



# Cranwell Primary School *Newsletter*

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## Spring Bake-Off

Calling all keen bakers, or those who would like to give baking a go....

The PTA are organising a 'Spring Bake off' with proceeds going towards the KS1 Trim Trail fund.

Entries will cost 50p, please bring your Baking masterpieces to school on **Friday March 29<sup>th</sup>**, between 8:30- 9:00am. Any design, or size of cake/cupcake are encouraged.

The competition will be judged independently by Naomi Smith and the 'Open the Book' ladies.

All cakes will be available for children to purchase during break time at school for 50p. Remaining cakes will then be sold outside of school at the end of the day.

## Easter Raffle

Raffle tickets have been sent out by the PTA. There will be a Hamper prize, plus various Easter Eggs.

Tickets are £1 per strip.

Raffle will be drawn during an assembly at school on **Monday 1st April**.

All proceeds will go towards the KS1 trim trail.

Thank you

Your PTA

## Term 5 Menus

The term 5 menus are now live on the Ideal Group website for parents to order.

## Sport's Kit

Please can any outstanding sports kit be returned to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

## Cycle Training

Cycle training will take place again next term. Year 5 children will be offered an introduction to safe cycling. This will comprise playground-based practical work during the school day, focusing on the correct safety equipment, starting and stopping positions, signalling and moving at the same time. Year 6 children will be offered a road-based course, where they will learn about major and minor roads, different types of junctions and how to signal and manoeuvre safely. The sessions will take place during the school day and for the Year 6 children will take place on public roads. The course gives your child basic experience of cycling and you should satisfy yourself as to his/her capabilities before allowing freedom on the public roads. All children are expected to wear a cycling helmet throughout the training period, together with high visibility clothing.

Children will need their own cycles and these cycles will be examined first to determine whether they are roadworthy. This will include a test of the brakes (cycles must have two sets of brakes), tyres, steering, height of handlebars and seat, and general condition of the bicycle. Failure to carry out repairs and/or adjustments will mean your child will be unable to participate.

More details will be sent out shortly.

## Headlice

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

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

We do have combs in school to give away - if you would like one please pop into the school office.

## 500 Words

Congratulations to all of the children who entered the 500 Word Competition.

Mrs Kate Thomas judged the fantastic entries.

Well done to our winner, Katie Smith from Year 6 with her story 'The Cave'. Katie has been awarded a book voucher for the book fair.

Please enjoy Katie's story below:

### The Cave

I stepped into the damp cave, feeling a shiver run down my spine. I looked up and saw huge stalactites towering over me. There were puddles *everywhere*, and where there weren't, it was damp. There were huge drops of water falling from the ceiling. I was suddenly glad I had brought my raincoat and wellies. I glanced around me, looking at the other tourists who had the same interests as me. "HELLO!" I yelled, and hundreds of 'hellos' bellowed back at me. Several minutes later, there was a sudden crash, the sound of rocks falling to the ground. The tour guide and I rushed to the entrance of the cave and my heart skipped a beat. The entrance had fallen in.

A few moments later, everyone was in full panic mode. There was a stream a little further down the cave that we could drink from, with a hole quite away above it. We had a couple of metres of rope, but not enough. We gathered up some long sticks and tied them together with the ropes. I found some white chalk and wrote on a light sea-blue picnic blanket, 'HELP! WE ARE TRAPPED IN A CAVE! SEND HELP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!' and sent it up the hole. It felt like years since I had been in sunlight, and it was pitch black in the cave. There were eight torches between us, so we decided to have only one shining at a time. There was also a rather nasty, musty smell, so every now and then, people would go and stand by the hole to breathe in some fresh air. As it was a cave, there was no warmth. We put on our spare clothing (and some even picnic blankets!) and sat with our fingers and toes crossed that someone would see our sign sometime soon.

Our night in the cave wasn't easy: There were rats scuttling past you every few seconds, and there would be someone or other snoring. As we had lost track of time, the night seemed to go on for years. We had no entertainment, other than phones, which ran out of battery after a while.

In the morning, we stood by the entrance, ready for that days tour guide to come to work. We waited and waited and waited until, eventually, we heard a muffled voice, chattering to himself. We then shouted and screamed at the top of our voices, hoping the guide would hear us, and sure enough, they did. "Hello? Is anyone there? Where are you?"

