

School Newsletter

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Join us Next Week for our Safety Big Breakfast

Come and join us next Friday for our Big Breakfast in the school hall to mark the start of our Safety Day. The doors open at 8:15am and we look forward to enjoying breakfast together at the usual cost of £1 per person. All profits will go towards the Lincolnshire Air Ambulance. Remember...bring extra loose change to help us cover our wonderful air ambulance!!!!

This day will be a non-uniform day, however please can all children come dressed as light and as bright as they canto reinforce the message about being seen and being safe near traffic.



A Parents' Guide to Assertive Mentoring at Cranwell Primary School

What is Assertive Mentoring?

Assertive Mentoring is a whole school system which aims to raise achievement for all children. We believe that it will support us well with what we already do at Cranwell Primary School, and will raise standards by strengthening good practice and refining our existing systems.

The Key aspects of Assertive Mentoring are:

- Target setting which is based on the school's data analysis of your child's prior attainment or baseline testing. This sets challenging targets which are based on skills your child needs to work on over a period of approximately two months.
- The system assists teachers to make highly accurate assessments of your child's learning needs. This enables teachers to focus their teaching on the 'gaps in their learning' to accelerate progress.
- Pupil tracking identifies if a child is meeting their potential.
- Support systems which include the assertive mentoring conversation provide a collaborative dialogue based on the child's present and future learning.
- The child remains central to the whole process throughout.

How will Assertive Mentoring benefit my child?

- All children from the Foundation Stage to Year Six are encouraged to have ownership of their own targets
- All children will have targets for Reading, Writing and Maths, together with relevant aspects of school life pertinent to your child, for example, presentation of work, attitude to homework, wearing of correct uniform, bringing into school PE kit, attendance and punctuality.
- All children will have the opportunity to meet with their teacher on an individual basis to talk positively about their progress, their targets, their attitude to learning and their effort in class. They will be encouraged to reflect on how well they are doing in relation to their own personal learning targets.
- All children, including those with SEN or who are Gifted and Talented, take a full part in ensuring they have a clear understanding of how they can achieve identified targets and next steps will be discussed with the child.
- Children will become more motivated to succeed and meet their targets

How does Assertive Mentoring enrich the Parent/School Partnership?

- Parents and teachers will have a joint understanding of the principles and aims of Assertive Mentoring. This will enable parents and school to work as a team to ensure every child reaches their full potential.
- The dialogue with the teacher can focus in on what additional support and strategies can be undertaken at school and home to maximise progress for the child.

Parents' Evening will allow us to discuss every aspect of the Assertive Mentoring system with you.

Safety Day

There will be limited parking at school due to the Whole School Safety Day. At drop-off and pick up time there should not be an issue, however, during the school day, parents will be unable to park on the school drive as it will be used for explaining to the children about vehicle safety. A large lorry may be situated on the drive along with various emergency response vehicles. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

Come and join us at school for a Fun-draising Breakfast to Celebrate

> Whole Safety Day 2016 Friday 21st October

Just donate £1

Doors open at 8:15

Mums, Dads, Grandmas, Grandads, Carers – all welcome

Children need to Dress Light and Bright; Be Seen!



Money raised will be donated to the Lincolnshire Air Ambulance















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We have arranged a free E-Safety workshop available for all parents which will take place on Tuesday 29th November 2016. I stress the importance of a parent attending the session to provide you with a valuable strategy to keep your family safe on the internet. Many thanks.



Parent Evenings have been arranged for next week beginning 17th October 2016. The School Governors will be in school while Parent Interviews take place, providing refreshments and answering any questions you may have. Please contact the school if you have not received an appointment confirmation slip.

The traditional Bookfair will be available while Parent Interviews are taking place. The stalls will be displayed within the school hall for children to purchase books. The children will have the opportunity during the week to visit the Bookfair with their class.

Thank you for your continued support. Mr Chris Wilson Headteacher

Christmas Fayre

Preparations for our Christmas Fayre are well underway. The date is Thursday 1st December 2016 between 15:15 and 16:30. If you wish to book a stall, please contact the Chair of the PTA, Mrs Karen Newton via the School Office.

Clubs

After school clubs will not be on after school next week due to parent's evenings.

Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Upcoming Events

Parent Interviews

Week beginning 17th October 2016

Safety Day & Big Breakfast Friday 21st October 2016

Next PTA Meeting

Tuesday 8th November 2016 at 9.10am

Open Morning for 2017 Starters Thursday 10th November 2016

09:30 - 11:30am

Children in Need

Friday 18th November 2016

PTA Bring a Tombola Prize - Non-uniform Day Friday 25th November 2016

Parent's E-Safety Training

Tuesday 29th November 2016 at 3:15pm

Christmas Fayre

Thursday 1st December 2016 from 15:15 to 16:30

This Academic year:

Term 1 ends - Friday 21st Oct 2016

Term 2: Tuesday 1st Nov - Tuesday 20th Dec 2016

Term 3: Wed 4th January - Fri 10th Feb 2017

Term 4: Mon 20th Feb – Fri 31st Mar 2017

Term 5 : Tuesday 18th Apr – Friday 26th May 2017

Term 6: Mon 5th Jun - Wednesday 19th July 2017

Academic Year 2017-2018

Term 1 Tuesday 5th September - Friday 20th Oct 2017 Term 2: Tuesday 3rd September – Friday 20th Oct 2017 Term 2: Tuesday 31st Oct – Tuesday 19th Dec 2017 Term 3: Wed 3rd January – Fri 9th Feb 2018 Term 4: Mon 19th Feb – Wed 28th Mar 2018 Term 5: Monday 16th Apr – Friday 25th May 2018 Term 6: Mon 4th Jun – Friday 20th July 2018

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