



Friday 20th December
2024

The **CRANLEIGH CHRONICLE**

HEADTEACHER'S EDITION

MESSAGES

As we come to the end of a busy and successful autumn term, we would like to thank parents, carers, and the wider school community for all their continued support. Your involvement has helped make this term a great success, and we are so proud of all that our children have achieved.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a joyful and peaceful Christmas, and a very happy New Year.

We look forward to welcoming the children back on **Tuesday 7th January**.

Mrs Kate Pelazza
Headteacher

Dates for your diary



1st day back after the Christmas holidays

Tuesday 7th January 2025

All clubs start

Tuesday 7th January 2025

Year 3 swimming lessons start

Thursday 9th January

All day: Year 4 trip to Sayers Croft

Thursday 9th January

Year 4 Youth Police Team workshop

Wednesday 15th January

2:30pm: Online Safety Workshop for parents in the hall

Wednesday 15th January

School Choir singing at the Primary Music Festival Come and Sing!

Wednesday 22nd January

Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 11th February

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



**Cranleigh C of E
Primary**

Come and Join Us!



JOB VACANCY

**School Admin Assistant at
Cranleigh CofE Primary School**

We are looking for a dedicated and efficient School Admin Assistant to join our busy school office. This role is crucial to ensuring smooth day-to-day operations and providing excellent service to our students, parents, and staff.

Role Details:

Hours: 33.75 hours per week, Monday to Friday, term time + 5 inset days

Salary: Competitive

Responsible to: School Business Manager and Head Teacher

Email info@cranleighprimary.co.uk
for more details





Faith

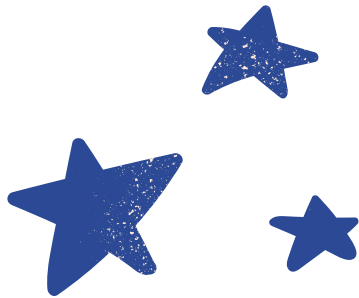
As Christmas approaches, we look forward to celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ, a time that reminds us of God's love, hope, and the promise of peace for all. As a Church school, we reflect on the true meaning of this season – the gift of Christ's birth and the light He brings into the world. Through our Carol Service, Choir recitals and nativity performances, we have together as a community to share in the joy, kindness, and hope that Christmas brings.

The first marble nativity scene, seen above, is often attributed to the renowned Italian sculptor Arnolfo di Cambio, who created it around 1291 for the Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore in Rome. This work marked one of the earliest representations of the nativity in stone, setting a precedent for later depictions in marble and other mediums. Di Cambio's craftsmanship combined religious devotion with artistic innovation, influencing nativity scenes across Europe.



We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our Local Committee member **Mike Tomlinson** from the Baptist Church for kindly volunteering his time to read with our Year 5 pupils this week.

The children thoroughly enjoyed his visit, and we are delighted that he will be joining us weekly from January to continue this wonderful support.



Thank You!



We would also like to express our gratitude to Christian Youth Enterprises (**CYE**) for their engaging and creative alternative production of the Christmas Story this week.





Congratulations to Lenny who wrote the prayer for our final celebration assembly of this term.

He recited them beautifully, too.



Dear God,

Please help us to enjoy this last day at school and the 5 days until Christmas.

Please help us have a great Christmas and a lovely Christmas dinner.

In Jesus' name,

Amen.





This week at Cranleigh

The Year 4 Carol Service on Wednesday was a wonderful event, and the children performed exceptionally well. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported them—it was greatly appreciated! And thank you to Erik from St. Nicolas Church for leading the Service.





This week at Cranleigh

Christmas Jumper Day on Monday was a fun and festive occasion, with pupils and staff showing off their colourful and creative jumpers. Thank you to everyone who took part and helped make the school feel extra Christmassy!!





Congratulations!

House Points

Pioneers

359



Explorers

342



Discoverers

362



Adventurers

364



Congratulations to the Explorers for earning the most House Points this term!

| CLASS | STAR OF THE WEEK | HEADTEACHER'S AWARD | House point winners |
|-------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Robins | Katie | Leon | Georgie, Katie, Joseph |
| Sparrows | Angela | Thomas-Joe | Sebastian, Xavier, Rehan |
| Owls | Bethel | Larosa | Madison, Penny, Hebron |
| Swans | Leo | Jack | Lukian, Adam, Rose |
| Kingfishers | Everyone! | Tyler | Scarlett, Cassie, Jessica |
| Hérons | Reggie | HUSNA | HUSNA, Emily, Bella |
| Cranes | Kayden | Faith | Alex, Naz, Savannah |

Weekly Attendance Winners

RECEPTION

YEAR 4

YEAR 5





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](#)

safeguarding during the holidays

WHO TO CONTACT

If you have any concerns regarding a child during the break, please contact the following:

999 if you believe a child is at immediate risk of harm.

