Cranmer Primary School

'Creating a community of caring, collaborative, critical and creative thinkers.'

Issue 4 – 2nd October 2020

Message from Mr Roughley

Having now reached the end of my first month at Cranmer, I have been delighted to see how friendly and supportive all parents and carers are towards the school, and that as parents and carers, you are very committed to supporting your child's learning. There is clearly a strong sense of community here at Cranmer.

As you know, the current arrangement of closing early on a Friday was put in place for the first half term of the school year, until Friday 23rd October. We are currently reviewing this with the governing body and we will update you very soon on arrangements for after the half term holiday. This will also include information on our plans for breakfast club and after school care which are at an advanced stage.

You may be aware that at various points during the last few weeks some of our staff have been absent from school due to ill health. At this point, I am pleased to say that we have had no positive tests for Covid-19 here at Cranmer. Of course we hope that this will continue to be the case, but if it were to change, we will of course notify you. I will use this weekly newsletter to keep you informed.

School Photographs

The school photographer will be coming in on Thursday 8th and Friday 9th October for individual photographs (not sibling).

On Thursday 8th this will be for all classes except Year 1 and Opal class.

On Friday 9th October – this will be for Year 1 and Opal class only .

Road Safety

We would like to remind parents and carers how important it is to cross the road safely on the main road, outside of the school gates.

We encourage all parents to use the pedestrian crossing to ensure the safety of all.

We thank you all for your co-operation.

STAR OF THE WEEK

Every week, one child is chosen from each class who has achieved especially marked results in work, behaviour or kindness.

DATE: 21st September to 25th September 2020

CRYSTAL Sonny – for being so brave.	**EMERALD** Ariana H – for being helpful, kind, and always listening.	**SAPPHIRE** Zuzanna – for always playing kindly and using kind words to her friends.
DIAMOND Maxwell – for always making fantastic choices.	**ONYX** Ibraheem – for always being helpful around the classroom.	**PEARL** Marwa – for trying really hard with her phonics.
AMETHYST Tianna – for being kind and helpful to her friends.	**CORAL** Eli – for always working hard in the classroom.	**MOONSTONE** Bailey – for his fantastic sentences in English.
OPAL Jenicka – for good work.	**TURQUOISE** Maria-Gracia – a kind and nurturing nature, that she has used to help others to learn.	**QUARTZ** Emily – for putting maximum effort into all tasks and helping others.
AQUAMARINE Thanushka – for her amazing support to her learning during class input.	**JADE** Yunaad – you have had an excellent week.	**JET** Allan – for working hard in all areas of learning.
RUBY Sahana – for being resilient with her writing and working hard to complete her work.	**AMBER** Naimah – For working hard and being a great role model.	**STARLITE** Peter – for persevering with his story writing. We got there!
GARNET Kevin – for his detailed explanations when 'diving deep' in Maths.	**TOPAZ** Rafael – for continuing his learning at home while isolating.	**ANGELITE** Joshua – for being resilient when writing 'The Story Bag'.

Outstanding Attendance

Cngratulations to Crystal class and Emerald class for achieving the top attendance score of 100% for the week beginning 21st September.

Well done to them!

Merton Libraries Online Events October 2020

Skittleman

Children's magic entertainment

Monday, 5 October 4.30pm
Facebook Live

LibrariesWeek 5-10 OCTOBER 2020

Solar System Superhero

Join Fizz Pop Science on a whizz through space with Stink the Solar System Superhero

Thursday, 8 October 4pm
Facebook Live

LibrariesWeek 5-10 OCTOBER 2020

Puppet Show

Join Little House Story House for a special Black History Month event. Enjoy traditional songs and puppet stories.

Saturday 10 October 3.30pm
Facebook Live

LibrariesWeek 5-10 OCTOBER 2020

Online crafts

Our colleagues Ruma and Laura will be doing easy crafts throughout the month of October. Try them at home with your kids.

