



Friday 20th September
2024

The **CRANLEIGH CHRONICLE**

HEADTEACHER'S EDITION

MESSAGES

I hope this newsletter finds you all well.

This week, our wraparound provision started in full. We have received such wonderful feedback from parents about the positives of offering a breakfast club for the very first time. We are very glad that it is supporting you so well.

Yesterday, I was informed that our application for the school to visit the Houses of Parliament next year was successful. We are so looking forward to seeing democracy in action! More information to follow in due course.

Thank you to every parent who has supported the school in ensuring their child no longer wears mufti on their birthday. We will always celebrate your children but, this way, we can ensure all children feel equity (not every family can afford smart clothing).

Mrs Kate Pelazza
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Dan the Skipping Man Refresher Workshops

Tuesday 24th September

9am & 3:30pm: Phonics workshops (for Reception and KS1 parents)

Wednesday 25th September

'Au Pays Des Lutins' French play for Key Stage Two

Friday 27th September

9-10am: Open Morning for prospective parents

Tuesday 1st October

5:30-6:30pm: Open Evening for prospective parents

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9-10am: Inclusion Team's 'Coffee and Cake' session for SEND parents

Thursday 3rd October

Harvest Live! sessions

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Year 5's Harvest Service at St. Nicolas Church

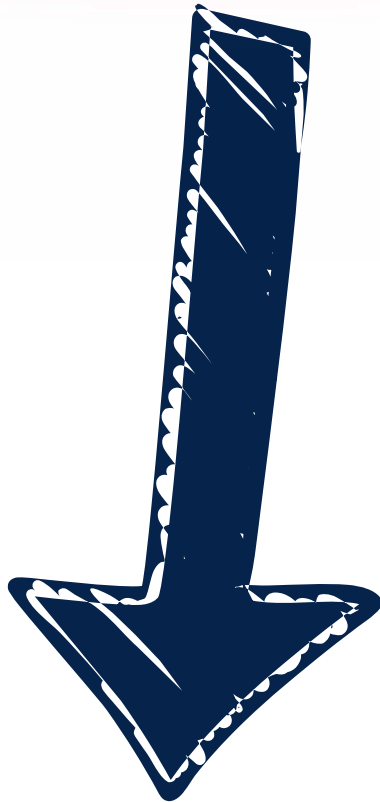
Friday 4th October

All calendar dates can be found on our [website!](#)



**Cranleigh C of E
Primary**

SPREAD THE
WORD!





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C OF E
PRIMARY**

Contact us to book your place:

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OPEN MORNINGS/ EVENING 2024



Come and see us!

Are you the parent/carer of a
child entering
Reception or Year 3
in September 2025?

DATES AND TIMES

- **TUESDAY 1st OCTOBER:**
9-10am
5:30-6:30pm
- **WED 16TH OCTOBER:**
9-10am

*Nurturing belief and ensuring
the highest standards of
learning for all*

you're! INVITED!

For ALL parents of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

PHONICS WORKSHOP

We are running 2 phonic workshops for parents of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

For these parents, please come along to **ONE** of the following next *Wednesday 25th September*:

9am start

3:30pm start



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Can you help?

Thank you



We need wooden kitchen utensils and cookware, in a good condition, for our new outdoor playground area.

Please hand in any donations to the school office or to Reception teacher, Mrs Conisbee.





