



Cranford CE Primary Newsletter

Date: 13/10/2023

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

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope that this newsletter finds you well and that you are preparing for a relaxing weekend with your families. As promised in our last newsletter, the whole school community has been extremely busy with bucket loads of exciting activities.

The children's well-being will always be our top priority and it was therefore so important to mark World Mental Health Day. As a school community, we are increasingly aware of the pressures that our young people face and the huge impact that poor mental health can have on a child's learning. We hope that this week's special homework has allowed the children an opportunity to talk through any worries and concerns that they might have with a loved one at home.



Our work on mental health continued during RE day with its focus on Prayer and Peace. The children wrote such beautiful prayers reflecting on the importance of peace. We talked about how we can have positive impact on the world by developing a calm and peaceful manner and how this can help to solve conflicts in our own lives. The children painted some beautiful peace pebbles that will be placed on the playground to help to promote positive mental health.



Of course, mental health is not about one-off weeks but developing kindness, resilience, and empathy in our young people. A task that everyone at Cranford Primary believes passionately in!

As a church school it's our belief that faith can have an important part to play in delivering inner peace to our pupils, so we were delighted to be able to invite our Collective Worship Ambassadors to a service at Peterborough Cathedral last week. The children had a wonderful time and positively

relished the opportunity to spend some time in such an awesome place of worship.



We have been busy competing in a range of sporting events this week. The year 5/6 football team are starting to develop into a strong, cohesive unit thanks to our weekly Thursday Night Football sessions, so we loved the opportunity to compete against other schools in the Kettering Sports Small School Event. Later in the week, children from Sycamores and Oaks competed in the KSSP Cross Country Running Event with amazing results. We even had a first-place finish!



Have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing you at the school gates on Monday for another busy but fruitful week!

Mr Tyman

Harvest Prayer

Father, as we celebrate this season of Harvest we give thanks for the blessings of food, provision, and nourishment.

Please grow in us a harvest for the world.

Come sow a seed within our souls Lord, that we might yield goodness, patience, and kindness in abundance.

May each seed of hope, peace and love grow within us into harvest that can be feasted on by all.

Amen

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, whilst 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 either Mr Charteris or Mr Tyman (our safeguarding leads). 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>

Key Term Dates:

16/10/2023- Collective Worship in Church - children only

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

17/10/2023- School Photos

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19/10/2023- Harvest Festival – 9:15 start, St Johns Church, Cranford – all welcome!

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

20/10/2023- Celebration Assembly

30/10/2023- 31/10/2023- Bikeability Year 5

02/11/2023- Friends of Cranford – Autumn Disco 6pm to 7.30pm

02/11/2023- Influenza vaccines for whole school

03/11/2023- Celebration Assembly

07/11/2023- Oaks school trip to Nottingham Justice Museum

09/11/2023- Thursday Football – Year 5/6

10/11/2023- Bikeability- Year 3

10/11/2023- Celebration Assembly

13/11/2023- Anti-Bullying Week

13/11/2023- Odd Sock Day- Anti- Bullying Awareness

16/11/2023- Thursday Football – Year 5/6

17/11/2023- Celebration Assembly