

Newsletter

Cranford Primary School

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Message from the Head Teacher

I am writing to invite you all to this year's Christmas Fair, which will take place on Friday 12th December between 4pm and 6pm. We have planned delicious food, thirst-quenching drinks, fun stalls, fairground rides, a range of festive entertainment, the return of the Great Cranford Bake Off and of course, Father Christmas will be there too! There will be an entrance fee of £1.00 for adults and children will be able to enter for free if accompanied by an adult. Entrance will be on the KS2 side of the school.

In preparation for the fair, we are having a non-uniform day for pupils on Monday 8th December. In exchange for this we are asking every parent for a small voluntary donation of a range of different items which will support our fundraising efforts:

Year Group	Requested donation
Nursery	Boxes of sweets or chocolates
Reception	A small, inexpensive unwrapped present for a girl or a boy
Year 1	Boxes of sweets or chocolates
Year 2	Gingerbread men and cakes
Year 3	A small, inexpensive unwrapped present for a girl or a boy
Year 4	Box of sweets or chocolates
Year 5	Drinks – including cans, small cartons & water bottles
Year 6	Gingerbread men and cakes

We will also be running a festive book stall this year, if you have any children's books which are in good condition please bring these in for the fair.

Tickets for the raffle are now available to purchase from the school office and from Mrs Borowska in the morning at the KS1 door. Tickets cost £1 a strip. Prizes include a signed Brentford Football Club shirt, £20 Amazon voucher, back massage vouchers, a Lindt Hamper, day passes for Hobbledown Heath, Airport Bowl, Grippid, Snakes and Ladders, a Sonic Hamper and Pamper Hamper and a prize to 'Be the Headteacher for the Day'

Please do [complete the parent survey](#) and provide your feedback. This survey will close today!

Mrs Jasmeen Chana, Headteacher

“The only way to have a friend is to be one.”

**EARLY YEARS
ATTENDANCE
WINNERS
BLUE CLASS**

**KS1
ATTENDANCE
WINNERS
PURPLE CLASS**

**KS2
ATTENDANCE
WINNERS
SIENNA CLASS**

Congratulations to the following children who were awarded a merit this week:

Munira (4Indigo), Gurshan (4Indigo), Vania (5Sienna), Toby (5Sienna), Anna Rose (3Ruby), Kaira (3Aqua), Caleb (3Aqua), Derica (3Ruby), Brylee (6Saffron), Preet (6Saffron), Akshata (5Emerald), Simardeep (5Emerald), Valonia (5Emerald), Ayush (3Ruby), Jazzlyn (6Amber), Anaya (6Amber), Mya (5Crimson), Saakhipreet (6Ebony), Gabriel (6Ebony), Rakeb (2Gold), Alexia (2Gold), Dina (4Topaz), Reuel (5Crimson), Samraj (RBlue), Viyon (3Lilac), Ayrah (3Lilac), Muskan (4Scarlet), Vladyslav (4Scarlet), Nawal (6Magenta), Aarush (6Magenta), Isabella (2Yellow), Shiwani (2Yellow), Igor (2Purple), Vional (2Purple), Anisa (RRed), Mekayla (RPink), Tishroop (RPink), Vayd (RRed), Sulaiman (1Green), Hassan (1Green), Gunjot (1Lime), Abdulrahmaan (1Lime), Abdirahman (1Violet), Jenaiah (1Violet)



Bug Club - this week's top readers are:

Purple Class

Ruby Class

Sienna Class

Congratulations!



Bug Club



The KS1 children took part in a fantastic skills competition and did incredibly well, finishing **3rd out of 25 teams**. They were just **2 points behind second place** and **9 points behind first**, showing how impressively they performed throughout the event. It was a brilliant achievement and everyone should be very proud!

The children had a fantastic time and represented the school brilliantly.



'I enjoyed the hockey practise because I love hockey. When it was the end of lunch we went to the other side and did rugby. We won 3rd place. It was fun inside the athletics centre'. Zayan

Outstanding attendance and punctuality are key to your child's learning and ensure that the best possible progress and attainment levels are achieved.

The school is under strict obligation to follow central government and local government guidance in relation to an absence from school. Therefore we do not allow children to take any time off during term-time. There are 13 weeks of non-school time throughout the year and this is the time during which holidays must be taken. If you have older children who attend secondary school you should remember to check their term dates before you book a holiday as term dates do not always coincide. Please note any absences occurring either side of school holidays will require medical proof of illness, otherwise the absence will be marked as unauthorised.

