



# 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*

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## Secondary Update

Dear CEC families

I hope that you were able to spend some quality family together last week during the half term break. It has been a busy first week of the half term at the Campus, below are the key updates:

- **Year 8 STEM Lego challenge** - Year 8 were treated to a brilliant **opportunity** of a STEM Lego challenge delivered by Howmet Aerospace and Careers South West on Wednesday.
- **Online Safety Family Event** - As a campus, we understand the importance of keeping children safe online and will be running an online safety family event on Thursday next week between 5-6pm. More detail below.
- **Activities week** - We have changed the Year 7 and 8 structure of activities week to open all 4 day trips to both year groups. More details below.



## Exams

**Year 11 Science PPE's have begun** - On Monday, our Year 11 pupils sat their first Science pre public examination (PPE) and they sat their second exam today. We were really impressed by how **engaged** they all were and how well they had prepared.

**MHST exam stress workshops** - Year 11's received support with tips and tricks to manage their exam stress from the Mental Health in Schools team today and there will be another session next Friday

**Year 10 and 11 final exams in Drama started** - Our Year 10 and 11 Drama cohorts also started their final exams this week and they also demonstrated their **readiness**, preparation and **engagement**.

For more information about exams at Cranbrook Education Campus, please see the website [cranbrook.education/exams](https://cranbrook.education/exams)

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## Activities Week 2024

In order to increase the uptake on the Year 7 and 8 day trips we have decided to open all 4 day trips to both year groups. Therefore you/your child can choose from a combination of any of the day trips below or remain on site all week for the carousel of free activities.



These will be available to be purchased via MCAS from 5pm on Friday 23rd February however spaces will be limited to 60 pupils per trip.

If you have already paid for activities week via MCAS, this payment will be transferred across. If your preference has changed, please email [reception@cranbrook.education](mailto:reception@cranbrook.education).

The itinerary for day trips will now be as follows and will each require a £10 non refundable deposit per day trip to confirm your child's space.

- **Monday 15th July** - Woodlands - 60 Spaces - £27.50
- **Tuesday 16th July** - Day trip to We are Curious (Bristol) - 60 Spaces - £26.50 - <https://www.wethecurious.org/>
- **Wednesday 17th July** - Exmouth Water Sports - 60 Spaces - £42.50
- **Thursday 18th July** - Day trip to Splashdown Quay West - 60 Spaces - £30.50 - <https://www.splashdownwaterparks.co.uk/quaywest/>
- **Friday 19th July** - School Quiz and 12pm finish for Secondary pupils

Each day, for those not attending the day trip there will be a free carousel of on site activities for pupils.

The remaining balance payment schedule will remain as follows:

- **Payment 1/Deposit:** due by 4th March
- **Payment 2:** due by 29th March (this can be removed for PP families on request- see below for more details)
- **Payment 3:** due by 30th April
- **Payment 4:** due by 31st May

If you have any questions, please email [reception@cranbrook.education](mailto:reception@cranbrook.education)

## Y8 STEM Challenge Day

On Wednesday of this week, our year 8 students took part in a STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) challenge day where they had to invent, design and market their own robot. Year 8 worked incredibly well together and came up with some amazing ideas. We had wardrobes that pick your outfit and dress you to robots that clean the ocean. The winning groups from each tutor group then presented to their entire year. The winning idea was the "Flying Farmer" which involved a drone flying over fields to help water and feed crops. Congratulations to Bartek, Mckaulie, Michael, Riley and Mathias for their winning idea. They seemed to really enjoy their goody bags!



## Extreme Reading

There is still time to get your photographs in for the Extreme Reading competition.

Send your photos of your Extreme Reading locations to [socialmedia@cranbrook.education](mailto:socialmedia@cranbrook.education) for a chance to win a £10 book voucher. Closing Date is Friday 1st March and the winner will be announced on World Book Day - Thursday 7th March.





Tense scenes as a hard-fought chess match between Casper and Wassim draws a big crowd at lunchtime.

### Artist Shout Out!

Year 9 has created some brilliant Mexican Day of the Dead ceramic skulls. They created a design in their sketchbooks inspired by the traditional patterns of the festival, and then sculpted a clay skull for drawing and painting their design on. Well done team. Featured artists: Maisy Libby, William Paul, Imogen Blackman, Daniel Cheung, and Oresta Kasperoviciute





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## Lets Talk!

We are really pleased to announce we have launched two more 20 minute bitesize videos on our YouTube Channel - <http://www.youtube.com/@letstalkdevon>.

The first session is about our young persons wellbeing and is available at [Let's Talk Emotional Wellbeing](#)

The second talks about the online challenges our young people face today and is available at [Let's Talk Online Challenges](#)

These recordings are openly available for everyone to view so please feel free to share along with [Let's Talk Healthy Relationships](#) and they are around 20 minutes long.



