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Jeans for Genes

A big thank you to the children who supported Jeans for Genes Day on Friday 20th September 2024.

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.

As a School we raised £187 towards the charity.

If you'd like to find out more about how our support will help, please visit their website at www.jeansforgenes.org

Relationships & Sex Education – RSE

RSE curriculum has been compulsory in Primary Schools since 2020. [Relationships education \(Primary\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

We will be holding an information event concerning all aspects of RSE and how it is taught in our school on the 9th October 2024 at 14:00.

If you wish to attend, please email the school at enquiries@cranwell.lincs.sch.uk

Important Information Regarding Allergens

Here is the latest update from the FSA (Food Standards Agency) regarding the recent incident of mustard powder

contaminated with peanut. The source has been identified in India and a list of products affected is included in this link: <https://www.food.gov.uk/news-alerts/news/urgent-allergy-advice-mustard-ingredients-contaminated-with-peanuts>

Lincolnshire Food Education Team

Purchasing A Smart Phone for a Child?

Is it the right time to get my child a Smart phone? This is something we are asked a lot by Parents. A new film by the charity Nip in the Bud discusses the hidden dangers of social media and smartphone use among children. If you are considering getting your child a phone we would urge you to watch the film here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Zhfd0jW7iY&t=605s>

The film provides insights from children, headteachers and doctors, shedding light on the everyday harm caused by digital platforms.

You can read more information here which provides more options to consider around technology prior to purchasing smartphones for children.

<https://nipinthebud.org/fact-sheet/smartphones-and-social-media-fact-sheet/>

Next PTA Meeting

The next PTA Meeting takes place Today at 14:00 in school. All welcome.

Cranwell Primary School's



On Friday 18th October 2024, we will be holding our annual Safety Day.

We have planned a busy day full of fun activities whilst allowing the children to learn about differing aspects of safety.

Children are to wear their own clothes with the theme



...to encourage children to stay safe as the nights are getting darker.

Cranwell Primary School Presents

A BIG Breakfast

Join us on Friday 18th October for a whole school Breakfast. Let the teachers and staff serve up your breakfast!

Doors will open at 8:15am

£1 entrance per breakfast and all proceeds will be donated to the L. I. V. E. S.

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Don't forget to bring your pennies and try to fill our outline of a Heartbeat!

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Road Safety

A reminder to please take 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.

Disabled Parking Considerations

We have limited disabled parking on the school premises, and we do have families who require these.

We are unable to enforce this but please be considerate and keep these spaces free for those that require them.

To avoid any misunderstanding when using the disabled bays please display your Blue Badge.

We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

New Security Gate System

We would like to inform you that our new gate system is now up and running smoothly. As part of this new system, the gate will be closed promptly at 8.50am each day.

For the safety and security of our pupils, we kindly remind you that any children arriving after this time must be accompanied to the gate by a parent or guardian. Once at the gate, please call for access into the school.

Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring the smooth operation of our new gate system. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

Railway Safety

Due to increased incidents of trespass on railway lines locally. Learn Live have designed age appropriate videos to help children learn about Rail safety. Please find below a link for parents who can watch a free video at home.

Millions of students, parents and teachers from across the UK have already watched these videos which has led to a significant decrease in the number of fatalities and injuries in their area through watching the rail safety videos.

NEW Primary school version: Suitable for KS1 <https://learnliveuk.com/ks1-primary-school-safety-talk/>

NEW Primary school version: Suitable for KS2 <https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-primary-school-safety-talk>

NEW Secondary school version: Age 11-16 <https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-secondary-school-safety-talk/>

College & University version: Age 16 plus <https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-college-safety-talk-lnw>

Medical and Dental Appointments

We ask that you please make every effort to avoid booking medical and dental appointments during school time. Where this is unavoidable, parents/carers should put this in writing to the school office and attach a copy of the appointment card/ letter or show a member of office staff a text before the date of the appointment and then we will authorise the absence. Please also include the time you will need to collect your child.

If your child will be late into school because of a medical or dental appointment, please phone the school on the morning of the appointment and leave a message on the absence line before 8.30 am. If arriving late, please ensure that your child is accompanied and signed in by an adult at the school office for safeguarding reasons.

