

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2025

## Archbishop Cranmer CE Academy Newsletter

### *A note from Mrs Stevens*

Welcome back – I hope you all had a good break. Time seems to have flown by and I can't believe we've already started our final half term, which has begun as we mean to go on – busily! This week alone all classes have visited St Thomas' Church for Pentecost workshops, there have been transition events for Year 6, a Roman Day at Bestwood for Y3, Road Safety Classes for Y5 & 6 and a choir visit to Barnby Road Academy. Coming up we have end-of-year assessments for Years 1–5 and lots of sports activities, transition events, celebration assemblies, more trips and workshops and of course, the Year 6 leavers' service.

Staffing plans for next year are still being finalised, and I will share details as soon as everything is confirmed.

### Summer Show

Adding to the excitement is our much-anticipated Key Stage 2 production of *The Wizard of Oz*. Rehearsals have commenced and the children are already showing real talent and enthusiasm. We can't wait to share the magic of the Emerald City with you!

As with any performance, rehearsals are essential and form a meaningful part of our curriculum. For Year 6, this is a key moment in their school journey and their rehearsal time is carefully balanced alongside their continued work on the Year 6 curriculum and Y6-7 transition projects in English and maths. The production also fulfils elements of the English and Music curriculum for all involved.

For Key Stage 2 pupils who are not in the lead cast but are taking part in the chorus or additional roles, rehearsals are timetabled thoughtfully and remain engaging, creative and fun. For those who would like to take on extra responsibilities—such as dancing or backstage support—we offer further opportunities during the school day. Every child's contribution is valued and it is this collective effort that makes the production such a memorable event in our school calendar.

We thank you for your support in encouraging all our pupils to take part positively. It's through shared experiences like this that they build lasting memories and grow in confidence together.

### Gold Railway Safety Award – Earned Again!

We are delighted to share that our school has once again achieved the *Gold Railway Safety Certificate*. This award recognises our ongoing commitment to keeping children safe near railways – a particularly important focus given our proximity to the East Coast Main Line.

Our success is the result of pupils' excellent engagement with safety workshops, assemblies led by the Network Rail education team and the consistent reinforcement of key safety messages across the curriculum. Well done to everyone involved!



## Thy Kingdom Come

This week, the children have been taking part in a series of creative and reflective craft activities as part of *Thy Kingdom Come*, a global prayer initiative that invites people (of all ages) to explore prayer in new and meaningful ways. We are very grateful to Clare and Tim from St Thomas' Church for organising and leading these special sessions.

*Thy Kingdom Come* runs from **29th May to 8th June 2025**, and families are warmly invited to get involved at home. Whether through daily reflections, prayer walks, or simple moments of stillness, there are plenty of family-friendly resources available on the website: [www.thykingdomcome.global](http://www.thykingdomcome.global). Do take a look if you'd like to continue the conversations and reflections at home — it's a lovely way to explore faith and spirituality together



## Packed Lunch Reminder

Following advice from Nottinghamshire Environmental Health, we are asking all parents who send packed lunches to ensure they are provided in an insulated lunch bag or box with an ice pack. This helps keep food safe until lunchtime.

If you are unable to provide an ice pack and insulated bag, the recommendation is to send low-risk food items (e.g. no meat or dairy fillings).

## Help Us #RebuildTheLibrary – and Win Big!

We're calling on all parents and carers to **nominate our school** for the *National Book Tokens* #RebuildTheLibrary competition. It's a brilliant chance to **WIN £1,000** of book tokens to refresh our school library – plus **£300** to help us make the space even more inviting for our children.

### **Here's how you can help:**

- 🌟 **Nominate us** using the quick online form
- 🌟 **Spread the word** – the more nominations, the better our chances!
- 🌟 **You could WIN too!** One lucky nominator for each winning school will receive a **£100 National Book Token** to spend in their favourite bookshop

Reading for pleasure has a huge impact on children's wellbeing, learning, and life chances. We would love to be able to give our children an even more vibrant and inspiring library..

**Nominate us today and help make a difference!**

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## Feeling Proud – Active Lives



- Over the term break, Jake volunteered at a local care home, playing the piano for the residents for two and a half hours. We're also delighted to share that Jake's artwork has been selected for publication in the *Young Artists* "Mythical Madness" book—what a wonderful achievement!