Faith

FRIENDSHIP

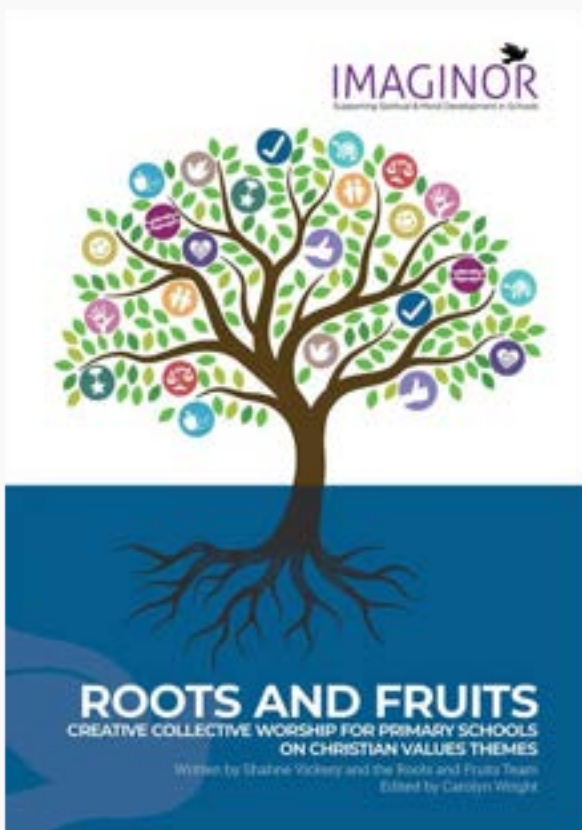
Each half-term, we focus on a different Christian value which is woven through our assemblies and curricula.

Our value this term is **FRIENDSHIP**.

As part of our commitment to offer our children the very best in Collective Worship, this year we are using 'Roots and Fruits' to provide outstanding assemblies.

Through this resource, Christian values are explored in a 2 year programme of fully worked, creative material within a structure of: Welcome, Learning, Reflecting and Responding.

The resource also offers home/school activities linked to each value which we have included overleaf. We hope you enjoy these!



This term we will be focussing in school on the value FRIENDSHIP. We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together.

TALK TOGETHER about Friendship

Learning to be a good friend, someone who can be trusted and is loyal, takes a lifetime.

Talk together about how friends come in all shapes and sizes. Some are young, some are old. Some are always there, some we see only occasionally.

- How do we choose our friends?
- What makes a good friend?
- Are we a good friend to others?

THINK TOGETHER Words of Wisdom

"A good friend is worth their weight in gold."

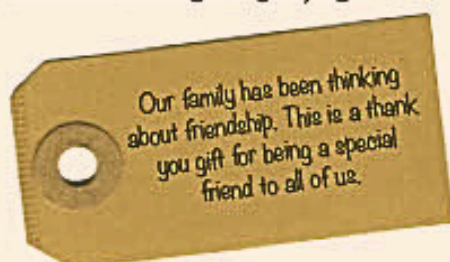
Anon

That's a lot of gold!
Why do you think that this is such a popular proverb?



FAMILY FOCUS Friends of the Family

This term's family challenge is to make a card or present for someone who is a friend to your whole family. You could add a gift tag saying...



READ TOGETHER... Through the roof

Jesus reached a town called Capernaum and made his way to a house near the town gate. The crowd had gathered quickly and now even more people were pushing and squeezing into the small house, wanting to see him, hear him and touch him.

The excitement was infectious and four friends who lived in a street nearby soon heard the news. They met together and decided that they absolutely had to take their friend Joshua to Jesus. Joshua was paralysed and couldn't walk. They'd heard that Jesus performed miracles and could heal the sick. This was a chance they couldn't miss.

Wasting no time they carried their friend on his bed mat to the house, but jostling crowds blocked the doorway. They couldn't give up now. Their friend must meet Jesus. There was only one way. They carried him on to the flat roof of the house and carefully removed part of the roof to make a large hole.

Knotting ropes to the corners of the bed mat they gently lowered Joshua down right in front of Jesus. Imagine the surprise of all the people looking on. But Jesus smiled kindly at Joshua. "Take up your bed, and walk" he said. Slowly, falteringly and hardly daring to believe it was happening, Joshua stood and took a step forward. He could walk. He could actually walk! Thanks to Jesus and his friends, Joshua's life was changed forever!

Bible story based on Mark 2:1-13

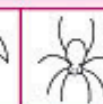


QUIZ Picture puzzle

Take the first letter of each object to discover who helped the paralysed man.



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FASCINATING FACTS

Friendship Bands

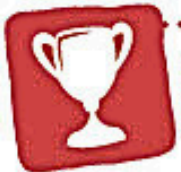
Friendship bracelets are usually handmade and given to a special **friend**. According to American tradition you must wear the bracelet until the cords break and it falls off naturally. In this way you honour the love and hard work your **friend** put in to making it.



