



# Cranbrook Primary School Newsletter

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## Thought of the week

"Kindness in words creates confidence. Kindness in thinking creates profoundness and kindness in giving creates love."  
(Lao Tzu)

**Message from the Headteacher:** Thank you so much for your loyal and generous support in all our fundraising activities. It is a joy to be able to enrich the children's school experience that little bit more with your support.

Have a lovely rest of the week!

**National Anti-Bullying Week – 13<sup>th</sup> November to 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023:** Cranbrook Primary is celebrating **Anti-Bullying Week** in a positive way, with this year's theme being 'Make a Noise about Bullying'.

At school children have attended an assembly on the Anti-Bullying theme and are participating in lessons regarding the theme in class. We welcome your support in addressing a very important aspect around our children's safety and well-being.

What is bullying?

The Anti-bullying Alliance **defines bullying** as the repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power.

**Reception School Applications for September 2024:** If you have not already done so please complete your primary school application form online by logging on to [www.redbridge.gov.uk/eAdmissions](http://www.redbridge.gov.uk/eAdmissions)

An online tutorial explaining how to complete your application form can be accessed by visiting: [www.eadmissions.gov.uk](http://www.eadmissions.gov.uk)

Please note that proof of residency must be submitted with your application.

Proof of residency includes your Council tax reference number along with one other document from the following list: A drivers licence, TV licence, rent book, tenancy agreement or utility bill dated within the last 3 months (e.g. electricity, gas, water, broadband contract, or landline phone).

An additional SIF form must be completed if applying for a faith school or own admission authority school.

If your child has an EHC plan you will need to speak to the school Sendco or contact the Redbridge SEN team via email at: [senteam@redbridge.gov.uk](mailto:senteam@redbridge.gov.uk)

Further information can be found on the school website.

## Key Dates

### Term Dates for 2023-2024

#### Autumn Term:

Monday 4th September-Wednesday  
20th December 2023

#### Half term break:

Monday 23rd October-Friday  
27th October 2023

#### Christmas Holidays:

21<sup>st</sup> December-3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024

#### Spring Term 2024:

Thursday 4th January Thursday 28th  
March 2024

#### Half term break:

Monday 19th February-  
Friday 23rd February 2024

#### Summer Term 2024:

Monday 15th April- to  
Tuesday 23rd July 2024

#### Half term break:

Monday 27th May to Friday  
31st May 2024

#### Inset Days 2023-2024:

26th February 2024  
3rd June 2024

**School will be closed on Inset  
days**

**Years Nursery- Year 2-  
Night Owl Company visit-  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November  
2023**

Years Nursery-Year 2 have an exciting visit from the Night Owl Company this Thursday 16th November. Pictures will be available to purchase for £10 of your child holding an Owl. More information will be provided by the class teachers.



**Scholastic Book Fair Competition winners!**

We would like to issue huge congratulations to Shehzeen in 6 Blue and Aleena in 4 Red for their fabulous book reviews. They have each won themselves £5 vouchers to use at the school book fair. In addition, Ismaeel in 6 Red, Airah in 6 Yellow and Sarina in 1 Red each won a £5 voucher for their efforts during our school readathon! Well done to our deserved winners.

**Lost Property**

We will always do our best to reunite pupils with their lost possessions. However, it would help if you could put your child's name and class on each item of clothing, book bags etc.

If your child has lost an item of clothing in school, please take a look at the **Lost Property Tubs**, which are located in the school playground by the green sheds.



**Glow Day –Non -uniform Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023:** As the weather is now changing and the days are getting darker, we will be having a non-uniform "**Glow Day**", which will take place on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023**. Please encourage your children to wear bright clothes. There is no cost for this event. We simply want to promote safety in the dark.

**Give the gift of a book!**

As part of our ongoing development of year group libraries, we are now working on improving the selection of books available to our children. If you would like to donate a book to our children, we have created a small wish list for each year group of texts that will engage, excite and challenge our readers. If you add a note with your/your child's name, we will add a donation bookplate with your name inside the front cover, so children can see who has supported them in their reading.

ARP and Hub:

<https://amzn.eu/ioYjL2z>

Nursery:

<https://amzn.eu/3SOJ2Hu>

Reception:

<https://amzn.eu/5FPwT2T>

Y1: <https://amzn.eu/0xLKUjO>

Y2: <https://amzn.eu/f0yUH2o>

Y3:

<https://amzn.eu/hQoDGKT>

Y4:

<https://amzn.eu/3zQAk0X>

Y5: <https://amzn.eu/1MJ8it4>

Y6: <https://amzn.eu/hAHicqk>

We thank you all for your continued support.

**Cranbrook Coats for Kids Scheme:**

Cranbrook Primary School have launched a new initiative called 'Cranbrook Coats for Kids'. This is an initiative that was trialled last autumn with considerable success. This will be an annual programme to provide practical support to families who may need it during the autumn term.

As the cold weather approaches, we would like to ensure that all of our pupils have a winter coat to wear to school.