"ARCHIE! It's me! I'm stuck inside the cave with a bunch of tourists with very little food. Please send for help immediately!" yelled our tour guide. About half an hour later, we were being told to step back as far as we could from the blockage. Then there was another *CRASH*, as the rocks were knocked down and the smell of salty air rushed into the cave. Everyone gave a sigh of relief and vigilantly stepped outside, so as to not make another rock fall. Free at last!

by

*Katie Smith* Y6



## Mathletics

Mathletes of the week winners:

**Week ending 24th March 2019**

- 1 – Eleanor Gould (12517)
- 2 – Sophia Caswell (3229)
- 3 – Holly Nicol (2445)

KS1 – 1MMS (8932)

KS2 – 3/4H (18925)

## Pupils Leaving

To help us plan our classes for September we would appreciate if you could let us know in advance if your child/children will be leaving Cranwell Primary School before the end of this academic year. Forms for leavers must be completed and are available from the school office. Many thanks.

## Trampolining Champ!

Well done to Georgie Middleton who entered the regional trampolining competition in Loughborough. Georgie won her event, so is now regional champion at her level, for her age group. Georgie's team also won the team gold.



## Literacy and Numeracy Information Evening

*Wish to know more about what is expected from your child?*

*Unsure how to help your child at home?*

*Want to know more about what happens in a Maths/Literacy lesson?*

On Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019 Literacy and Numeracy Lead teachers will provide an insight into what you need to know as a parent to help your child.

They will be discussing:

- Expectations for the end of each Key Stage in Reading, Writing, Maths and SPAG
- SPAG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar)
- The Year 1 phonics test
- The Year 4 Multiplication Test
- Current Assessment frameworks

Times:

KS1 workshop will be from 17:00 – 18:30 and

KS2 workshop will be from 18:30 – 20:00.

## Big Breakfast and Healthy Day

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019 our school will be celebrating our Healthy Day. To help celebrate the day children can come to school dressed in sports gear/PE kit.

There will be a Big Breakfast to help celebrate the day. Doors will open at 8:15am. All family members are welcome. Breakfast is £1 per person.

## Music Evening

Well done, to all of the children who took part in the Music evening last week. All of the children performed wonderfully well. The evening was enjoyed by many parents and grandparents.

Well done!

## Experiences' Day

This year's Experiences Day will be on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

Our aim is to organise a day of activities for all Key Stage Two children. 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.

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. All offers of help gratefully received, whether it be for only part of the day or all, to lead an activity or to support other activity leaders!

If you know anyone else that may be able to help us, please do let me know!

Specific requests following feedback from the children after last year's event 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 the office know and then I will get in touch with you. If you are interested in helping, please let me know by Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

Many thanks,

Miss Rebecca Hill

## Spring Fling Disco

Spring Fling Disco Times :

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019  
KS1 / Foundation : 15:00 - 16:00.

KS2 : 16:15 – 17:00.

Please return money and reply slip by Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April.

Any willing helpers are always appreciated.

## Upcoming Events:

**PTA Spring Bake Off:**

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019:

(more info has been sent out):

**Maths and Literacy Evening:**

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019:

KS1 workshop will be from 17:00 – 18:30 and

KS2 workshop will be from 18:30 – 20:00:

**Spring Fling Disco:**

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019:

Foundation Stage / Key Stage 1 : 15:00 – 16:00:

Key Stage 2 : 16:15 – 17:15:

**Healthy Day and Big Breakfast:**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019:

**Thurston Week:**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2019:

**Parents' Afternoon:**

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2019 from 1:15pm:

**Grandparents' Day:**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019:

**PTA Indoor Table Top Sale:**

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June - time : TBC:

**Academic Year 2018-2019:**

Term 4 ends: Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Apr 2019:

Term 5 : Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Apr – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019:

Term 6 : Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Jun – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019:

**Academic Year 2019-2020:**

Term 1: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Oct 2019:

Term 2: Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Oct – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 2019:

Term 3: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020:

Term 4: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr 2020:

Term 5 : Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Apr – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020:

Term 6 : Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Jun – Tues 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020:

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