



# Cranwell Primary School Newsletter

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## Welcome Back!

Welcome back to the new school year! We hope very much that you and your families enjoyed a safe and pleasant summer holiday.

We would like to welcome all of the new children and their families to the school.

## Foundation Stage

The new children in Foundation Stage have enjoyed their first few days at school. We wish to express our thanks to the parents of the Foundation Stage children, who have openly encouraged a positive start for their children, how brave they have been! Well done Foundation Stage, and fantastic smiling!

Starting school is an important milestone in their young lives and we aim to make the experience a very pleasant one for all concerned. We appreciate that this is not only important for the children, but also for parents as they see their children embark on their educational journey.

Already the children have been learning about each other and how to care for each other, making their class rules together, getting used to routines as well as becoming familiar with their classroom and the school.

## Uniform

We have been very impressed with the children looking so smart in the first week.

Please remember that long hair should be tied up, and jewellery, make-up and nail polish are not allowed. We would be grateful if parents could support the school with these rules.

## Remember—Name Everything!

Be aware that when you have a class of 30 children the majority of white shirts are the same size and often from the same providers. Ties are identical! Shoes also look very similar. Trying to distinguish whose items are whose is very difficult without them being named!

Thank you for your help

## Timings of the School Day

School drop off is between 8:40am and 8:55am.

School finishes at 3:05pm for the Foundation Stage and Key Stage One, and 3:15pm for Key Stage Two.

Please note, this is when lessons end. Children will be out a few minutes after this point. Additionally, sometimes unforeseen things happen in class which result in the children coming out a few minutes later. Thank you for your understanding.

Please try not to stand immediately in front of the silver gates at the front of school. This will allow children to easily exit the school and locate their parents.

If you wish to speak with your class teacher please make an appointment either by emailing or telephoning the school

office, or see the member of staff at the gates at the end of the day.

## Ordering Hot Meals

Please remember that infant classes are provided with Universal Infant Free School Meals. Children in Key Stage 2 currently can order hot meal lunches through Ideal School Meals, our food provider, or parents may wish to send in a packed lunch instead. Children in Foundation Stage and Key Stage One also receive a piece of fruit each day through a Government initiative.

## 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, 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.

## Lunches

If you want ideas on how to make a healthy packed lunch: [www.nhs.uk/change4life/Pages/healthy-lunchbox-picnic.aspx](http://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!

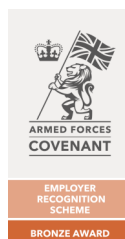


## Allergies

We currently have children in school who have severe allergies. Please can I ask parents to ensure no packed lunches or snacks include nuts/peanut butter/chocolate spread etc. Many thanks for your support in this matter.

## New Reading Records

Your child by now should have received a new Reading Record. We are encouraging the children to look after these new booklets with pride. Children will be issued with a new reading record at the beginning of each year, however if they are lost there will be a small charge to replace them.





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## Individual Photographs

On Thursday 15th September, the school photographer will be taking individual photographs. Family photographs together with pre-school are available in the morning from 8:30am. Please enter the school via the school reception if you wish to have a family photograph.

## Medical Info & Absences

If your child has a medical appointment, if possible, can you please send a note into the class teacher giving prior notice.

Please notify the school office of all absences either by email or phone, stating reasons.

## Internet Safety

Help your child become a smarter, safer and happier explorer of the online world.

Google have a 'Be Internet Legends Parent's Page' — a helpful handbook full of tips and tricks for supporting your child's digital education.

There are lots of simple ways to reinforce the important online safety lessons your child has been learning in school, through Google's Be Internet Legends programme. Created in partnership with Parent Zone, the programme is empowering families to make the most of the internet by helping them become confident digital citizens.

See more at : [https://beinternetlegends.withgoogle.com/en\\_uk/parents/](https://beinternetlegends.withgoogle.com/en_uk/parents/)

## Contact Details

Please ensure that the school office is notified of any change in your contact details.

## Parentmail

Please remember to check your emails daily as school news and information will be sent via ParentMail. If you have not signed up or updated your email address, please do so via the school office: [enquiries@cranwell.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@cranwell.lincs.sch.uk)

## Term-time Absence

Due to Government legislation, head teachers **may not grant any leave** of absence during term time unless there are **exceptional** circumstances.

Forms to apply for term-time absence are available from the school office. If you have any queries concerning this issue, please speak to the office staff who will be pleased to help!