The Cranbrook Coats for Kids Scheme aims to provide a winter coat for pupils who attend Cranbrook School whose parents do not have the funds to purchase one.

The coats will be new and of a satisfactory school standard.

We would therefore like to invite parents, carers, staff or members of the local community who are in a position to do so to make a small monetary donation.

As a school we can then purchase winter coats for those children whose family are unable to purchase one.

The Cranbrook Coats for Kids Scheme is a wonderful way to support our local community and to make a huge difference to the lives of many.

Please contact Beverley Boothe or the school office on 0208 518 2562 if you wish to make a donation.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support.



**Flu Vaccinations**

**Flu Vaccinations on  
Monday 27th November**

**2023:** We have the

following dates for the flu vaccination which will take place on **Friday 10th November and Monday 27th November 2023** for all the children from Reception through to year 6. Please find the link below for the E-consent form. Please note that the portal shuts 2 days before the session. <https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/redbridge>

If you have any questions please contact the Flu vaccination team on 0203 343 2400



# Attendance Winners

Well done to Year 5 Yellow for achieving 98.9% attendance this week!

Remember: Good attendance= good progress

**Gold Awards:**  
Yusra.A & Fabian.F 6Y

**Star of  
the ARP**  
**Ethan. A**



## Achievement Awards for Art & DT:

Name	Class
Muhammad. Musa	1R
Amina. M	1Y
Erica. C	1G
Jannah. M	1B
Sardi. N	2R
Harry. S	2Y
Chimeremeze. A	2G
Zakaria. K	2B
Minha. F	3R
Adiyan. K	3Y
Mahdi. M	3G
Humza. A	3B
Haaniya. S	4R
Kayla. U	4Y
Shuaib. H	4G
Aasiyah. S	4B
Ekam. S	5R
Anaya. R	5Y
Aadam. K	5G
Sarah. U	5B
Marwa. N	6R
Juniar. K	6Y
Zaynah. A	6G
Shehzeen. A	6B

**Well done everyone!**

### **Palestine and Israel Conflict**

The increased time and level of violence continues to impact the lives of Palestinians and Israelis. Graphic scenes of death and destruction are on television and social media. During this extremely difficult time, I ask that we continue to support humanitarian efforts to help. Discussions around the conflict can be very emotionally charged and heart-breaking. I ask that you please keep in mind that our children listen to and pick up conversations and emotions and can easily internalise what they hear and see. This may be difficult for them to understand (more so for our very young children). Please reassure them about their safety and give them time to talk about what they understand and feel. Older children may have stronger views and it is essential that you allow them to voice their views at home and assist with any misinformation or misconceptions. Please discourage children from talking about which 'side' you are on. We hold the stance that we are on the side of humanity and that war and violence are terrible. We will support your child should you feel that there is a need and as always we will support our families.

### **World Science Day-Friday 24<sup>th</sup> of November 2023**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023 is World Science Day and this year's theme is Trust in Science. Trust in science is vital for developing evidence-based solutions to global challenges and finding cures to diseases to save lives. Have a chat with your family about how we could improve our trust in science.

### **CFA Movie Night-Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

The CFA Movie Night will take place on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November**. Movie Night is a fun after school event for pupils from Reception – Year 6. Pupils will watch an age-appropriate movie in their year groups, have a slice of pizza, chips and a drink for a cost of **£6.50** per pupil. An alternative meal will be provided for pupils with allergies and a concession may apply for families with 3 or more children. (Concessions will be made at the discretion of the head teacher). A Movie Night letter was sent out via School Ping last week and payments should be made electronically via School Ping under payments. The deadline for payments is **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**. Please note that all payments are non-refundable. For further information please contact the school office or Beverley Boothe on 0208 518 2562. Please note, **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils should be collected at 4.30pm and Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 pupils should be collected at 4.45pm prompt. Please note that all Year 6 pupils who normally walk home alone will need to be collected by an adult at 4.45pm. Thank you.**



### **Children In Need -17th November 2023, Non Uniform Day**

Children are invited to come in **non- uniform on Friday 17th November 2023, wearing spotty clothes**, for a very worthy cause, "**Children In Need**". Please make a small voluntary donation of **£1** towards our fund raising. We are aiming for **£900** in total as a school community.



### **Celebrating Cultural Connections-Celebrating diversity across our school: Liu Shuai, 1989 – Present**

Liu Shuai mainly employs black and colored ink and uses both the two main techniques in traditional Chinese painting-Shui Mo, freehand or watercolor or brush painting, and Gong Bi, meticulous or court-style painting.

Shuai suffers from cerebral palsy and has been confined to a wheelchair since his childhood. Despite many adversities of life, Shuai has never yielded to it. Being not able to attend school, he asked his mother to borrow textbooks to teach him to read. Then he got a dictionary and started teaching himself. At 10, Shuai started painting when one day his father picked up a crayon in the street and brought it back home. "I soon lost myself in the pleasure of painting and found it a way to express my inner world," Shuai said in an interview.