



# Cranwell Primary School

## Newsletter

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### World Book Day

Last Thursday a group of 51 children, parents and staff set off for Wembley to take part in a massive concert called 'Voice in a Million'. Billed as 'The World's Most Spectacular School Concert', VIAM brought together a huge choir of around 6,000 children to perform to their parents in the SSE Arena, supported by a state of the art sound and lighting system, professional comperes and dancers.

We arrived in the arena at around 2pm and had a couple of hours to practise with the other school choirs and get acclimatised to the massive space in which we were to perform. After a break for some food, we returned for the performance at 7pm. The children sang their hearts out and really enjoyed all the dancing and the great atmosphere of the performance. We were treated to some amazing singing by the soloists, some of whom were as young as 13 - definitely stars in the making. At 10pm it was time to head home, tired and sleepy, but exhilarated by such an inspiring day.

The children's behaviour on the trip was exemplary and all the staff were extremely proud of how they conducted themselves; they were a real credit to both the school and to their parents. May I thank all of the parents who accompanied us on the trip, to support the children, and also those who got up at 2am to collect them from school! Huge thanks also to Mr Carter and Mrs Grainger for their hard work preparing the choir and organising the trip, and to all the staff who made it such an amazing experience for the children.

We have received a number of thank you letters, which can be seen to the right of the pictures. Report by Mrs Helen Bullement



*I just wanted to say a big thank you for organising this experience for the children. It was a fantastic day, enjoyed by parents as much as the children.*

*As a parent, I was extremely proud of all the children, not just my daughter, their behaviour all day (from what I saw) was impeccable, even on the journey home when everyone was tired.*

*They were all a credit to you and the school.*

*Thank you to all the staff who did an amazing job keeping all the children safe and looked after during a long and tiring day for all.*

*It is definitely an experience that will be cherished in their memories.*

*Thank you.*

*A Big Thankyou from Voice In A Million.*

*We feel so proud that you took part in Voice In A Million 2017. Thank you to every teacher who gave up their time to work with the students to learn the songs and moves.*

*To all of the students who attended VIAM you were truly amazing! Every year I am amazed at the standard but this year was truly incredible!*

*Jo Garofalo  
Voice In A Million Ltd*

### Wanted

If you're considering a clear out, the Larks and Owls Club (Before and After School Club) would be grateful of any donations of ride-on/wheeled toys for 4-11 year olds.

Foundation Stage would be grateful for: Metal pots, pans or jugs; any wooden or wicker baskets/bowls; and any 'outgrown' dressing up costumes. We are ok for plastic bowls and buckets!! Thank you in advance.

### Homework Club - Mathletics

Parents at the Parents' Forum last week asked if the school could run a homework club in school. Miss Rebecca Hill and Miss Naomi Herbert have kindly offered to trial a homework club which will allow children to complete Mathletics challenges set by their teachers if they are unable to finish the activities at home. The club will be trialed next term on a Monday and Wednesday lunchtime beginning on the 24<sup>th</sup> April.

### Woodwork and Cookies

Class 2/3CO enjoyed working with tools last week. The children made picture frames. The class also made chocolate chip cookies to sell after school.



### Parent Evenings

Parent Evenings have been arranged for next week. The School Governors will be in school while Parent Interviews take place, providing refreshments and answering any questions you may have. They will also be handing out a short questionnaire for all parents to complete.

The traditional Bookfair will also be available. The stalls will be displayed in the school hall for children to purchase books. The children will also have the opportunity during the week to visit the Bookfair with their class.



## Experiences' Day

As a school, we are aware that many children do very well in our after-school clubs, such as sports, art and craft activities, music lessons, etc. Following the success of our 'Experiences' Day' in previous years, we would like to organise a similar event for this year. We would like to give all children a taster of a particular activity that they are interested in, in the hope that this 'taster' will encourage the children to seek out further similar experiences. Additionally, we hope that some children may discover a particular ability that up to then they were unaware of.

Our aim is to organise a day of activities for all Key Stage Two children. Prior to the day they will be given a range of activities to choose from and I will do my best to ensure that they get to attend one of their most favoured activities. We will be using the same structure, as in recent years, of a four-session day.

This day will not be possible without the support of parents and that of the wider school community. We would like you to consider whether you have a hobby that would be of interest to the children or an occupation, which the children could experience within the school day and grounds.

Some hobbies, interests or occupations you might be able to offer could be cake decorating, flower arranging, working with clay, sewing, clothes making, knitting, cross-stitch, dress/costume making, homemade cards, arts and craft, drawing, bricklaying, DIY, car maintenance, cooking, baking, photography, ICT, golf, hockey, netball, cricket, basketball, gym, music, dance, etc. Possible occupations could be nursing, linked to the RAF, plumbing, etc. Specific requests, following feedback from the children, included hockey, mountain bike riding, archery, judo, assault courses, makeovers, Veterinary Science, decorating a t-shirt, dress-making, making fruit drinks, trampolining, lollypop making, plane flying simulator, baking biscuits, making donuts, wind chime making, candle making, making Chinese lanterns, archery, making frozen yoghurts, fencing, woodwork, skate boarding, Tae Kwon Do, Lego Technic construction & shoe design.

This list is by no means exhaustive if you have a skill or interest which you are willing to share with the children, please let us know.

As I have already said, this day cannot take place without your support. If you are able to help, please complete the form which has already been sent home. The response to this will give the school a good indicator of whether the day is viable. However, I appreciate that you all have other commitments, not least jobs and families. The intended day is Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

Our aim is to give all children a taster of what they are interested in and most importantly of all, an enjoyable and rewarding day. We hope that you will support us. Thank you.

Miss Rebecca Hill

## Mathletics

Mathletes of the week for 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> March were:

Top 3:

Charlotte Watkins 11,517

Zak Kelly 10,290

Oliver Shirley 7,482

KS1/FS: Class 2/3CO 40,599

KS2: Class 5/6H 24,310

## Headlice

We have had a number of cases of head lice reported by parents. Please see the link below to help prevent and treat.

If you would like a free head lice comb please pop into the office.

<http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/Head-lice/Pages/Introduction.aspx>

## No Smoking

We are a smoke free school. Please can all parents respect our **NO SMOKING** policy by ensuring we do not smoke when on school property. Our school property includes the school drive and parent waiting area, and parents should not be smoking in these areas. Thank you for your support in this matter.

## Upcoming Events:

### Parent Interviews

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2017

### Grandparents' Day

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017

### This Academic year:

Term 4 ends: Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Mar 2017

Term 5 : Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Apr – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Term 6 : Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Jun – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2017

### Academic Year 2017-2018

Term 1 Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Oct 2017

Term 2: Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> Oct – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 2017

Term 3: Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> January – Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018

Term 4: Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Feb – Wed 28<sup>th</sup> Mar 2018

Term 5 : Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Apr – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Term 6 : Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Jun – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018

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## Cranwell Sports Pavilion Fund

### Clothes and Accessories Sales

Saturday 25 March 2017  
at  
Cranwell Village Hall

Old School Lane, Cranwell Village NG34 8DF

1000 am until 1 pm (1300hrs)

Double Table - £10.00

Single Table - £5.00

Clothes Hanging Rails - price per length on size

De-Clutter your wardrobes/drawers/cupboards and make some money from those unused articles/items

Refreshments will be Available!

To Book a Table - Contact: Helen  
On

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