C-SPA (Surrey's Children's Services), Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm:

- Phone: 0300 470 9100
- Email: cspa@surreycc.gov.uk

C-SPA Emergency Duty Team (evenings, weekends and bank holidays):

- Phone: 01483 517898
- Email: edt.ssd@surreycc.gov.uk



ATTENDANCE

Penalty Notices

Penalty Notices (fines) can be issued to each parent liable for an attendance offence.

Under Section 576 of the Education Act 1996 a 'parent' includes any person who is not a parent of the child but who has parental responsibility, or who has care of the child.

Penalty Notices can be used where the pupil's absence has not been authorised by the school and there are at least 10 unauthorised absences in a 10 school week period (these absences do not have to be consecutive).

The amount payable under a Penalty Notice (PN) is as follows per parent, per child

| Absence Category | 0 - 21 Days | 22 -28 Days | More than 28 Days |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| First Absence since 19 August 2024 | £80 | £160 | Prosecution |
| Second Absence (within 3 years of first Penalty Issue date) | £160 | £160 | Prosecution |
| Third Absence (within 3 years of first Penalty Issue date) | N/A | N/A | Prosecution |

If you would like any support with getting your child into school and on time, please make an appointment to see Mrs Pelazza.

ATTENDANCE

Informing School of Absences

A reminder to parents/carers to please call the school office if your child will not be attending school between 8:30-9am.

This helps us ensure all absences are accounted for and keeps our records up to date.

Recently, it has been taking up to an hour to follow up on unreported absences, so your cooperation in notifying us promptly is greatly appreciated.

Our school attendance expectations can be found [HERE](#).

Please also ensure the correct evidence is provided (please see below). If we do not receive this, a fine may be issued.

Absence reporting procedures

If your child is absent as a result of illness, please phone us **between 8:30-9am** on 01483 273286 on the first day of absence, and each subsequent day, to let us know the reason.

Within 5 working days of your child's return following illness, the below will be required in order to authorise their absence due to illness:

- A signed/stamped letter, appointment card, text or email dated to the time of any GP/nurse appointment
- A receipt showing any medication bought and/or a dated prescription medication label

If your child is absent due to a medical or dental appointment, you must present one of the following either before or after (within 5 working days) their absence:

- A signed/stamped letter, appointment card, text or email dated to the time of the medical/dental appointment

To request leave of absence during term time, please complete the below Form:

[Leave of Absence Request Application Form](#)

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SETTING UP NEW DEVICES FOR CHILDREN

At Christmas, millions of lucky children will be excitedly ripping the wrapping off new phones, tablets, computers or consoles. However, in the rush to let young ones enjoy their shiny gadgets, many parents neglect to set these devices up safely – increasing the chances of children going online and stumbling across adult content, making expensive downloads or installing unsuitable apps. A little time configuring the device properly can save a lot of anguish later. Here are our top tips to ensure that a dream gift on Christmas morning doesn't turn into a nightmare by New Year.

PASSCODES FOR IPHONE/IPAD

If your child's getting their own iPhone or iPad, you can set parental controls that make it difficult for them to access inappropriate content or download expensive apps. Once the device is set up, go to the Settings app and tap Screen Time, then select Use Screen Time Passcode and enter a passcode. Keep it to yourself so your child can't switch the protection off.

SCREEN TIME SETTINGS ON IPHONE/IPAD

Once you've set a Screen Time Passcode, you can adjust various safety settings. You could, for example, only allow communication with people from the Contacts app, place restrictions on App Store purchases and apply age limits to movies, music and web content. There are many more protective options available within the Screen Time settings section.

FAMILY LINK FOR ANDROID

Parents can manage Android phones and tablets, as well as Google Chromebooks, through Google's Family Link app. This gives your child some independence (and their own Google account) but lets parents monitor which apps are being used, set limits on content and ensure that parental permission is required to install apps. Look for Family Link in the Google Play Store.

ADD A CHILD TO FAMILY LINK

The easiest way to add a child's device to Family Link is to set it up with its own Google account. It's a good idea to create this before they use their new phone, tablet or Chromebook. Once they're logged in, open the Family Link app on your phone, press '+' in the top right and add a new family member using their Google account details. Then follow the on-screen instructions.

