

# Newsletter

Cranford Primary School

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## Message from the Head Teacher

You will have seen that I forwarded a message from our local police advising primary parents how to keep their children safe in an area which is seeing increasing recent tensions and escalating incidents of violence involving young people. This behaviour places young people at serious risk of harm. While this behaviour is being demonstrated by children at secondary schools in the area, our priority is the safety and wellbeing of every child. Even here, at Cranford Primary School we have been made aware of anti-social behaviour displayed by our children after school. I would like parents to ensure that their children behave properly after school. Climbing on our neighbour's walls, running into their drive ways and ringing doorbells is not acceptable behaviour. We have asked our neighbours to report such instances to us, along with doorbell camera footage, and we will take strong action against any children displaying anti-social behaviours. We kindly ask parents and carers to follow the police advice:

- Ensure children are collected promptly where possible
- Remind children to come straight home after school
- Supervise use of mobile phones, messaging apps and online gaming platforms
- Report any concerns or information to the school or local police

Thank you to all of the parents who attended the Book Fair this week. It was lovely to see so many parents and children choosing books together. If you have not yet had a chance to visit the Book Fair, it will be open after school today.

We are looking forward to our World Book Day celebrations which take place next Thursday. As always, children are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character. There is no need to buy new outfits – get creative with clothes you already have at home! If your child has a book featuring their chosen character, they are welcome to bring it along to share with their friends.

One of the highlights of the day is always building cosy book dens. Children are invited to bring pillows, blankets, or teddies to make their dens extra special.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

**Jasmeen Chana, Headteacher**

*“Have patience with everything, but first of all with yourself.”*

**EARLY YEARS  
ATTENDANCE  
WINNERS  
BLUE CLASS**

**KS1  
ATTENDANCE  
WINNERS  
VIOLET CLASS**

**KS2  
ATTENDANCE  
WINNERS  
INDIGO CLASS**

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

Natan (1Lime), Ayla (1Lime), Amir (6Saffron), Nancy (6Saffron), Jayden (6Amber), Lucas-Andrei (6Amber), Kelsie-Mae (6Ebony), Dorian (6Ebony), Alyssa (5Crimson), Muhammad (5Crimson), Xylon (3Lilac), Zainab (3Lilac), Osman (5Emerald), Wissam (5Emerald), Amina (5Sienna), Rabi (5Sienna), Muhammad (3Lilac), Devashree (3Aqua), Luanna (3Aqua), Saim (3Ruby), Ayush (3Ruby), Nikos (3Ruby), Scott (4Indigo), Alise (4Scarlet), Inayah (4Indigo), Samarth (1Green), Celeste (1Green), Patrick (6Magenta), Iris (6Magenta), Chelcia (2Yellow), Slawin (2Yellow), Insia (2Purple), Heavenlie (2Purple)



**Bug Club**

**Bug Club - this week's top readers are:**

Lime Class

Topaz Class

Magenta Class

**Congratulations!**



# The Day My Toys Came Alive Spring Term Writing Competition 2026



## How to enter:

- Look at the task for your year group.
  - Complete the task.
- Hand in to Miss Hussaini or Miss Saddington by Friday 3rd April 2026.

## Why enter:

- To improve your writing.
- To have your work published in our school book
  - To receive a certificate
- To be in with a chance to win a prize.



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# CREATIVE WRITING workshop



EVERY TUESDAY FROM 3RD MARCH – 24TH MARCH 2026



3:40PM – 4:20PM



CPS LIBRARY

BE  
CREATIVE

CHILDREN WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE:

- CREATING IMAGINATIVE CHARACTERS
- WRITING THEIR OWN FUN STORIES
- EXPLORING MAGICAL SETTINGS
- WRITING NATURE POEMS
- INVENTING A MYSTERY BOX STORY
- DESIGNING THEIR OWN BOOKMARKS
- ...AND MANY MORE FUN ACTIVITIES!



GET READY TO SHINE

ALL WORK WILL BE CELEBRATED IN OUR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER!

SIGN UP NOW VIA GOOGLE FORM!

LEARNING  
EVERYDAY



[Google Form](#)

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# ROAD SAFETY

## for School Drop-Off and Pick-Up



**Let's work  
together to keep  
our children safe.**

Every child deserves a safe journey to and from school. By driving responsibly, you help reduce congestion, improve safety, and protect the environment around your school.

### Guidelines for parents:

Please follow these simple steps to make school drop-off and pick-up safer for everyone:



- Only drive to school when necessary and walk or cycle part of the journey whenever possible.
- Never allow your child to exit the vehicle onto the road where they could be exposed to traffic and other dangers.
- Do not make U-turns near school gates or crossings as they put children at serious risk.
- Never park on school zigzag lines or double yellow lines.
- Do not block driveways, pavements, or resident bays.
- Avoid leaving your engine running while parked.
- Keep to the speed limit and drive slowly near the school.
- Always watch out for children walking, scooting, or cycling.
- Set a good example for your child and others.



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CARE / GETTING  
THERE**

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## PE arrangements at Cranford Primary School – Spring 2 2026

On the days your child does PE they must come to school wearing their P.E kit. They will stay in their P.E kit for the whole day. Please find below the days that your child will be required to wear their PE kit.

