EVANS  
100%

## HOUSE POINTS



27020 Total



25935 Total



28695 Total



24700 Total



## ATTENDANCE



93.70%



94.29%



94.11%



94.24%





# 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)

## **Intercom Trust are now taking referrals for our new project Family Pride South West.**

The project has 4 components;

\*Family Pride Events – fun family events for families where at least one member is LGBT+



\*Parenting Support – We will be delivering Group Triple P for LGBT+ parents/carers with children between the ages of 2 and 12. This will be an 8 week course focussing on parenting skills.

\*Family Relationship Support – Our family practitioners can work with families where there is tension or communication problems between parents (together or apart). This can include disagreements on how best to support an LGBT+ child in the family, or where a parent has come out as LGBT+ and they are unsure what this means for their relationship, as well as more general relationship difficulties.

\*Couples/co-parent counselling – We will have counselling available for parents who wish to work through difficulties in a therapeutic setting.

Families can book onto upcoming events via our Eventbrite page - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/intercom-trust-17691399947>. Alternatively they can get in touch with our helpline to join the mailing list to be informed about upcoming events - 0800 612 3010 (9am – 4pm weekdays) or email [helpline@intercomtrust.org.uk](mailto:helpline@intercomtrust.org.uk).

For parenting support, mediation or counselling, families can be referred, or can self-refer via the referral form on our website - <https://www.intercomtrust.org.uk/referral-form/>.

The webpage for parents and families who may be interested in the project - <https://www.intercomtrust.org.uk/lgbt-families/>.



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## GLOW IN THE DARK DODGEBALL

WEDNESDAY 22ND NOV (AGES 5-11) & WEDNESDAY 6TH DEC (AGES 12-16)  
@ CRANBROOK EDUCATIONAL CAMPUS  
5 PM-6 PM  
£7 PER CHILD / PLACES LIMITED  
BOOKINGS ONLINE: [SPORTYSTARS.CO.UK](https://www.sportystars.co.uk)

FACE PAINT MUSIC LIGHTS FUN!



## EX5-ALIVE

Cranbrook  
Community  
Support



## PRISM Exeter

### PRISM Speakers

Platforming LGBTQ+ voices from across science, technology, engineering, maths and medicine.



**Dr Anna Puglisi** (she/her)  
Senior Research Fellow, Uni. of Southampton  
"All the colours of the rainbow: building safe spaces for LGBTQIA+ astronomers"



**Megan Coles** (she/they)  
Clinical Microbiologist in training, Berkshire and Surrey Pathology Services NHS  
"Putting my identity under the microscope"

**Tues 21st November (18:30 - 21:00)**  
**Exeter Library (EX4 3PQ) and online**

**Tickets (£0 - £4.72):**  
[prism-speakers-nov2023.eventbrite.co.uk](https://prism-speakers-nov2023.eventbrite.co.uk)



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