

Newsletter

Cranford Primary School

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Message from the Head Teacher

On behalf of everyone at Cranford Primary School, we would like to wish all our children, parents, and families a very happy and blessed Eid – Eid Mubarak to all of you who are celebrating.

Two weeks ago, we welcomed Challenge Partners into our school to carry out a peer evaluation of our curriculum, teaching and learning, and leadership. The review team—comprising experienced leaders from other schools—gathered views from parents, staff and pupils, observed a wide range of lessons, and explored different aspects of school life, including lunchtimes, clubs and assemblies.

We are delighted to share that we have now received their report, which is highly positive. It highlights strengths in our leadership, staff development, enrichment opportunities for pupils, and the care and support we provide for our most vulnerable families.

As with any thorough review, the report also identifies areas for further development. These include strengthening opportunities for pupils to develop decoding skills, continuing to extend vocabulary through high-quality interactions and modelling, and ensuring appropriate levels of challenge for pupils with SEND and those learning English as an additional language.

We are proud of the many strengths recognised in the report and are committed to building on these further by addressing the areas identified, as we continue striving to provide the very best for all our pupils.

We have one more week of school before we break up for the Easter Holidays – I am sure it is going to be a great week!

Jasmeen Chana, Headteacher

“We are all different and that’s beautiful.”

**EARLY YEARS
ATTENDANCE
WINNERS
RED CLASS**

**KS1
ATTENDANCE
WINNERS
PURPLE CLASS**

**KS2
ATTENDANCE
WINNERS
SAFFRON CLASS**

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

Tyra (1Lime), Karishma (1Lime), Harmannat (3Aqua), Aryaveer (3Aqua), Nivaan (5Crimson), Mya (5Crimson), Alina (5Emerald), Valonia (5Emerald), Manseerat (1Green), Kushveer (1Green)



Lost Property

As we approach the Easter holidays, we kindly ask that you check the school's lost property box for any items belonging to your child.

The lost property box is located in the office foyer and we encourage all families to take a moment to look through it before the end of term. There are lots of school jumpers, odd gloves, water bottles and even a few coats.

Please note that any items remaining in the box at the start of the Easter holidays will be taken to a charity recycling centre.

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ROCK STEADY

Our Rock Steady Rock Band showed off their musical talents with a performance for parents this week.

Your child can learn to play an instrument in their very own band with no experience necessary! Guided by inspirational musicians, children learn songs they love in a fun and supportive in-school group setting.

[Sign up today using this link.](#)



Term Time Swimming Lessons

Days:
Monday
Tuesday
Friday
Sunday

- ← They will be small group lessons with a maximum of 4 swimmers per group.
- ← I teach in the water.
- ← Lessons run for 30 mins

Location:
The Marriott Hotel Heathrow
Bath Road
UB3 5AN

If your interested or have any questions get in touch:
Email: info@candicesswimschool.com
Phone: 07912219177



KS2 TAG RUGBY TOURNAMENT

Coach Michael and Mrs Cruz proudly took nine talented pupils to this week's KS2 Tag Rugby tournament—and what a performance they delivered!

After weeks of dedicated training, expectations were high, and the team rose brilliantly to the challenge. They played an incredible 14 matches, winning every single one on their way to the final. Although they were narrowly defeated in the last game, their effort, teamwork, and determination were outstanding from start to finish.

A huge well done to Jazzlyn, Velonia, Haleema, Gianna, Jayden S, Yasin, Bartosz, Amine, and Raffael for representing the school so brilliantly.

