



Cranwell Primary School

Newsletter

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Welcome Back!

Welcome back to term 3, and a special welcome to our new families who have joined us this term.

We hope you've had a lovely Christmas and we wish you all a Happy New Year!

We look forward once again to a very enjoyable and productive term.



Parent View
Your Child's School

**Give Ofsted your view
on your child's school**

Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about our School at any time of year.

Parent View asks for your opinion on twelve aspects of our School, including: the quality of teaching; whether your child is happy at this School and is well looked after; and whether you would recommend this School to another parent.

By sharing your views, you will be helping us to continue to be reflective and look at how to continue to improve what we do. You will also be able to see what other parents have said about the school.

You can access Parent View at

<http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>

I would encourage all parents / carers to take a few minutes to complete this valuable questionnaire.

The Ofsted site requires your email address and a password to complete the questionnaire. Before registering, please read the Ofsted 'Terms of Use.' Ofsted store email addresses in order to ensure people cannot make multiple entries from the same email address.

Ofsted do make it clear that the preferred method for dealing with a concern is to talk to the School first.

Mr Chris Wilson - Headteacher

Assertive Mentoring

Your child's Assertive Mentoring targets are currently being reviewed by staff and the outcomes will be shared with the children. Parents will receive a copy of these reviewed targets for their reference shortly. New targets agreed by your child and class teacher will then be recorded in Planners. Please could I ask all parents to sign them. The outcomes of this second set of targets will be discussed at Parents' Evening in March. Staff are obviously always available to discuss your child's progress. If you wish to do so, please make an appointment via the School office.

Disabled Parking

Please can you ensure that only blue badge holders park in the disabled spaces on the school drive. School staff are unable to monitor parking down the school drive, this is conducted by Lincolnshire Police who may issue parking tickets.

Cold Weather

Please can you ensure all children are sent in with coats or fleeces now the weather is turning colder. Classes often work outside, supporting the Government's targets to promote outdoor learning. Therefore, along with playtimes, your child may be spending additional time outside.

If it Snows...

If you are unsure whether the school will be open on a day when it snows, please listen to BBC Radio Lincolnshire and Lincs FM, their respective websites and Parentmail which will all provide relevant information as to whether we are open or not. A decision will not be made until 8am, therefore remain at home until the latest time possible to safely travel to school. Please note, even when these establishments are contacted by school, it can often take a considerable time for the information to be available for broadcasting or uploading.

Reminder of School Times

School starts for everyone at 8:55am. School finishes at 3:05pm for the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 and 3:15pm for Key Stage 2.

Please note: these are times when class lessons finish.

Please allow 5 to 10 minutes for your child to pack his/her school bag and put on their coat.

Please do not send your child before 8:45am when staff become responsible for children on the playgrounds.

Children arriving before 8:45am are not allowed onto the school premises and must wait outside the gate.

Late Arrival

Pupils arriving after the beginning of the school session should enter by the main entrance and inform the school secretary of their arrival. Registers can then be kept up to date and amended provided they have arrived no later than 20 minutes after the start of the session. Children arriving late or departing early are recorded by the accompanying parent or school secretary in a special register.

PE Kits

All children should have a P.E. Kit of plimsolls, socks, trainers, shorts and a t-shirt. These should be kept in a bag in the cloakroom. Infant children, unable to fasten laces, should be provided with slip-on plimsolls. For Junior children, who play football/netball or any other outdoor sports, warmer old clothes and trainers will suffice, especially in cold, wet, muddy conditions. All children will do various PE lessons outside. Many thanks for your help in this matter.



Starting School in 2015?

Is your child starting school in September 2015? Visit www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/parents/schools/school-admissions to apply for a place.

The online admissions system is available for parents and carers who would like to apply for a Reception/Foundation Stage place. If your child was born between 1 September 2010 and 31 August 2011 they will be due to start Reception in September 2015.

Class F2S

Miss Rebecca Spencer's class have now moved into their new classroom. The children and Miss Spencer are delighted with the new room. Miss Spencer and Mrs Chloe Baker, with the help of the children are currently adding the children's displays to the walls.



Parent's Afternoon

This year we will be holding our Parent's Afternoon on Thursday 21st May 2015. This will give you, as Parents, an opportunity to view the school in action and to be able to walk around the school with your child/children.

Grandparent's Day

The annual Grandparent's Day has been arranged for Friday 22nd May 2015, which is the last day of Term 5. Further details and invitations will be sent out early next year, however, knowing the date gives families the opportunity to begin arrangements.

Film Club

We are delighted to inform you that FILMCLUB will be showing its first film of the new year on Wednesday 14th January 2015. It will be a chance for your child to experience a variety of films in a safe, happy and structured setting.

Our FILMCLUB aims to make a wide range of films available, which challenge, unite, educate, amaze and inspire. Our FILMCLUB will be running from immediately after school until 5.00pm. Refreshments will be provided and there will be a small charge of £1 to cover this.

We will be watching Ice Age. The film is classified as a 'U' and as such is suitable for all.



Although it's set on an ice floe, there's nothing chilly about this cheerful animated comedy. Three unlikely companions - a woolly mammoth, a sabre-tooth tiger and a young sloth - team up for the great migration southwards. Along the way they pick up a human baby, and decide to return it to its parents - despite the humans' unappealing habit of hunting them. Ice Age is a very likeable movie that will have audiences of all ages smiling.

Lunchboxes

It was pleasing to see how many healthy lunchboxes appeared in school last week. If you want ideas on how to make a healthy packed lunch: www.nhs.uk/change4life/Pages/healthy-lunchbox-picnic.aspx

...have got some great ideas for you, and in no time you'll have delicious lunchbox ideas for all the family.

Take the lunchbox list with you when you shop - it will help you avoid reaching for tempting, less healthy foods, and it could save you time and money too!

Healthy Snacks at Playtime

Just a gentle reminder that your child needs a healthy snack for break time and a water bottle to take into their class. Whilst some of the cereal bars do offer health benefits, they also contain a high level of sugar which is detrimental to your child's teeth, leading to tooth decay. Fresh fruit and vegetables, raisins or cheese for their morning snack are the best choices and we would ask children to save their other snacks for lunchtime. If your child has access to fresh water throughout the day then they are able to remain hydrated and concentration levels are improved, aiding good progression. Many thanks for your support and understanding in this area.

Mrs Birchenall - Healthy Schools Coordinator



Parent Interviews

Parent Evenings will take place between the 23rd and 25th March 2015. You will be receiving confirmation of a time slot from the teachers of your child's class. The School Governors will be serving refreshments at the front of school and are available to answer any of your questions. The traditional Bookfair will be available within the hall for children to purchase books.

Dates:

This Academic year:

Term 3 ends - Fri 13th February 2015
Term 4: Monday 23rd February - Thurs 26th March 2015
Term 5: Monday 13th April - Friday 22nd May 2015
Term 6: Monday 1st June - Wednesday 22nd July 2015

Next Academic year:

Term 1: Thurs 3rd September - Thurs 22nd October 2015
Term 2: Mon 2nd November - Thurs 17th December 2015
Term 3: Tuesday 5th January - Fri 12th February 2016
Term 4: Monday 22nd February - Wed 23rd March 2016
Term 5: Monday 11th April - Friday 27th May 2016
Term 6: Monday 6th June - Thursday 21st July 2016

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