FAMILY SHARING ON A MAC

Families using a Mac get similar screen time options to iPhone and iPad users. Again, if you're setting up a Mac for a child, make yourself the main admin and add them as a user. This is handled through Apple's Family Sharing service, which not only allows you to put controls on child accounts but share apps and other purchases with them too. Search 'family sharing' at <https://support.apple.com>.

PLAYSTATION PARENTAL CONTROLS

With parental controls for the PS5, you'll need a PlayStation Network account (as the 'family manager') and the child will need their own account, which they should sign in with on the console. This all needs to be set up in advance, so you might want to do it before the big day. Go to PlayStation.com and search 'family account' for instructions.

DISCUSS IT WITH YOUR CHILD

If you're planning to implement any kind of restriction or protection settings on your child's new device, we'd recommend having a discussion with your young one first about what these controls do, and what they are for. If you try to impose parental controls surreptitiously or with no advance warning, don't be surprised if your child tries to find a way around them.

SET AN ADMIN ON PCS

On Windows PCs and laptops, it's important not to let your child share a general user account or be the main admin on the device. If you're booting up a new family PC or a child's own device, set it up using your own account details and you'll become the admin by default. Then set up children with their own separate account: Settings > Accounts > Family & Other Users > Add Other User.

SET WINDOWS LIMITS

Once your child's account has been created, a parent admin can go back into the Family & Other Users menu and apply limits to it. These include restricting screen time, the type of games and apps that can be installed, web filters and more. Microsoft also includes reporting tools which, for example, can email you with a weekly summary of your child's activity on the device.

TREAT AN XBOX LIKE A PC

The same control settings you use for a PC can be used to apply parental controls on an Xbox. Again, once your child is signed into the Xbox with their own account, you can then monitor and regulate their activity from a PC or web browser. Microsoft's dashboard allows you to manage voice communication through the console: so you can limit who can contact your child, for example.

INSTALL XBOX FAMILY SETTINGS

If you don't have a PC, but your child does have an Xbox, it might be easier to use the Xbox Family Settings app for iPhone or Android. Here, you can restrict console screen time (particularly handy if the console is in a bedroom), restrict communication and monitor the types of game being played. There's also a feature where you can allocate spending money for games or in-game purchases.

STAY VIGILANT

It's important to remember that none of these methods is 100% foolproof. Nobody will ever invent flawless filters or parental controls – not least because what's unacceptable to some parents is perfectly acceptable to others. So although devices' parental controls will help to keep your child safe online, they work best side by side with good old-fashioned parental vigilance.

Meet Our Expert

Barry Collins has been a technology journalist and editor for more than 20 years, working for titles such as the *Sunday Times*, *Which?*, *PC Pro* and *Computeractive*. He's appeared regularly as a technology pundit on television and radio, including on *Newsnight*, *Radio 5 Live* and *ITV News at Ten*. He has two children and writes regularly about internet safety issues.



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EXPERT PARENT WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

WHERE: The Bandroom, Village Way, Cranleigh, GU6 8JW

WHEN: Monday 27th January 2025

9:30 AM - 2:15 PM

FREE

Join our free workshop and learn how to get the best outcomes for your child. The Expert Parent Programme is unique in that it maps out the current health system specifically to the needs of children and young people with special needs or disabilities (diagnosed or undiagnosed). Breakfast refreshments and lunch will be provided.



"I found the course so invaluable and insightful, thank you for organising"

"Last Friday's session was so helpful thank you and thank you for your kindness. So much to follow up on from that day"



Scan to book your place

This workshop is written and delivered by parent trainers with lived-experience.

Gail & Gráinne have been delivering this workshop together to parents & carers for over 5 years.

COUNCIL FOR DISABLED CHILDREN



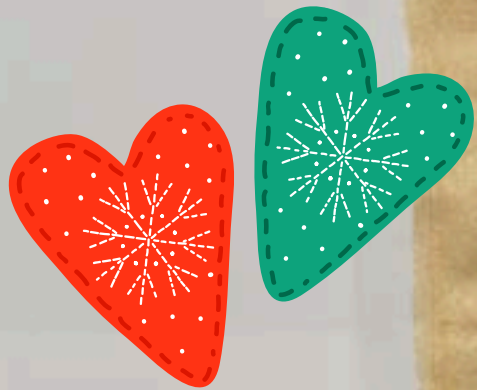
Email thehub@disability-challengers.org or call 01483 961962

To Miss pelazza



To Miss Blazza

thanks for helping
me through
evrething



From



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*Wishing you all a very merry
Christmas and a happy new year.*

See you in 2025!