## Travelling to and from School

We have received several worrying messages concerning children riding to school hazardously and putting their own lives and others at risk. Incidents have included children cycling across a road without looking and riding on the road, but weaving dangerously whilst cars are attempting to pass.

## Top Tips for Riding to School

- Ride with your children.
- Do not let your child ride to school if they are not riding with you, or not attending Bikewise Training, or not safe to do so alone.
- Wear a properly-fitted helmet. It is the best way to prevent head injuries and death.
- Ride on the pavement when you can.
- Use hand signals and follow the rules of the road.
- Wear bright colours and use lights, especially when riding at night and in the morning.

Please see below some useful websites to help you teach your child the rules about cycling:

<https://bikeability.org.uk/cycle-more/family-cycling/essential-cycling-skills-for-families/>

<https://www.raleigh.co.uk/gb/en/cycling-advice/riding-guide-cycling-to-school-safely/>

Please can we all help keep everyone safe by ensuring children dismount their scooters and bicycles as they enter the school grounds. Many thanks.

## Phonics Workshop

We would like to invite Parents/ Carers to attend an introduction to phonics workshop on Wednesday 14th September 2022 at 14:15 and will finish in time for the end of the school day.

The workshop aims to:

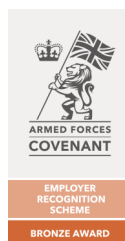
Outline what phonics is

Introduce the phonics scheme used in school

Provide ideas on how to help your child with their early reading.



While this workshop is aimed at Reception and Key Stage one parents and carers, we welcome anyone who would like to come along to learn a bit more about Phonics and how you can support your child in their early reading. Please confirm your attendance with the school admin office.





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## Road Safety

A reminder to please take more care driving in and around the school area. Please remember there is a 5mph speed limit on the drive. Parking in and around school is often congested at drop off and collection times, as are most schools around England. I ask all parents that you always consider where you park when dropping off and collecting your children. Yes, you may think you are parked sensibly and your car is not in the way or 'not harming anyone' where it is, but can children cross safely where you have parked? Will your car make it difficult for other cars to get past? Please spare a thought for all the local residents living around the school perimeter, especially in Cherry Tree Crescent, Baghdad Road, Delhi Square and the Costcutter car park. Please can we show full consideration and ensure we do not park on, or obstruct any driveways or paths. School are aware of Lincolnshire Police's visits to these areas and are warning parents they are issuing tickets where appropriate. Many thanks for helping to respect our neighbours.

## Exit on the Left

The one-way system in the morning is continuing to work really well with parents dropping their children off. Please make sure your child leaves their car via the passenger side of the car to avoid any accidents.

## Jeans for Genes

We will be taking part in this year's Jeans for Genes Day on Friday 23rd September 2022.

1 in 25 children has a genetic disorder that makes their life very difficult. That's equivalent to one child in every class. By wearing our jeans and donating, we will change the lives



of these children.

All children and staff are invited to wear their jeans on **Friday 23rd September**. We'd like everyone to take part so please encourage your child to come into school on the day wearing their jeans and with a £1 donation.

If you'd like to find out more about how our support will help, please visit their website at [jeansforgenes.org](https://jeansforgenes.org)

## Reading Force — Service Families

Please find an online resource which is designed for keeping Forces families close and connected through sharing stories.

There is support for forces and ex-forces families with free fun shared reading resources and activities.

See : <https://www.readingforce.org.uk/> for more details.

## School Policies

All of our School Policies can be found at <https://www.cranwell.lincs.sch.uk/policies.asp>

If you have any comments concerning our school policies, please do not hesitate to contact the school via [enquiries@cranwell.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@cranwell.lincs.sch.uk)



## Class Allocations

With a high transition of children leaving and entering the school during the summer, this was a task that could only be completed this week.

The way the numbers have fallen this year, classes have been organised as follows:

Two Foundation Stage Classes, One Year 1 class, two Year 2 classes, one Year 3 class, one mixed 3/4 class, one Year 4 class, two Year 5 classes and two Year 6 classes.

This year is really unusual, as we normally have a larger number of mixed classes.

Our curriculum is organised and flexible to allow for changes in class allocations and mixed class provision. We operate on a two-year rolling cycle which helps this in practice.