Facebook

Alice in Wonderland*

Join Magical Quests for this fun show! You'll meet the White Rabbit, the Mad Hatter and more!

Wednesday 28 October, 11am
Zoom. Booking required.
Tickets: www.mertonlibraries.eventbrite.co.uk

BBC THE NOVELS THAT SHAPED OUR WORLD

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MertonArtsSpace

Storytelling for Children

Celebrate Black History Month with storyteller Wendy Shearer who will be bringing Caribbean folktales, myths and legends to life.

Tuesday, 6 October 4pm
Zoom.
Tickets: www.mertonlibraries.eventbrite.co.uk

LibrariesWeek 5-10 OCTOBER 2020

We're Going on a Story Hunt!

Join storyteller John Kirk for a storytelling scavenger hunt.

Saturday, 10 October 11am
Zoom. Booking required.
Tickets: www.mertonlibraries.eventbrite.co.uk

LibrariesWeek 5-10 OCTOBER 2020

Rhymetimes

Join our colleague Caprice for rhymes and songs.

Monday 5, Wedneday 7 October 11am
Friday 9 October 12.30pm
Facebook Live

LibrariesWeek 5-10 OCTOBER 2020

Creative Writing Workshop*

Join artist Richard and the Merton Centre for Independent Living for a creative writing and poetry workshop based on your favourite stories.

Thursday 22 October, 11am
Zoom. Booking required.
Tickets: www.mertonlibraries.eventbrite.co.uk

BBC THE NOVELS THAT SHAPED OUR WORLD

Storytelling for Adults*

Join storyteller Wendy Shearer for this Black History Month special storytime for adults

Friday 30 October, 7.30pm
Zoom. Booking required.
Tickets: www.mertonlibraries.eventbrite.co.uk

BBC THE NOVELS THAT SHAPED OUR WORLD

***PLEASE NOTE**: These events will be filmed as part of the Novels That Shaped Our World Libraries Programme. If you don not wish to be part of the filming please let us know when booking.
Any queries please contact:
marketing.assistant@merton.gov.uk

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MITCHAM TOWN COMMUNITY TRUST, NATIONAL LOTTERY AND HEALTHIER DIMENSIONS

Present

AN INTRODUCTION TO MINDFULNESS AND SELF COMPASSION

When: *Oct 5th,12th,19th, Nov 2nd,9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th (8 weekly sessions, term time only)*
Time: *9.30am – 11am*
Place: *secure online platform*
Facilitator: *Hulya Kusella*
Level*: Beginners; personal development*
Free for all participants (but please note places are limited)

'Mindfulness' is being with what is in the present moment. It can help us decide where we choose to focus our attention and increase our awareness to learn to be kinder and loving towards ourselves. Both Mindfulness and Self compassion can bring greater ease to our well- being, increase resilience that can assist us through the challenges and franticness of everyday life.

To book your place on the next programme, please email Hulya at hulyakus@healthierdimensions.com **ASAP**. Please note, that there is some pre-paperwork completion needed before you can be registered on the course and therefore, individuals will need to contact the facilitator directly for their interest.

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Free Family Learning online—short courses—on Zoom

Themed courses with activities—ideal for families with and without young children *—Be creative and have fun together or finding some me time to—keep happy and feel positive. "Our online groups are small, friendly and relaxed"*

Monday—mornings—28th Sept to 19th Oct– 10am to 12

Beginners Knitting —Craft and cultural histories—for grown ups.

You will develop / learn knitting skills, including—casting on/off as well as your basic knit and pearl stitches. Not only will you learn to knit either a cushion, scarf or stoll, you will also be introduced to the creative culture and history of knitting around the world. *Learn a skill and make a gorgeous gift!*

Monday—after school —5th Oct to 9th November— 4-6pm

How to Help with Homework for Key stage 1 and 2 parents.

