

Cringleford CE VA Primary School

Autumn Term 2018-2019

Newsletter 2



21st September 2018

Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you to all those parents who were able to attend the curriculum meetings which have taken place so far. Please make sure you pick up an information pack from your child's class teacher if you were unable to attend.

Thank you, also, for working with us to get the children in on time for registration at 8.50 a.m. It certainly has helped lessons start promptly.

Recent news

- Over the last two weeks Year 4 and 5 pupils have been taking cycling proficiency lessons through the 'Bikeability' scheme.
- Year 6 pupils have thoroughly enjoyed their 'Play in a Day' World War 2 drama sessions and have performed impressively to parents and other classes. These sessions have really helped to launch their history topic work.
- This week all pupils have learned about how to keep themselves safe online. The following websites are useful ones for parents to access if they want to reinforce key messages at home:

Childnet <http://www.childnet.com/>

Internet Matters <http://www.internetmatters.org>

Think you know <http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk>

KidSMART <http://www.kidsmart.org.uk>

CBBC staysafe <http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/curations/stay-safe>

- Some Year 6 pupils took part in a hockey festival at the Norwich School
- The PTA held its AGM yesterday and it was good to see a number of new faces at the meeting. Please take note that the next meeting will take place at 7.30 p.m. on November 1st in the school. Please also note that the PTA website address has changed to:
<https://cringlefordschoolpta.org.uk>

Sponsored run

As part of the curriculum pack information to parents a letter was given out about a sponsored running event taking place next week. Parents of children in Reception have received a copy of that letter today and I have also attached a copy with this newsletter. It would be very helpful if your child could have trainers in school all next week in order for the daily running to take place. Depending on the weather, it may or may not be necessary to change footwear. The children in Reception and Year 1 are likely to run in their normal school shoes. Hopefully, all the children will enjoy our running challenge and everyone will be able to get at least one or two sponsors. I should have added on the original letter that all money raised after the event should be paid to the school via WisePay. Some children and parents might be interested to know that every Sunday morning at 9 a.m. at Eaton Park a large number of children take part in Parkrun – a timed 2k run. This is for all ages and several parents accompany the children. Children need to be registered to take part and download their own individual bar code. It is a great event and it would be good to see even more pupils from the school taking part.

<https://www.parkrun.org.uk/register/>

Parent Challenge -Walk/Run the Magic Mile with the PTA to raise money for the school.

On Friday 28th September the school's sponsored challenge to run 1000 miles finishes. The PTA like to support these sponsored events, and so this year will be asking parents to join us as we walk/run a magic mile from the school gates. Grab your trainers or walking shoes and meet us at the front of the school after 8.50am drop off. To raise money we are asking £5 to join us - all funds going to the school.

If you're a parent with a little one, please do bring them along in the buggy and remember it can be walked as well as run - this is all just for fun rather than a race!

For those who don't fancy the walk/run please come along to the post walk/run fundraising **coffee morning** from 9.30am on the 28th as every penny will help. Everyone is welcome, so please spread the word and get everyone in the school up for a bit of fun. If you'd like to donate a cake please drop them into the school office on Thursday 27th.

Thank you so much, we hope to see lots of you on the 28th.

The PTA

October 4th – Census Day / school lunch

October 4th is an important census information collection day for the school, with funding for school meals being determined by the number of pupils taking up the free school meals offered to all the pupils in Reception, Years 1 and 2 on that day. For this reason we hope that a particularly high number of pupils from those year groups will have a hot school lunch. The meals that day are as stated on the school menu (uploaded onto the school website):

- Main – Mediterranean chicken with pasta twists and garlic bread
- Vegetarian – cheese and potato pie
- Alternative choice – jacket potato with cheese and baked beans
- Dessert – fruit topped cheesecake

Medicines at school

I have attached a section from our Medical Conditions policy about the administration of medicines during the school day. Please note that children will only be given prescription or non-prescription medicines if written parental consent has been given. A medicine administration form can be obtained from the office. For further details please refer to the attached document.

Year 6 SATs meeting

Parents of children in Year 6 are invited to come in a briefing meeting on November 1st from 2.45 - 3.20 p.m. in the Year 6 classrooms to find out a bit more about the tests in May and also the support material which will be sent home in due course.