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## Car Parking

We have a small car park at the campus that is intended for use by visitors and staff who live outside of Cranbrook only. Please walk to the campus where possible. If you do drive to the campus, there is plenty of on road parking available if families continue to park sensibly and safely. Blue badge holders who have responsibility for dropping off and collecting students may also use the car park and should bring their blue badge to the main reception office so details can be recorded. Please remember the speed limit is 5mph at all times. More information can be found on our website by clicking here [www.cranbrook.education/carparking](http://www.cranbrook.education/carparking)

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# PERKY PEOPLE

## Proud, Engaged, Ready, Kind and 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

Harry Glover - Always enthusiastically ENGAGED, KIND and helpful in tutor.

Ryan Aleryani - Always PROUD and READY

Harvey Rand - READY, ENGAGED, KIND and polite.

Emily-Rose Winter - Very ENGAGED with school and PROUD in everything she does

### Year 8

Caitlin-Jo Sadler because you are amazing.

Esmae Hewitt for being amazing.

Eliza Holt for just being lovely.

Maisie Williams for being READY and prepared!

### Year 9

Khloe Shaw for having excellent attendance and coming to school everyday being ready to learn.  
Ruby Dowd for always being engaged in lessons and working really hard.  
Yasmin Day for always being in lessons on time and with equipment ready.  
Ethan Dixon for always being kind and considerate in lessons and around school.  
Riley Speirs for being safe on campus at all times.

Year 10

Lottie Taylor for being an excellent role model  
Evie Bowker for being engaged in all her lessons  
Valeria Aguirre for always being ready with her equipment  
Mateen Kay for being kind and saving the year ten English books when they decided to take flight!  
Lily Smith for an excellent and and safe start

Year 11

Amelia S : For achieving a scholarship to The Maynard School.  
Julia S : For being engaged her post 16 provision.  
Jayden O'Neill : Always having equipment and helping to tidy up in lessons.  
Aadan Chow : For being polite and kind to staff and being a positive presence around school.  
Evie Bain : Creating a calm and being safe around the campus.

Awards & Rewards

Congratulations to pupils who obtained their House Point Awards this week.

Bronze Awards

Jack Cook  
Jack Smith  
Henry Macdonald  
Ellie Hawkins  
William Rutter  
Sammy Stokes  
Owen Hardware  
Aaden Chow

+ 4 other students



Silver Awards

Maisy Libby  
Sonny Paul  
Sara Stemska

Lexi Salter  
Mollie Williams  
Danyaal Mussani  
Kayla Kendall  
+ 1 other student



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### Gold Awards

Kiara Simmonds- Williams  
Poppy Smith  
Shelby Cox  
Alex Miskiewicz  
Riley Spry  
Ethan Griffiths  
+ 6 other students



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### Platinum Awards

Theo Elcoate  
Ollie Faulkner  
Charlie Hall  
Jamie Bird  
Jack Maddaford  
Esmae Hewitt  
Thomas Watson  
Chloe Frisby  
Christopher Partridge  
Makeen Kay







## HOUSE POINTS



92823 Total



97336 Total



98614 Total



91184 Total



## ATTENDANCE



92.83%



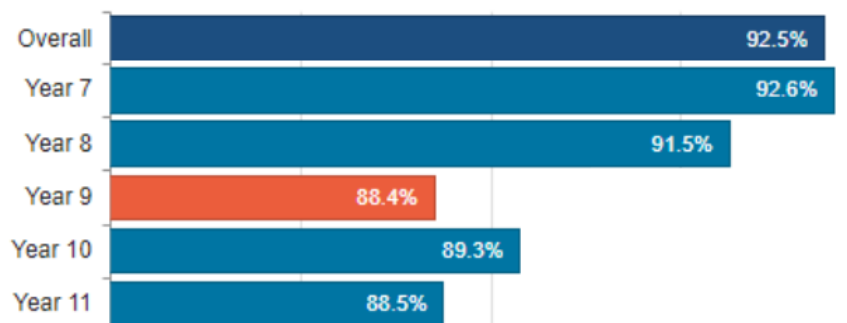
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92.83%



91.87%



## An additional reminder

Please take a moment to share your thoughts about our campus on the Ofsted [ParentView platform](#). Your valuable feedback is crucial, especially as we anticipate an Ofsted inspection this academic year. Your perspectives will provide valuable insights and contribute to showcasing the strengths and positive aspects of our campus. The whole team greatly appreciates you taking the time to complete this.

## Dates for the Diary

Year 11 PPEs - Monday 4th - Friday 15th March

World Book Day & PTA Bake sale - Thursday 7th March

Year 10 PPEs - Monday 11th - Friday 15th March

Term dates Term dates for 24-25 are available on the [website](#)

Please note that in October 2024 Primary has a two week half term.

Have a lovely weekend and stay **safe**.



**Stephen Farmer**

Head of Campus