Raksha Bandhan

One special type of **friendship** bracelet is a Rakhi. Each year, normally in August, many Hindus mark Raksha Bandhan. The festival is a celebration of family life and in particular the relationship between brothers and sisters. They remember and talk about special times together, and think about loyalty, closeness, trust and their everlasting **friendship**.

- Traditionally sisters tie a sacred thread, a Rakhi, on to their brothers' wrists.
- In response the brothers give their sisters a gift promising to help them whenever the need arises and to always protect them.
- Celebrations continue throughout the day with gifts of sweets and special food as families enjoy the time they share together.



HOME-SCHOOL CHALLENGE

Use your imagination to make the best **friendship** bracelet ever – using knotting, threading beads, twisting ribbon, whatever you can think of. The more original the better!

or, if you prefer...

make your own large version of the picture puzzle (over the page), joining 5 or 6 words about **friendship**. Either draw pictures or cut them out of magazines.



HALL OF FAME



A dog is a man's best Friend

Near the village of Beddgelert in North Wales is a beautiful sculpture of a very special **friend**.

According to legend, the monument marks the resting place of the faithful dog, Gelert, who once belonged to the medieval Welsh Prince, Llewelyn the Great. A tombstone tells the story of a fateful day when Llewelyn went out hunting leaving the faithful hound, Gelert, to guard his young son. On his return Gelert sprang to greet his master, but Llewelyn noticed some blood on his fur. He rushed inside his house. To his horror the first thing he saw was his son's cot. It was empty!

The frantic father turned on the dog, thinking he must have harmed the boy. He killed Gelert there and then with his sword. At that moment a child's cry rang out through the house. Llewelyn searched and discovered his boy unharmed, but nearby lay the body of a mighty wolf which Gelert had killed before it attacked the small child.

Prince Llewelyn is said never to have smiled again and with tears of sadness he buried Gelert in this place, which became known as "the grave of Gelert", or in Welsh, Beddgelert.





This week at Cranleigh

On Tuesday, we held our first Art club.
The children discussed the Parable of The Good Shepherd, which underpins our vision, and created sheep using various different media.



Ten Things Found in a Wizard's Pocket

A dark night.

Some words that nobody could ever spell.

A glass of water full to the top.

A large elephant.

A vest made from spiders' webs.

A handkerchief the size of a car park.

A bill from the wand shop.

A bucket full of stars and planets, to mix with the dark night.

A bag of magic mints you can suck forever.

A snoring rabbit.



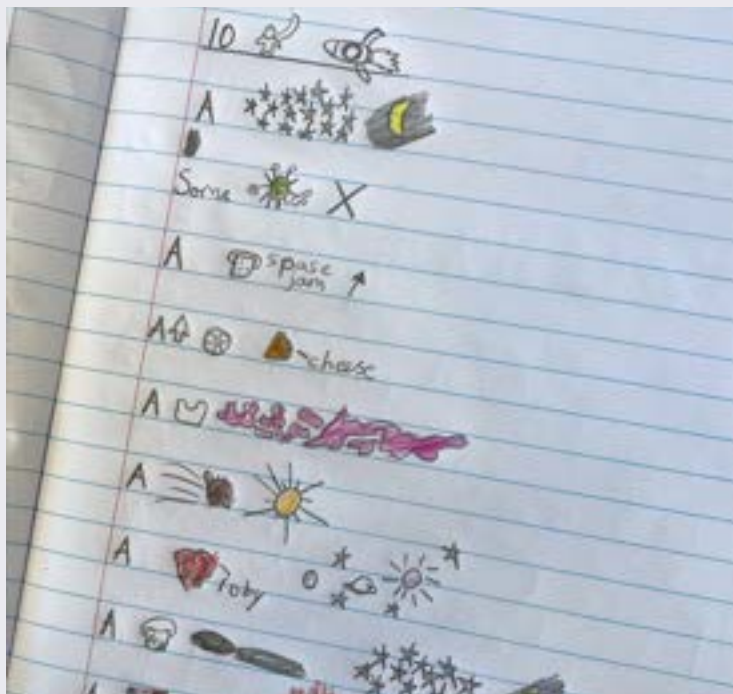
Talk for Writing™

This week at Cranleigh

Our children have LOVED starting their new approach to writing:

Talk for Writing.