Why not contact your doctor, optician and dentist to book check ups during the Christmas break now? All appointments should be booked out of school hours where possible. If taking your child out of school for an appointment, evidence will be required in advance of the appointment.

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Year 6 students thoroughly enjoyed their talk from William from TFL. They are now eagerly looking forward to travelling independently with their Oyster cards when they turn 11!

I enjoyed it when my friends and I went up to answer questions about the zip card (11-15). I have learnt that you can use a zip oyster card for five years!

Kelsie-Mae
6 Ebony



I really enjoyed finding out if you should take public transport or walk home from school.

Kim
6 Amber

I enjoyed the TfL workshop because I got to learn about the trains and how you can call staff in an emergency happens.

Bartosz
6 Saffron

I really enjoyed the TfL workshop as I found it really fun and how there are lots of different modes of transport.

Qusay
6 Magenta



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The return of the Great Cranford Bake-Off!

The Great Cranford Christmas Bake Off competition is back for the Christmas Fair.

We encourage all children to participate and show off their baking skills. Parents are encouraged to help and join in as well.

To enter the competition you need to bake a cake and bring it to school on Friday 12th December clearly labelled with your child's name, their class and the name of the cake. You will understand that we have to be mindful of allergies, therefore all ingredients must be clearly listed. It would be helpful if the cake be placed on a disposable tray or cake board - if not please write your child's name and class on your cake board and we will do our best to return it to you.

The cakes need to be in school by 11:00am on 12th December ready to be judged by our panel of judges which will include Mrs Chana, Mrs Edet (our resident cake expert) and Mrs Nayyar (our school cook). Please bring the cakes to the KS2 Hall at morning drop off or to the main school office.

During the Christmas Fair your cakes will be sold as part of the cake stall.

The winner will receive a very special prize which will be announced at the Christmas Fair and they will be made famous in the Cranford Primary School Newsletter.

Good luck Bakers!



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PARENT VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED!

On **9th January 2026** we will be holding a Cultural Day, where our children will be learning about lots of different countries across the world and their cultures. We would love for some of our parents to share information about their own country at our mini 'international cultural market' throughout the morning on the day. If you are interested in volunteering, please speak to Mrs Wathudura who will give you more information.

Volunteers will be allocated a table within the school hall, where they will be able to display information, the flag, some sample foods (nut-free), play some cultural music relating to their chosen country and more!



The children will be enjoying their delicious Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 17th December 2025. The menu is now live on ParentPay so please can you log on to your Parent Pay account to make a selection for your child.

Please only make a selection for the main option (meat or veg dish), desserts can be selected on the day and do not need to be pre-booked.

As a gentle reminder, please continue to book your child's lunch on parent pay. The current menu will run up until Easter, so bookings for lunches can be made all the way up until then.

Christmas LUNCH
WEDNESDAY 17TH DECEMBER

Roast Turkey
or
North Pole Veggie Puff

Chicken or Veg Chipolata,
Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Peas,
Brussel Sprouts, Sage & Onion
Stuffing, & Gravy

Chocolate Christmas
Treat

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Dates for your Diary

8th December - Mufti Day

8th December - 9.15am Year 1 Carol Concert

8th December - 2.30pm Year 2 Carol Concert

9th December - 9.30am Nursery am Carol Concert

9th December - 2.30pm Reception Nativity

10th December - 9.30am Reception Nativity

10th December - 2.30pm Nursery pm Carol Concert

11th December - 9.30am Y4 Carol Concert and 3pm Year 3 Carol Concert

12th December - 9.15am Year 5 Carol Concert

12th December - Christmas Fair and Christmas Jumper Day

15th December - 9.15am Year 6 Carol Concert

19th December - Last day of school - pick up after lunch

22nd December - Friday 2nd January - Christmas Holidays

5th January - Back to school

Apply for a new reception place at primary school

You can apply for a new reception primary school place for September 2026 if your child was born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022.

[Applications are now open](#) and the application deadline is midnight on Thursday 15 January 2026.

If we receive your application after the deadline, it will be classed as late and only considered after all on-time applications have been processed.



Diary Dates

Music is an important part of school life as it enhances children's moral and spiritual capabilities. Each week we will be sharing songs from the model music curriculum, which is used in our music teaching at Cranford. We would encourage and welcome your support by playing the music at home and discuss with your child what instruments they could hear, did they enjoy the music and how it made them feel.

This week's song: Kum ba yah

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/articles/znv9cqt>