Year Group	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Opal and Early Years</b>	Nursery and Rainbow - Fundamentals	Opal – PE Nursery and Rainbow – PE Red - Gymnastics	Pink and Blue – Gymnastics		
<b>Year 1</b>	Lime and Green – Net and Wall	Green – Team Building		Violet – Net and Wall	Violet and Lime – Team Building
<b>Year 2</b>	Yellow – Target Games	Gold – Net and Wall	Purple and Yellow – Net and Wall	Purple and Gold – Target Games	
<b>Year 3</b>	Lilac and Ruby –Outdoor Adventure Activities	Lilac and Aqua – Basketball	Ruby - Basketball		Aqua - Outdoor Adventure Activities
<b>Year 4</b>	Topaz - Dodgeball		Scarlet and Indigo - Dodgeball	Topaz, Indigo and Scarlet – Outdoor Adventure Activities	
<b>Year 5</b>	Emerald and Crimson – Dance	Sienna – Play Leader Training			Emerald and Crimson - Outdoor Adventure Activities Sienna - Dance
<b>Year 6</b>				Magenta, Ebony, Amber and Saffron – Gymnastics and Outdoor Adventure Activities	Magenta, Ebony, Saffron and Amber – Gymnastics and Outdoor Adventure Activities

**New timetable starting from Monday  
23<sup>rd</sup> February**

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# Measles update

## Please read this important reminder

Measles is one of the most highly infectious diseases and spreads rapidly among those who are unvaccinated. It is a particularly nasty disease for any child and sadly for some children can be serious. The first symptoms of measles include a high temperature, rash, runny or blocked nose, sneezing, coughing and red, watery eyes.

If your child has a rash and you suspect it is measles, contact your GP and keep them out of school for at least four days from when the rash first appears. Please check that your child has had both doses of the MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) vaccine. Measles can cause serious complications. Because it spreads so quickly, unvaccinated children are particularly at risk.

Two doses of the [MMR vaccine](#) give **99% protection** and are the best way to keep your child safe. Please check your red book to see if your child has had their MMR vaccination. It is never too late to catch up. The MMR vaccine is free on the NHS, whatever your age. If anyone has missed one or both doses of the MMRV or MMR vaccine, contact your GP practice to book an appointment.



It can make children seriously unwell.

Vaccination is the best protection.



### After-School Clubs for your children

There are still space on some of our after school clubs for the remainder of the Spring Term. Fitness, health and creativity are all integral parts of the curriculum. Our after-school clubs programme encourages children to develop skills in a variety of sports and to broaden their range of experiences and interests as well as helping parents to balance work and family commitments. Clubs include Gardening, Football, Art and Craft, Martial Arts and Board Games club. Please book online using Parent Pay. Places are filling up fast.

Day	Clubs	Sessions	Cost
Monday	Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Gymnastics	5	£20
	Year 3 & Year 4 Football	5	£20
Tuesday	Year 3 to Year 6 Gymnastics	4	£16
Wednesday	Year 1 to Year 6 Dance	5	£20
Thursday	Reception to Year 6 Dodgeball	4	£16
Friday	Year 5 & Year 6 Football	5	£20
	Year 1 to Year 6 Basketball	5	£20

Clubs start on **Monday 5th January 2026** and run until **Friday 27th March 2026**. Please refer to the **Spring Term 2025-2026 After School Club Dates** list for all Club dates and any dates where Clubs will not be running due to alternative school events.

Clubs run from the end of the school day until 4:15pm for Key Stage 1 Clubs, until 4:25pm for KS2 Clubs and until 4:20 for mixed (Yr1-6) Key Stage Clubs. Please collect your child from the Berkeley Avenue entrance.

Please note, if the Club falls on a day when your child does not have PE, then they will need to bring their PE Kit to change into at their Club. Children should also bring a drink and a healthy snack for refreshment.

## Dates for your Diary

5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day

10<sup>th</sup> March and 12<sup>th</sup> March -  
Parents Evening

18<sup>th</sup> March - Year 3 Eid  
Assembly

26<sup>th</sup> March - Year 4 Easter  
Assembly

30<sup>th</sup> March - 10<sup>th</sup> April -  
Easter Holidays

13<sup>th</sup> April - Back to School



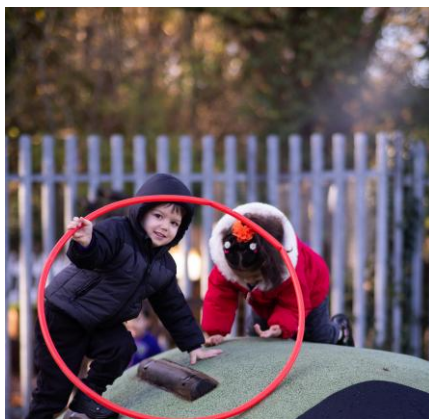
## Apply for a place at our School Nursery

Applications are now open for our school Nursery September intake, and we would love to welcome your child to our nurturing early years setting.

Our Nursery was praised by Ofsted who said that 'children in the early years develop their speaking and listening well. The curriculum supports them to build on what they know and can do'.

If you, or a friend or member of your family, has a child born between 1st September and 31st August 2023 please make your application for a FREE place now. Application forms are available from the school office.

If you want to come and look around our lovely Nursery we are holding open days every Wednesday between now and the closing date for applications which is 6th March. This is a great opportunity to look around, meet our team, and see our Nursery in action. If you want to book a tour please contact [the office](#).



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:** Back in school again

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/articles/z2cpm39>



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