



# Cranford CE Primary Newsletter

Date: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Working together for all children to prosper, be full of hope and be excited about their future

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope the first newsletter of the year finds you in good spirits and that you managed to have a relaxing and restful summer holiday. It has been a fabulous start to the school year and the children have already settled brilliantly into their new classes. It really feels like we have never been away! In our first whole school assembly, I spoke to the children about the school value of happiness, and I was so impressed with the children's thoughtful and considered responses. What makes our children happy? Spending time with friends, family, pets and loved ones!

At the start of the new year school year, we welcome a new group of Acorns to Cranford Primary. It is always a nervous time for parents as they wave their children off at the school gate. We have been so proud of the way that the children have settled into school and as you can see from the photos below, they are already demonstrating possibly the most important Cranford Way Value – Happiness! We can not wait to see these brilliant children flourish and prosper at our school!



However, it isn't just children that we welcome to team Cranford. We are delighted to announce two new members of staff: Mrs Adams (who will be working with the Acorns class) and Mrs Molsher (who will be working across three schools within our Trust as a Family Support Officer). I am sure it won't be long before you get to know them both and we are so pleased to be able to expand our little team further!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, the Cranford School Community, for your continued support. It means huge amount to all the staff and I am so excited about the wonderful year that we have planned! Have a lovely weekend and see you on the school gates on Monday!

*Mr Tyman*

## **Key Term Dates:**

**18/09/2023-** School Council Food Bank Assembly - more details to follow shortly

**21/09/2023-** Thursday Night Football - Year 5/6 begins

**21/09/2023-** Taekwondo Breakfast Club begins

**22/09/2023-** Celebration Assembly

**28/09/2023-** Thursday Night Football – Year 5/6

**29/09/2023-** Celebration Assembly

**29/09/2023-** School council- MacMillan coffee afternoon- more details to follow

**02/10/2023-** Black History Week

**05/10/2023-** Thursday Night Football – Year 5/6

**06/10/2023-** Celebration Assembly

**09/10/2023-** Small School Football Event

**10/10/2023-** World Mental Health Day

**10/10/2023-** Reception 2024 Opening Evening

**11/10/2023-** Whole School RE Day - World Day of Prayer for Peace

**12/10/2023-** KS2 Cross Country Event

**12/10/2023-** Thursday Night Football – Year 5/6 Football

**13/10/2023-** Celebration Assembly

**13/10/2023-** Pro-Strike Fund Raiser

**16/10/2023-** Collective Worship in Church

**17/10/2023-** Parents Evening and Scholastics Book Fair

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**19/10/2023-** Harvest Festival – 9:15 start

**19/10/2023-** Thursday Night Football – Year 5/6

**20/10/2023-** Celebration Assembly

**20/10/2023-** End of Term!



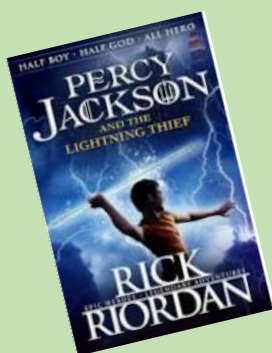
At the start of the school year, can we just remind you that Cranford is a nut-free school. Children who suffer from nut allergies can develop a severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction.

If someone has a nut allergy it is not just eating nuts that can cause a severe reaction, just being touched on the skin or smelling the breath of someone who has had nuts or a product containing nuts can trigger anaphylactic shock (which can cause breathing and swallowing difficulties).

So please can we ask that you have no nut products in the lunch boxes or brought into the school as treats. We appreciate your support on this important matter!

## The Book Squad:

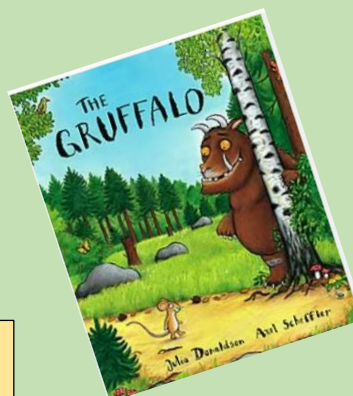
The Book squad are back and more determined than ever to get Cranford kids reading! They have fab activities planned already for this year including a KS1 book club and a termly book swap. They will also continue to share their book recommendations in our Newsletters.



### **Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief!**

This is a great book for KS2 children because it is all about Greek Myths and it is a personal favourite of mine!

**Oliver Mallows**



### **The Gruffalo**

This is a very good book for KS1 children because it is a fun story with lots of rhymes. It was my favourite as a child!

**Molly Howley**

### **Safeguarding Matters**

Always be aware of what children are doing when they're on mobile devices (phones, tablets and laptops), computers and game consoles. Make sure they're only accessing age-appropriate content and games, when talking to them about the dangers of talking to, or sharing information with, people they don't know.

If you are concerned about the well-being of any child or adult, please speak to Mr Tyman (our safeguarding lead). For out of hours concerns please contact Northamptonshire MASH (multi agency safeguarding hub) on:

**0300 126 7000**

or out of hours: **01604 626 938.**

### **Online Safety:**

Keeping children safe online is vitally important but also an increasing challenge for parents and carers as children now have so much more access than ever before to the virtual world. We teach online safety in school and to support you at home we would highly recommend downloading the free National Online Safety app which has free guides, resources and courses to keep you up to date. Information can be found here on how to download it:

<https://info.nationalcollege.com/mobile-app>

We'd also recommend having a look at the NSPCC website that also has lots of great advice to keep your child online:

[www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/)

### **Prayer for a New School Year**

Lord, please bless all our teachers, friends, and relatives as they make their way back to their classrooms for another year.

Help them to feel excitement and joy in the promise of a new start.

Give them everything they need to start their classes.

Give them all they need all year.

Amen

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