'Battle's Over' event on 11th November

Attached with the newsletter is an information sheet about an exciting event taking place at the Willow Centre on Sunday 11th November from 5 – 8 p.m. This is part of a nationwide 'Battle's Over' event and will include the lighting of a beacon. There is also the chance for the children to take part in a poster competition, which can be completed on a sheet of A4 paper (entry form attached). We also have some spare entry forms in the office.

Cake sale

The PTA Cake Sale is back on Thursday 27th September (3 – 3.30 p.m.), so please come along and support the school. It is Year 6's turn to provide the cakes / buns etc. Please could any donations (shop bought or home-made) be brought to the office on Thursday morning labelled with the ingredients – remember, no nuts! Help selling the cakes would be much appreciated. Please contact Elizabeth if you are able to help: elizabethcahir@googlemail.com Please also remember to label any containers if you would like these to be returned to you.

Individual and family group photos

A photographer will be in school on October 5th to take photos of pupils. Parents will be able to order copies of the photos. During the school day the photographer will take photos of individual pupils and siblings. Families with pre-school children can have a whole group photo taken from 8.30 a.m. Photos will be taken in the Adult Learning Room ALR) which is opposite Crackerjacks.

Message from St Peter's Church

- There is a special church service taking place this Sunday

School Sunday – Bring your Backpacks!

When? 0930 -1030 Sunday 23rd September

Where? St. Peter's Church, Newmarket Road, Cringleford

Come and celebrate our school and give thanks for all the work that is done here. There will be a Bible story performed by the Open the Book team with plenty of chance for everyone to get involved as well as songs and an opportunity to pray for all aspects of education. There will also be an opportunity to bring school backpacks to the front as we pray as a sign that wherever we go and whatever happens God is always there.

- There will also be a short course this term all about what the term 'a Church School' means

Church School: What's it all about?

When? 2pm -3.15pm on Thursdays 27/9, 4/10, 11/10, 1/11, 8/11, 15/11.

Where? The Community area of the school (opposite Crackerjacks).

Will there be coffee? Absolutely, and tea, and probably biscuits.

Do you have questions about what it means to be a church school?

- What is prayer and why do Christians do it?
- What are Christian beliefs and what exactly are Christian values?

Join Graham and Tim, your local ministers from St. Peter's Church, at informal drop in sessions to discuss these issues and anything else you'd like to raise.

For more information contact Graham on 01603 458467 or via email: revd.wilkins@gmail.com

Future diary dates

25 Sept	Year 1 trip to Dinosaur Park
25 Sept	Year 4 trip to West Stow
27 Sept	PTA Cake Sale – 3 – 3.30 p.m. (Year 6 to provide cakes please)
28 Sept	Final afternoon of sponsored run event
3 Oct	Parents of children in Reception will have the opportunity to learn about phonics, supporting children with reading and maths and learn about Forest School work on Wednesday October 3rd from 2 – 3 p.m. The session will be

repeated from 7.30 – 8.30 p.m. These sessions will take place in the Adult Learning Room – opposite Crackerjacks.

5 Oct	Individual and family group photographs
9 Oct	Harvest activities in classrooms – Reception Robin Class (9 a.m.)
11 Oct	Harvest activities in classrooms – Reception Dove Class (9 a.m.)
12 Oct	Year 4 trip to Norwich Cathedral
12 Oct	PTA school disco – various times after school (see attached sheet)
17 Oct	Year 1 Maths Café for parents in classrooms (9 – 10 a.m.)
17 Oct	Children’s last day of the half term (Wednesday)
29 Oct	Children re-start school

Reminders

- Sadly, we had one or two reported thefts of bicycles during the summer term. It is sensible to lock any bikes stored at the front of the school.
- Could those children who attend Voice Squad on Tuesday lunchtimes please bring in a packed lunch that day or order a school packed lunch.
- Parents who have not used a WisePay account before should have received a letter about signing up. This is the best way of paying for the vast majority of trips and events.
- The Young Film-makers Club is now taking bookings for sessions this term. This club will be taking place on Fridays after school in the school. To find out more details and book a place, please go to www.youngfilmmakersclub.co.uk If you have any questions about the club you can contact Tamion on 07985554975 or email: tamion@youngfilmmakersclub.co.uk
- The EDP has begun a Books for Schools campaign. Please go to the following link if you would like to support the school: <http://www.edp24.co.uk/going-out/books-for-schools-2018-free-books-for-schools-1-5702193>

Yours sincerely,

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