If no letter, appointment card or text message reminder can be provided we will not authorise the absence. Medical and dental appointments will normally only be authorised for a morning or afternoon session and not the whole day unless the reasons for this are explained.

School Admission Policy Consultation

All Schools Admission Policies must be consulted upon at least once every 7 years.

The consultation will be hosted on the school's website: <https://www.cranwell.lincs.sch.uk/Admissions.asp>

Consultation period: 01 October 2024 to 13 November 2024

Parent Interview Slips

Parents who have requested Parent Evening slips should have received these on Friday. Please contact your class teacher if you have not received a slip.

Using a Private Tutor?

If you are considering using private tutors for additional support for your child make sure you undertake the necessary safeguarding checks required, for instance... ensuring the tutor has an up to date Enhanced DBS Certificate.

Term Dates

Academic Year 2024-25

Term 1 : Wed 4th Sept — Fri 18th October 2024

Term 2 : Tues 29th Oct — Thurs 19th Dec 2024

Term 3 : Mon 6th Jan — Fri 14th Feb 2025

Term 4 : Mon 24th Feb — Fri 4th April 2025

Term 5 : Tue 22nd April — Fri 23rd May 2025

Term 6 : Tue 3rd June — Tue 22nd July 2025

Academic Year 2025-26

Term 1 : Thur 4th Sept — Thur 23rd October 2025

Term 2 : Mon 3rd Nov — Fri 19th Dec 2025

Term 3 : Tue 6th Jan — Fri 13th Feb 2026

Term 4 : Mon 23rd Feb — Thurs 2nd April 2026

Term 5 : Tue 21st April — Fri 22nd May 2026

Term 6 : Mon 1st June — Wed 22nd July 2026

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Christmas Events

Here are some of the Christmas events we have planned for your diary. More to follow.

Winter Fayre

Preparations for our Winter Fayre are well underway. The date is Thursday 28th November 2024 between 15:30 and 17:00.

If you wish to book a stall, please contact Mrs Dominique Thorpe, our PTA Chair at cranwellpta@gmail.com.

Tombola Collection

A Non-uniform Day will take place on Thursday 14th November 2024, to help collect items for our PTA Tombola for the Winter Fayre.

Please bring along a donation for the tombola. Your continued support is much appreciated.

Christmas Jumper Day

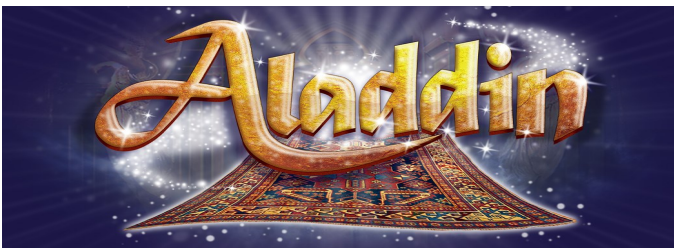
On Friday 6th December, We would like to invite your child to take part in celebrating the beginning of Advent. Please send your child to school in a Christmas Jumper (normal school trousers/skirt). There is no charge or donation required for this event.



Pantomime

This year, the whole school will be travelling to Newark Theatre to watch Aladdin

The School PTA have kindly donated towards the cost of the trip bringing the price down considerably. Information has already been sent out via Parentmail.



I want Technology for Christmas

Asked Santa for a computer? Games console?

Have you set up the correct restrictions for your child's age group?

Remember to chat with your children on an ongoing basis about staying safe online.

Not sure where to begin? These conversation starter suggestions can help.

Ask your children to tell you about the sites they like to visit and what they enjoy doing online.

Ask them about how they stay safe online. What tips do they have for you, and where did they learn them? What is OK and not OK to share?

Ask them if they know where to go for help, where to find the safety advice, privacy settings and how to report or block on the services they use.

Encourage them to help someone! Perhaps they can show you how to do something better online or they might have a friend who would benefit from their help and support.

Think about how you each use the internet. What more could you do to use the internet together? Are there activities that you could enjoy as a family?

Websites that can help you understand how to keep your child safe:

<http://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxMnZ02S11Abtlhq-m3rrVQ>

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Extra funding available for your child's education

Make sure your child's school is not missing out on an extra £2570 each year to support their education.

If you're caring for a child under a Special Guardianship Order (SGO), Adoption Order or Child Arrangements Order, additional funding is available to ensure they are given extra support at school.