This course will provide crucial support for parents who may lack confidence when helping with their children's homework. There will be time each week for Reception/Year 1&2 curriculum content and an time for Years 3-6. The course content will evolve over time, depending on specific needs of the participants, but a broad outline of content will cover the English and Mathematics curriculum.

Tuesday mornings—29thSept to 20th Oct
10 am-12:00 **World Story Bags**

Create resources and develop your crafting skills inspired by two stories from different cultures around the globe.
Books may include—Handa's Hen, Granny went to Market or Walking through the Jungle.
For parents with our without their children. Get creative - decorating a bag and sewing using resources from around the home.

For all of these courses you will need a smartphone or computer with Internet access.
For more information or to book a place please text or email, – Hayley on 07810 836811 or Hayley.holliday@citylit.ac.uk

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Secondary School Admissions Information

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/cranmerpssurrey/

Open Evening Information – 2021 Intake

Due to the current situation regarding COVID-19, Merton schools have decided to replace their traditional open evenings with virtual events. Please check each school's website for up to date information.

The following table gives the information currently available together with the website address for each school.

Merton School	School web address and 2020 open event information
Harris Academy Merton	www.harrismerton.org.uk for more information
Harris Academy Morden	www.harrismorden.org.uk for more information
Harris Academy Wimbledon	www.harriswimbledon.org.uk for more information
Raynes Park High School	www.rphs.org.uk Information will be available on the school website from 24th September 2020.
Ricards Lodge High School	www.ricardslodge.merton.sch.uk A virtual event is planned for Friday 2nd October 2020 from 4.00pm via the school website. The event will be available for viewing until close of applications.
Rutlish School	www.rutlish.merton.sch.uk Information will be available on the school website from 21 September.
St Mark's Church of England Academy	www.stmarksacademy.com for more information
Ursuline High School	www.ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk Virtual open event on 17 September 5-9pm, to include a head teacher's talk, an opportunity to download the school prospectus, a virtual tour, a live Q&A session and a range of department videos where staff and students will share more about the life at Ursuline. To register for the virtual tour, please visit www.ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk/admissions/sign-up-for-virtual-tour-2020/
Wimbledon College	www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk for more information

Open evening dates for schools outside Merton are available from individual school websites.

Important dates

The key dates for the Transfer to Secondary process can be found in the following table.

Please ensure that you meet the date for submitting your online application. Submitting a late application could seriously jeopardise your chances of being offered a place at one of your preferred schools.

Date	Activity
September to October 2020	Online applications can be made.
23 October 2020	Recommended date for parents to submit their application if they are applying using a paper form.
31 October 2020	Closing date for supplementary forms for Ursuline High School.
31 October 2020	Closing date for supplementary forms for Wimbledon College.
31 October 2020	Closing date for applications. Applications received after this date will be regarded as late.
10 December 2020	Last date to amend applications following selective school testing
11 December 2020	Closing date for applications that have been classified as 'late for good reason'. The reason and evidence must also be included with the application. For more information on late applications visit the website.
1 March 2021	Offer day. Letters are posted to applicants who applied using a paper form. Parents who applied online will be able to view the outcome of their application from the evening of 1 March.
May to June 2021	Admissions appeals.
July 2021	Students transferring to Merton secondary schools spend a day at their new school.

Burntwood School Virtual Open Event

Burntwood School is delighted to be hosting a virtual open event next week.

The event takes place on Tuesday, 6th October, at 6.30pm.

The event will include a student led tour of the school, presentations from the Principal and other staff, as well as a live Q&A session. Further information on the event can be found on our website: www.burntwoodschool.com

The John Fisher School Admission Arrangements 2021-2022

Parents and carers applying for places at The John Fisher School in Years 7 to 11 in the academic year 2021-2022 are asked to note the following statement in relation to Mass Attendance set out in the school's admission arrangements.

On the advice of the Education Commission of the Archdiocese of Southwark, the governing body of The John Fisher School has agreed the following statement as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.

