THE STUDY CENTRE IS OPEN FOR QUIET FAMILY READING FROM 8:15am to 8:40am EVERYDAY!

Thanks to Mrs Duffell, the weekly newsletter can be downloaded from our Cranmer website www.cranmer.merton.sch.uk

EVENTS FOR WEEK BEGINNING 26th JANUARY
MATHS, SCIENCE & ENGINEERING WEEK

Monday: Opal, Quartz & Ruby class visit to Science Museum 9.30am - 3.00pm; Year 2 & 3 Street Dance club 3.20pm - 4.20pm; Year 5 & 6 Fencing club 3.20pm - 4.20pm.
Tuesday: Amethyst, Coral, Moonstone Turquoise & Amber class visit to Science Museum 9.30am - 3.00pm; Year 5 & 6 Football club 3.20pm - 4.20pm; Year 4, 5 & 6 Street Dance club 3.20pm - 4.20pm; Intermediate Clay club 3.20pm - 4.20pm.
Wednesday: Diamond, Onyx, Pearl Garnet & Topaz class visit to Science Museum 9.30am - 3.00pm; Chess club 3.20pm - 4.20pm; KS2 Ball Skills 3.20pm - 4.20pm.
Thursday: Aqua, Jade & Jet class visit to Science Museum 9.30am - 3.00pm; Year 1 Street Dance club 3.30pm - 4.00pm; Year 3 & 4 Football club 3.20pm - 4.20pm; Choir 3.20pm - 4.20pm; Homework club 3.20pm - 4.20pm.
Friday: Amethyst class assembly (all family & friends warmly invited) 9.00am - 9.20am; Swimming Quartz class 2.00pm - 2.30pm; Turquoise class 2.30pm - 3.00pm; Opal class 3.00pm - 3.30pm; Year 1 & 2 Football club 3.20pm - 4.00pm; KS2 Basketball club 3.20pm - 4.20pm; Year 5 gifted and talented group visit KCJS 12.30pm - 4.00pm.

FRIDAY ASSEMBLIES
26th January ~ Amethyst
9th March ~ Opal
16th March ~ Crystal
23rd March ~ Year 4 Spring Assembly

FUTURE EVENTS:
Parent Consultation Meetings:
Monday 9th Feb 3:30 - 7pm
Wednesday 11th Feb 2:15-5:30pm
Book week 2nd - 6th March
(World book day 5th March)

Quote of the week: “For success, attitude is equally as important as ability.” - Walter Scott

CRANMER AND THE LUNCH BOWL CHARITY

The Lunchbowl Network was set up in 2006 in response to the plight of the orphaned and vulnerable children in the Kibera slum Nairobi. They operate completely on a voluntary basis and consequently an impressive 94% of all money raised goes direct to their cause.

Children at Cranmer managed to raise a huge £1,438, helping 4314 children! Well done to them for all their efforts.

Congratulations, and thank you to all those who got involved.

‘To work hard and be respectful every day; to believe and achieve, that’s the Cranmer way.’ Cranmer’s Golden Rule is a crucial component of our ethos and high standards. The Golden Rule underpins all that we do and applies equally to children, staff and the school community.

23rd January 2015
Congratulations to Aqua - for achieving the top attendance score of 99.7% for the week beginning 12th January. Well done to them! Hotly followed by Turquoise & Topaz on 99%

'GOLDEN TEATIME'

Every Friday afternoon, children who have been especially chosen by their classteacher for following Cranmer’s golden rule, will be able to have tea with Mrs Whymark. One child will be chosen from each class as a reward for their hard work, respect for others, and as a celebration of their achievements. They are: Jerusha, Rocco, Amy, Iniyal, Hiba, Jonty, Max, Skylar, Olivia, Thuvaragan, Leila, Samara, Dinoya, Libbie, Summer, Lillie-Mai, Aathy, Sam and Bola.

MYSTERY EGG?

Calling all Cranmer Parents...

Have you spotted something strange appear on the roof of the main entrance for the Crescent building? If you haven’t yet seen it... please go and have a look. There is a rather large egg on our roof and we know it wasn’t there on Friday, but strange things have been happening.....

Our Year 1 and Year 2 pupils are now investigating the bizarre arrival of the egg. We have lots and lots of questions! Who does it belong to? Where has it come from? Where is the mother?

If you can help please do let Mrs N Lone know!

PLEASE BE PUNCTUAL

100% punctuality is the expectation at Cranmer because we believe that it is essential that pupils appreciate the importance of punctuality in work and in life. The school day at Cranmer starts at 8:40am and children should be ready to enter their classroom at this time.

Regular lateness disadvantages the child, as he/she is likely to miss the instructions for the day. This results in extra work for the teacher, disruption for the class, and, most importantly, can cause stress for the child. **Children should arrive for the 8.40 a.m. bell and for the start of registration.** Children who arrive after 8:40am are late. Lateness is recorded in the register as ‘L’. The reason for late arrival is recorded as this information should be given by the parent/carer. Continual lateness is monitored and a letter sent to parents.