- Joshua had an exciting weekend playing for his U11 Radcliffe football team. After both halves of the squad reached the semi-finals, Joshua's team went on to win the final—what a fantastic result!

- Luca had a brilliant Saturday, helping his team win their football tournament. They scored 19 goals and didn't concede a single one—an incredible performance!
- Finley was proud to receive his end-of-season medal, recognising all his hard work and commitment throughout the football year. Well done, Finley!
- Isabel has completed her first set of climbing lessons and earned her NICAS Level 1 award. A fantastic achievement—congratulations, Isabel!
- Finn has been made an Assistant Lodge Leader at Bottesford Beavers—an exciting step in his Scouting journey and a great recognition of his leadership skills.
- Aniyah completed a half marathon at junior parkrun—an amazing show of determination and stamina. We're so proud of you!
- Winky had a busy half term, winning a silver medal in a gymnastics competition and completing ski fast track lessons—brilliant work!
- Aimee impressed at the English Espoir Championships, delivering a stunning ribbon routine and taking 3rd place in the U11 Bronze category. Well done, Aimee!
- Henry has been awarded his Level 5 swimming certificate—great progress in the pool!
- Lucy is also celebrating swimming success, earning her Stage 5 certificate and badge. Well done, Lucy!

Thank you to everyone who shared these proud moments—we love celebrating the successes of our fantastic pupils!



Congratulations to all the children who were celebrated in our Golden Assembly today! We are very proud of you all.

### Summer Fair

**CRANMER CUP  
& SUMMER FAIR**

Take part in our first family team event. Beat the goalie, hoop toss, egg & spoon race, and many more. 10 events, suitable for all ages. Medals & prizes to be won!  
(4 per team, at least 2 children)

**£10 PER FAMILY**

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

- bouncy castle •
- games •
- stalls •
- prizes •
- sweet/savoury snacks •
- ice creams •
- licensed bar/drinks •

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June**  
3:30–7pm  
School field (weather permitting)

Fundraising for Archbishop Cranmer School & Cranmer Preschool


Join up with your friends or other families if needed to make a team of four people (at least two children per team). There are 10 fun events to complete which are suitable for all ages and abilities, no long distance running required! Each event takes a few minutes to complete, earns you a score, and your completed score cards are then submitted. Winners and prize giving will be announced on the day.

Stalls and games with prizes available so plenty to do even if you choose not to take part in the competition.

Entry tickets will be available on the day (cash/card payments accepted).

**Food and licensed bar/drinks will also be available (cash/card payments accepted).**

Any help would be greatly appreciated. Please get in touch with the team at [cranmerpreschoolcommittee@hotmail.com](mailto:cranmerpreschoolcommittee@hotmail.com) or bring any donations to preschool. Many thanks, Alex Robinson, Preschool Committee Chair

Diary Dates 	
Thur 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photos Cranmer Connect 3:30-4:30 school hall – all welcome
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> June	KS1 potted sports 1:45/2pm
Tue 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports' Day 9:15
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Book Fair after school until Tue 24 <sup>th</sup> June Y1 & 2 Time Travelling at Southwell Minster
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer Fayre 3:30 – 7pm
Thur 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 visit to Capital One
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Book fair commences – until 24 <sup>th</sup> June.
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup> July	KS2 Knipton Cricket & Countryside Day Y6-Y7 Kings transition day.
Thur 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Y6-Y7 Belvoir transition day
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Thank You Tea (by invitation)
Thur 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Cranmer Connect 3:30-4:30 school hall – all welcome
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6-Y7 Toothill transition day KS2 Summer Show week commences Performance times tbc
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers' Service at St Thomas' a.m. 9:15
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Parent/carer 'drop-in' evening following school reports
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Games day Break up for end of school year
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept	INSET day
Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	INSET day
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	Return to school for AY 2025-26

We're really looking forward to our Potted Sports and Sports Day events, but as you'll appreciate, these are entirely weather dependent. We'll do everything we can to go ahead as planned, but if conditions are too wet or unsafe, we may need to make a last-minute decision to postpone. We understand this can be frustrating, but the safety and enjoyment of the children is our top priority. We'll keep you informed as soon as possible—thank you for bearing with us and for your continued support.



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## FAMILY FESTIVAL

A fun family festival for 0-16 years with inspiring activities, performances & stalls to empower children to build positive mental health.

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