They have read Ian McMillan's '10 Things Found in a Wizard's Pocket', story-mapping their own versions and read them aloud to their peers and teachers.





This week at Cranleigh

This week, House Captain and Year 6 Ambassadors' elections took place. The successful candidates are named further on in our newsletter! Well done to everyone who put themselves forward.

School Council elections take place next week now we have received all entries.





Blocks are one of the most powerful learning tools for young children. From hand-sized Mini unit blocks to large Hollow blocks, this modular system of wooden blocks fosters the open-ended, creative, constructive play that is the cornerstone of early learning.



THIS WEEK AT CRANLEIGH

Reception have loved playing with their Community Playthings' blocks!

The resource, which enables open-ended play, led to discussions about 'lead piping,' 'chimney stacking' and 'tiles'! We loved Georgie's 'Sonic House,' too!



Meet the Teacher Sessions



Thank you to everyone who attended the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions this week and last.

We hope these gave you the opportunity to ask your child's teaching team any questions you may have and see their classroom environment.

If you weren't able to attend, and have any questions, please make an appointment to see your child's class teacher.

BETTER
TOGETHER



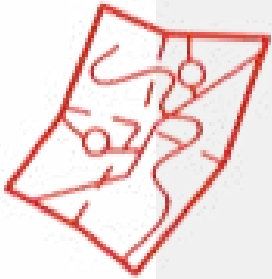
We will be emailing out the slides to all parents shortly.

If you need to email your child's class teacher, please do so on info@cranleighprimary.co.uk, and type your child's teacher in the subject header.



A REMINDER!

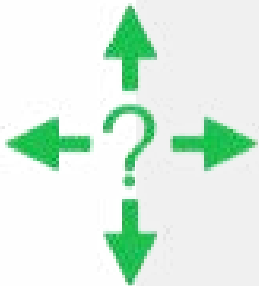
OUR NEW HOUSES



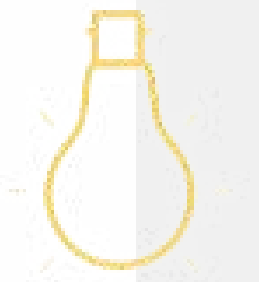
Adventurers



Discoverers



Explorers



Pioneers



Congratulations!

House Points

Pioneers

720

Explorers

710

Discoverers

705

Adventurers

775

CLASS	STAR OF THE WEEK	HEADTEACHER'S AWARD
Robins	Bonnieblue	Joseph
Sparrows	Renee	Frank
Owls	Phoebe	Anam
Swans	Adam	Liliana
Kingfishers	Aspen	Benjamin
Hérons	Amy	Chloe
Cranes	Elsie	Bonnie

Weekly Attendance Winners

RECEPTION

YEAR 4

YEAR 5



Year 6 Ambassadors

Elsie

Naz

Alex



CONGRATULATIONS

Hania

Annie

Amelia

Bonnie

Year 6 House Captains

ATTENDANCE DISCO!

Another reminder!
On **Thursday 24th
October**, the last day of
half-term, we will be
holding a DISCO for all
children who are
attending that day.

*Including a quieter session for
children who need it!*

***Make sure your child is at
school so they don't miss out!***



Safeguarding Contacts

If you have any concerns regarding a child, please ask to speak to one of our safeguarding team below straight away:

K. Pelazza: Headteacher / Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

J. Mills: SENDCo / Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL)

K. Meade: Assistant SENDCo / Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL)

T. Church: Thrive Practitioner / Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL)

The Good Shepherd Trust [contacts](#)

ONLINE CONTENT

10 tips to keep your children safe online

The internet has transformed the ability to access content. Many apps that children use are dependent on user-generated content which can encourage freedom of expression, imagination and creativity. However, due to the sheer volume uploaded every day, it can be difficult for platforms to regulate and moderate everything, which means that disturbing or distressing images, videos or audio clips can slip through the net. That's why we've created this guide to provide parents and carers with some useful tips on keeping children safe online.