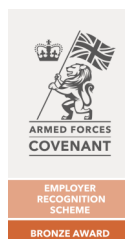
## Term Dates

### Academic Year 2022—2023

- Term 1 : ends — Fri 21st October 2022
- Term 2 : Mon 31st October — Fri 16th Dec 2022
- Term 3 : Wed 4th Jan—Fri 10th Feb 2023
- Term 4 : Mon 20th Feb—Fri 31st March 2023
- Term 5 : Tues 18th April—Fri 26th May 2023
- Term 6 : Mon 5th June—Fri 21st July 2023

### Academic Year 2021-2022

- Term 1 : Wed 6th Sept — Fri 20th October 2023
- Term 2 : Tues 31st Oct — Wed 20th Dec 2023
- Term 3 : Wed 3rd Jan — Fri 9th Feb 2024
- Term 4 : Mon 19th Feb — Thurs 28th March 2024
- Term 5 : Tue 16th April—Fri 24th May 2024
- Term 6 : Mon 3rd June—Fri 19th July 2024







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**CRANWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL  
IS HOSTING A**

**JOULES SECONDS**

IMPERFECT CATALOGUE RETURNS  
AND SAMPLES

**SALE**

Tickets  
**£5**

No Booking Fee

**Saturday 15th October 2022**

Choose and book your time slot:

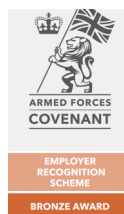
**1130, 1245 or 1400**

*(Children welcome at 1400 slot)*

**To book visit:**

**[www.ticketsource.co.uk/cranwell-primary-school](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/cranwell-primary-school)**

**CRANWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL  
Cranwell Avenue,  
NG34 8HH**





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**BRUSH SMILE REPEAT**

Brush your teeth twice a day with a fluoride toothpaste

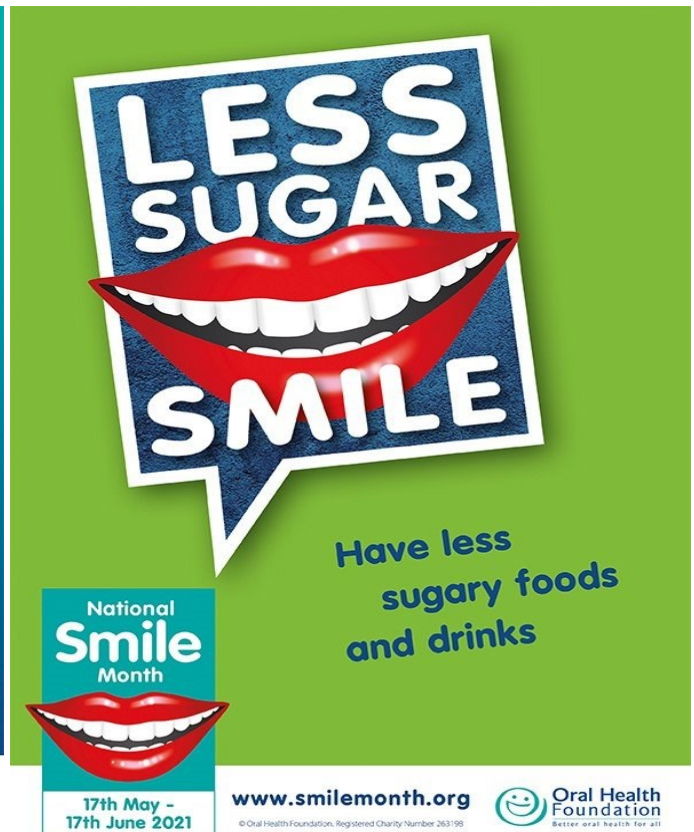
Have less sugary foods and drinks

Visit a dentist regularly

National Smile Month  
17th May - 17th June 2021

[www.smilemonth.org](http://www.smilemonth.org)

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For other resources please visit:

[www.dentalhealth.org](http://www.dentalhealth.org)

[www.dentalbuddy.org](http://www.dentalbuddy.org)



For childrens video's:

Cbeebies - Hey Dugee toothbrushing badge

- My Firsts - dental visit

Oral Health Foundation webiste

[www.dentalhealth.org](http://www.dentalhealth.org)

Further videos are available on the colgate website - [www.colgate.co.uk](http://www.colgate.co.uk)

For further information please visit [www.communitydentalservices.co.uk](http://www.communitydentalservices.co.uk)