"The suspension of the obligation to attend Sunday Mass was announced on 18th March 2020 by the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. If a parent or carer attended Mass at a particular parish (or parishes) prior to 18th March 2020 then they will be considered to have attended Mass in that parish (or parishes) regularly since that time. This will remain the case until the Sunday obligation is reintroduced by the Bishops."

Governing body of The John Fisher School
September 2020

For further information please visit the school website or contact the school directly at admissions@johnfisherschool.org

Harris Wimbledon Virtual Open Days & Evenings

Virtual Open Evening - Tuesday 6th October at 5pm

Virtual Open Mornings will be held on the following dates:
Thursday 8th October
Tuesday 13th October
Thursday 15th October

Please click here to register - Registration for all events will close on Friday 2nd October.
For information regarding Academy Admissions please click here

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Wimbledon College

Evidence of Catholic Practice in Supplementary Information Forms following the Coronavirus outbreak

On the advice of the Education Commission of the Archdiocese of Southwark the governing body of Wimbledon College has agreed the following statement in order to clarify how its faith-based oversubscription criteria will be interpreted whilst churches are closed or attendance at church is not possible due to COVID 19. This statement has been shared widely with parishes in order to ensure that determinations made by parish priests concerning regular practice of the faith are being made on a consistent basis.

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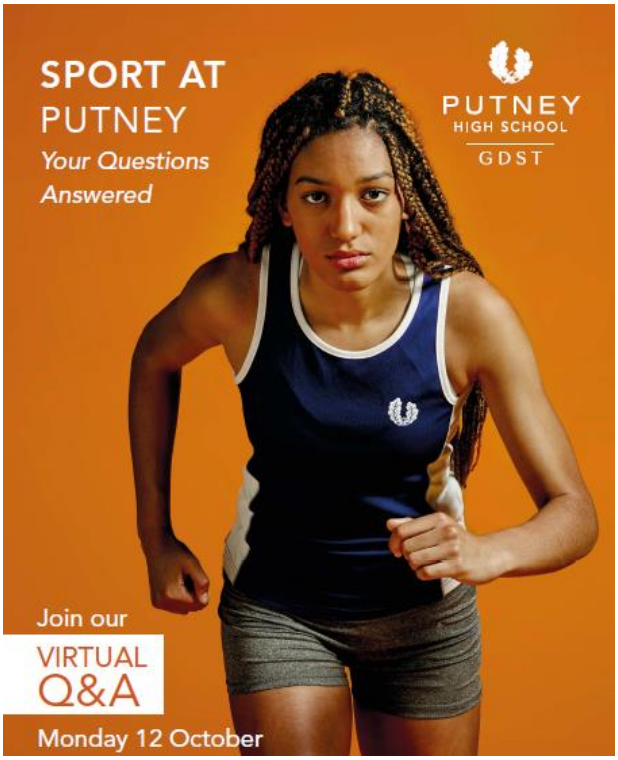
Harris Academy Merton Year 6 Virtual Open Event

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are pleased to present the Harris Academy Merton Virtual Open Day and thank you for your interest in your child joining our Academy's community in Year 7, September 2021. We are sure that you have many questions now and will do throughout the year, so we have compiled this handy FAQ booklet (here) to which you can refer.

If you need further clarification on anything, please do not hesitate to contact Ms A White, Assistant Principal - Year 7 Lead at the Academy. Information regarding the admissions process can be found on the Academy website.

Putney High School Virtual Open Days



Our entrance test will be **Wednesday 6th January 2021**. The deadline for applications is **Monday 2nd November 2020**.

Our Virtual Open Days & Scholarship Q&As are available to book via the school website admissions page https://www.putneyhigh.gdst.net/open-days/

We very much look forward to continuing to work with you as we move into the autumn term and would be delighted to talk more with you. I will be in touch shortly, or please do contact us on admissions@put.gdst.net

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