Called Pupil Premium Plus (PP+), this funding of up to £2570 per pupil is available for pupils in Reception to Year 11 who were looked after and left care under an adoption*, special guardianship or child arrangements order (formerly residence order).

If your child has recently moved schools and you haven't informed the school of their status, you will need to contact the school as overleaf.

The school may not know of your child's situation, and it is up to you as their parent/guardian to ensure they know your child meets the criteria, so that they can apply for funding.

*Includes children adopted from state care or equivalent from outside of England and Wales



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What do you need to do?

Contact your child's Designated Teacher (DT) for previously looked after children. All schools have one.

You will then need to provide documentary evidence (court order) to the school. They will just need to verify that your child has left public care. They don't need to hold a copy on record.

By when?

Please let your child's school know by the second week in September to declare inclusion on the October Census Return so they don't miss out on additional support next year.

What is a Designated Teacher?

All schools have a designated teacher and they are responsible for supporting children who've been previously looked after to help them achieve well at school. Designated teachers should work effectively with parents and carers, undertake appropriate training and gain a good understanding of your child's needs to ensure they're receiving the best support.

Is the funding ring fenced to my child?

The funding is not ring fenced to an individual child. The school can spend the funding either directly on your child, or perhaps to train staff in how best to support children and young people who have been in care.

Where can I access more information and advice?

If you'd like more information on Pupil Premium Plus for previously looked after children, contact your school's Designated Teacher in the first instance. Or for more advice, contact the Lincolnshire Virtual School Team, email: virtualschool@lincolnshire.gov.uk



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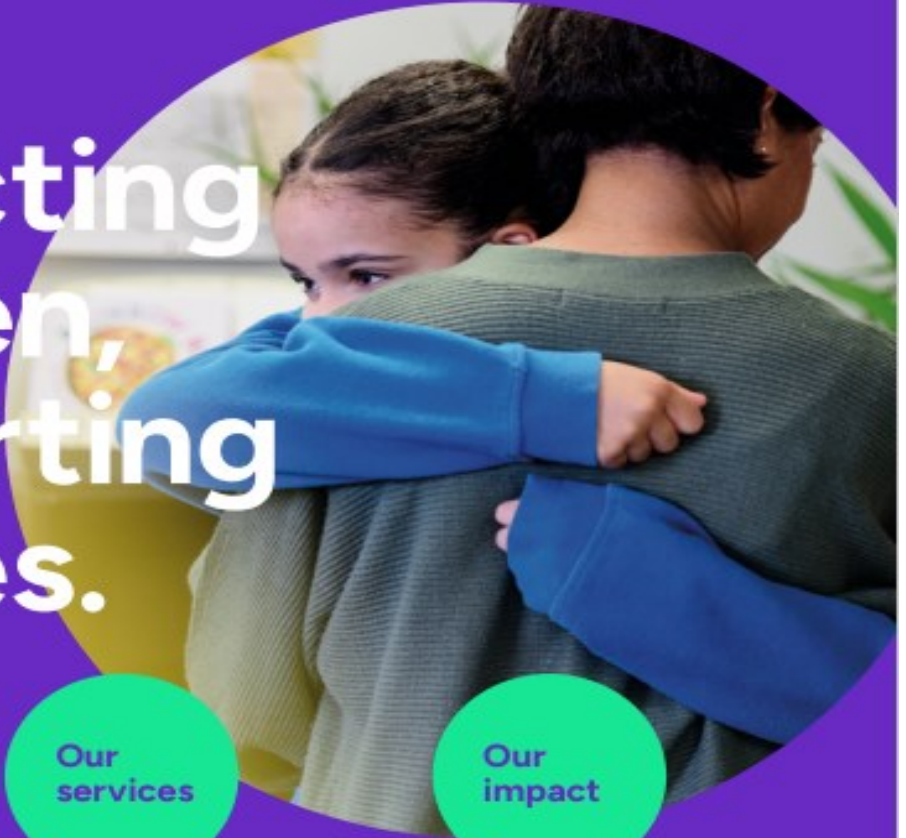


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 - Awareness raising webinars.
 - Lived experience consultation and campaign network.
- For professionals:**
- National training programme.

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[www.ivisontrust.org.uk/webinars](https://ivisontrust.org.uk/webinars)



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