There are two lateness marks in the register: If a child arrives before 9.10am the lateness mark is an ‘L’ for ‘present late’, but if a child arrives at or after 9.10am when the register closes, it will be marked as an ‘unauthorised absence’. Children arriving after the close of registers more than 10 times could make parent/carer liable to a Penalty Notice (a fine of £120 for each parent/carer).
REACHING NEW HEIGHTS

Our very own Jodie Finch will be embarking on a ten day trek up Mount Kilimanjaro next month (12th-22nd Feb) to raise money for Great Ormond Street Hospital Children’s Charity!

If anyone would like to donate or sponsor Jodie you can do so by visiting her just giving page: https://www.justgiving.com/Jodie-Finch/ alternatively, you can request a sponsorship form to complete.

If you spot Miss Finch and wish to know any more about the trek or how the money raised is going to be spent please ask and she would be happy to explain.

Thank you!

CELEBRATING MERTON’S GOLDEN JUBILEE

WEEK COMMENCING 9th FEBRUARY 2015

Cranmer has been invited to enter a competition in which children will design a Golden Jubilee logo. Based on the Merton Coat of Arms and should depict elements of the last 50 years of Merton history.

The competition is open to all classes in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 and the designed will be completed during school.

A REMINDER ABOUT WHO TO ADDRESS ANY CONCERNS TO

We do suggest that parents contact their child’s class teacher, firstly, with any issues regarding any class related matters. It is most important that any concerns about another child within the class are addressed with a member of staff and not to the child or parent concerned. This is our standard school protocol which we ask all parents to respect.

Then, parents are invited to contact the Director of Learning who line manages your child’s class teacher with any unresolved concerns. Mrs Caird oversees Nursery and Reception Classes; Mrs Lone oversees Years 1, 2 & 3 within the two-form building, Mr Smith oversees Years 4, 5 & 6 and Mrs Magill oversees our one-form community of Emerald, Onyx, Moonstone, Quartz and Jet classes.

You can contact them via email on office@cranmer.merton.sch.uk; stating who you wish to contact. Alternatively, you can contact them via the school number on 020 8648 2621.

Any issues that may remain unresolved at this stage please contact Mrs Whymark.

PARENTS’ OPEN EVENINGS

ADVANCE NOTICE

These will take place on Monday February 9th and on Wednesday February 11th. These are important mid-year consultations regarding pupil progress and targets for learning.

We do hope you will put these dates in your diaries. We are always so appreciative of parents’ support at these meetings and we are very committed to working in partnership with you.

CONTACTING THE HEADTEACHER

As Headteacher I am committed to being available and will always endeavor to be here to respond to parents’ requests to see me. If parents wish to contact me, and are unable to come into school, I can be contacted via my PA Miss Natalie Ferguson on the school number 020 8648 2621 - or via email on Headteacher@cranmer.merton.sch.uk.

It is always best to make an appointment if you wish to see me just to ensure I am here for you.
CRANMER TERM DATES 2014 / 2015

Autumn term 2014

- Mon 1st Sept, Tues 2nd Sept and Wed 3rd Sept ~ staff training days (one extra closure day due to expansion and building works)
- First day for children in Y1 - Y6: Thursday 4th September 2014
- Home / setting visits for new Reception pupils 4 - 5th September 2014
- Week beginning Monday 8th September staggered start for Reception pupils (exact start dates for individual pupils will be provided)
- Week beginning Monday 15th September Reception pupils full time in school
- Thursday 16th October 2014 ~ Staff twilight 3:30-5:30pm
- Half term: Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October 2014
- Last day for the children: Friday 19th December 2014

Spring term 2015

- Monday 5th January 2015 ~ Staff training day
- First day for children: Tuesday 6th January 2015
- Half term: Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February 2015
- Thursday 19th March 2015 ~ Staff twilight 3:30-5:30pm
- Last day for the children: Friday 27th March 2015

Summer term 2015

- First day for the children: Monday 13th April 2015
- Half term: Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2015
- Monday 1st June 2015 ~ Staff training day
- Last day for the children: Friday 17th July 2015 ~ We finish one day earlier than proposed Merton dates as we have worked this day in twilights so we have Monday 20th July 2015 in lieu.

OUR TEXT SYSTEM

We use our text system to be able to communicate reminders or urgent messages to parents and carers. Please note however we cannot respond to any replies. If you have an enquiry please contact the school office on 02086482621 or via email on office@cranmer.merton.sch.uk

If you haven’t received a text via your mobile phone then your mobile telephone number needs to be updated on our information system. Contact the school office urgently to do this please.

BIKES ON SITE

Please remember that although bikes and scooters are allowed to be left on the school site during the school day, they are left at owners own risk and should be locked. They are not allowed to be left overnight.