MONITOR VIEWING HABITS

Whilst most apps have moderation tools, inappropriate content can still slip through the net.



CHECK ONLINE CONTENT

Understand what's being shared or what seems to be 'trending' at the moment.



CHECK AGE-RATINGS

Make sure they are old enough to use the app and meet the recommended age-limit.



CHANGE PRIVACY SETTINGS

Make accounts private and set content filters and parental controls where possible.



SPEND TIME ON THE APP

Get used to how apps work, what content is available and what your child likes to watch.



LET CHILDREN KNOW YOU'RE THERE

Ensure they know that there is support and advice available to them if they need it.



ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING

Talk about what people might post online and why some posts could cause distress.



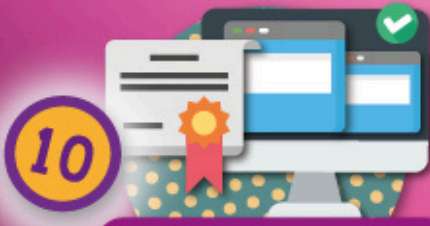
LEARN HOW TO REPORT & BLOCK

Always make sure that children know how to use the reporting tools on social media apps.



KEEP AN OPEN DIALOGUE

If a child sees distressing material online; listen to their concerns, empathise and offer reassurance.



SEEK FURTHER SUPPORT

If a child has been affected by something they've seen online, seek support from your school's safeguarding lead.



Collecting children from School

We have a duty to safeguard all children in our care. An important part of this is considering how to ensure that pupils arrive and leave the premises safely.

Our Policy

Collecting Siblings:

We will only release pupils in Key Stage Two (Years 3-6) to siblings who are in secondary school (Year 7 and above) if an adult is not able to collect.

Children in Years Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will only ever be released to an adult.

Walking home without an adult:

Only children in Year 6 can walk home without an adult and parents must email the school to give written permission beforehand.

After school clubs:

All children attending after school clubs must be collected by an adult regardless of their age.

In all cases, we will always consider the following factors before releasing a child:

- The maturity of all the children involved
- The length and nature of the journey home
- The behaviour of all children involved
- The relationship between the children collecting or being collected.

Please email the school on info@cranleighprimary.co.uk to provide any written permission required.



UK Parliament Visit

We are so pleased to announce that we are one of only a few schools who have been chosen to visit the UK Parliament during working hours!

The visit will take place next January.

We will announce arrangements for who will be offered a space in due course.



In the meantime, why not access the Parliament's children's magazine [HERE](#).

What a fantastic poem written by **Jax** in Year 5 using our Talk for Writing structure!!

5 things found in an astronaut's spaceship

A gloomy starry night,

Some iron-suited aliens,

A jar of space simbioat full to the top,

A gigantic moon made out of space cheese,

A vest made out of iron-suited SLIME

!!

-Jax



Community Notices



THE PFD GROUP
EST. 2001

FOOTBALL CLUB
3.30 TO 4.30PM

AUTUMN 2024 TERM DATES:

YEARS 1, 2 & 3:
MONDAYS: 9TH SEPTEMBER TO 9TH DECEMBER

YEARS 4, 5 & 6:
WEDNESDAYS: 11TH SEPTEMBER TO 11TH DECEMBER
£70 FOR 13 SESSIONS

Cranleigh C of E Primary School



THURSDAY
3RD
OCTOBER
2024

AGM MEETING

At Sayers Croft Outdoor Centre in the Burrow

At 4pm

Light refreshments provided

CHILDREN WELCOME

Cranleigh Primary FRIENDS ASSOCIATION
Charity Number 1159435

 We are a cashless school. Please make sure you've signed up to SCOPAY!

A reminder that children are no longer allowed to wear mufti on their birthdays!



have a
GREAT
WEEKEND