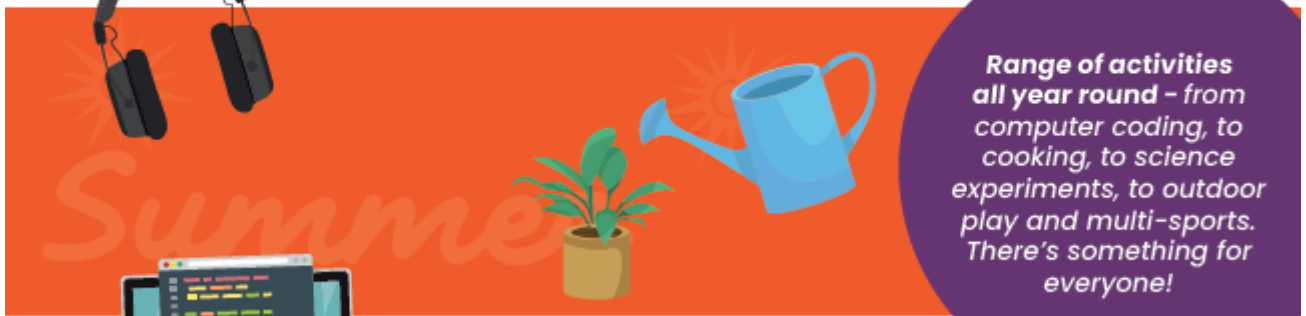
Thanks to their fantastic achievement, the team has now qualified for the borough finals in the Summer term—an exciting opportunity we can't wait to see them take on!





Did you know?

Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) runs over the Easter, Summer and Winter holidays!



Range of activities all year round - from computer coding, to cooking, to science experiments, to outdoor play and multi-sports. There's something for everyone!



Children who are eligible for benefits related free school meals can access **free activities and a meal over the holidays.**



Each child is eligible for **4 days** over Easter and Winter and **16 days** over the summer.

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We have noticed that some children in Years 3 and 4 are entering the school building earlier than the designated time, often alongside younger siblings, who have an earlier start time. As a result, a number of pupils are in the corridors unsupervised, as teachers are not always in their classrooms at this time due to morning preparation.

For safeguarding reasons, we cannot allow children to be on site without appropriate supervision.

We kindly ask that all children in Years 3 and 4 are dropped off in the KS2 courtyard, where a member of staff will be on duty each morning.

We understand that this may be challenging for families with children in different year groups; however, for health and safety reasons, we are no longer able to accommodate early entry into the building.

Please remember that we do have a Breakfast Club for children. The Early Birds Breakfast Club is a fantastic way to prepare pupils for the start of the school day. Breakfast Club welcomes pupils from Reception to Year 6 and opens at 7.30am every morning. Pupils have access to a healthy breakfast, including cereal, toast, fresh fruit and juice. Breakfast Club is run by an experienced staff team from OHM. For just £5 a day, students receive a nutritious breakfast and can engage in various art, sport and mindful activities before school begins. By fostering healthy eating habits, the Early Birds Breakfast Club helps students incorporate these practices into their daily lives.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



We will have a jam-packed programme of before and after school activities for your child to take part in such as Sports & Games, Arts & Crafts, Forest school sessions, Mindfulness activities & much more!

Our Early Bird sessions will start your child off to a great day and they will receive a nutritious breakfast and take part in our planned activities from 07.30am - 08.45am.

Our Evening Owls Club runs in 2 sessions from 3.15pm-4.30pm or from 3.15pm-6pm. If your child is already in an after school club you also have the option to just book on for the later session from 4.30pm-6pm.

Children will receive a snack in our Evening Owls 1 Session and a light meal in our Evening Owls 2 session. Please see our information pack for menu details and much more!

MORNING
DROP OFF

Link to book OHM Breakfast Club:

<https://www.ohmcoaching.co.uk/bookings.php?course=503>

Book your child's eye test for the Easter break

Routine eye checks are offered to children to identify any problems early on in their development. Although serious vision problems during childhood are rare, early testing ensures any issues are picked up and managed as early as possible. Children may not realise they have a vision problem so, without routine tests, there's a risk they could go undiagnosed for months or years.

It is recommended that you take your child for an eye examination at least once every 2 years. This can be done at a high-street opticians and it's free for all children under 16 years old.

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Dates for your Diary

26th March - Year 4 Easter Assembly

30th March - 10th April - Easter Holidays

30th March - 2nd April - OHM Easter Camp

13th April - Back to School

21st April - Reception Art Exhibition

24th April - Year 1 Vaisakhi Assembly



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**.

When booking routine medical and dental appointments every effort must be made to book appointments out of school time.

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: Let all the world in every corner sing

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/articles/z8gx7yc>



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