



Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 2025

## Archbishop Cranmer CE Academy Newsletter

*Striving for Life in all its Fullness John 10:10*



### Careers Week 2025: Inspiring Futures!

Our final week of half term has once again been an amazing experience with our *Careers Week!*

The children have had the opportunity to explore a vast array of careers through interactive workshops and presentations from our inspirational volunteers.

This year, we've had the privilege of learning about careers in medicine, engineering, beauty, design, computing, journalism, marketing, fencing (sports), piloting, policing, detective work, science, boat building, piano tuning, cardiac physiology, garden design, forestry, and so much more!

A huge *thank you* to our parents and carers who have supported us in making this possible: Laura Garvican, Dan Broad, Gemma King, Pawel Chmielarczyk, Natalie Max, Lorraine Mullally, Corozone Slater, Andrew Key, Penny Sauers — we really appreciate you!

This week has been an invaluable experience for our children, helping them see the endless possibilities that lie ahead. After all, *they can only be what they can see!* There isn't space here to share all the photos from this brilliant week – have a look at our [careers highlight for more!](#)

We'll definitely be holding another **Careers Week** next year. If you or someone you know would like to take part, please get in touch—we'd love to hear from you! We plan these activities well in advance so it is never too early to let us know.



## Celebrating Mid-year Achievements

As we reach the halfway point of the academic year, our staff feels immensely proud of our wonderful school community and of all the children's achievements so far. Feedback from careers' volunteers has been overwhelmingly positive, with special mention of our students' conduct, enthusiasm and engagement.

**A Community to Be Proud Of** ...Our pupils continue to impress external visitors with their:

- Excellent behaviour
- Insightful questions
- Remarkable representation of our school values

We are very fortunate to have such characterful young people who consistently demonstrate the very best of our school's spirit and I am sure you parents are very proud of them too!

While we celebrate our successes, we also understand that perspectives can vary. If you've heard any concerns or have questions about our school's approach, I'm always available to provide clarity, explain our policies and share the reasoning behind our decisions, ensuring you receive accurate information. My door is always open - a direct conversation is always the best way to understand our school's commitment to your children's education and allows us to address any issues promptly and effectively.

## Opportunity to View Your Child's Work

Ahead of our upcoming parent/carer consultation evening, we would like to invite you to take a look at your child's work and books to see some of their amazing achievements. This will be on **Tuesday 25th February from 3:30 to 5:30 pm**.

If you are unable to attend during this time, we would be happy to arrange for some books to be available before or after your consultation appointment. Please note, this is an opportunity to review your child's work independently and is separate from the parent consultation meeting. If you have not been able to book an appointment using the online system, please let us know.

## Arbor Update

We are delighted that 100% of our children now have an adult registered on Arbor! To ensure both parents/carers receive important school information, we encourage all parents to sign up. If you haven't yet done so, or have any questions, please contact the school office.

We are slowly moving our clubs/trips/activities onto Arbor. Please follow the link to help with signing up your child for a club/activity in school. [Signing my child up for a Club on the Parent Portal or Parent App – Arbor Help Centre](#)

## Well-being Fundraiser

Can you help us with raising funds for our Well-Being Hub? This is an initiative that began after a Mental Health Week when our children identified a need for a dedicated space of their own in school. Their vision is for an outdoor Well-Being Hub—a peaceful retreat that children and adults in our school community could use.

We are incredibly grateful for the donations received so far, but we still need your help—especially from our **new parents!** If you are able, please **share our fundraising link** with your family and friends—**every £1 counts!** [👉 Donate here](#)

Our goal is to fund a **Dunster House garden room** (or a similar alternative) ➡



**Feeling Proud**



🏆 **Eito** was awarded Star Player in football! He scored the last goal and made a fantastic assist, showing great teamwork and leadership on the pitch. Well done, Eito!

🏊 **Aniyah** has achieved her Level 3 Swimming Award—a fantastic accomplishment! Keep up the hard work in the pool, Aniyah

🏊 **Izzy and Isabel** have been going lane swimming and last night they did 32 lengths- half a mile! What an impressive swim.

🤸 **Aimee** earned second place in the U11 hoop routine at the county gymnastics championships. Well done Aimee!

🥋 **Evie** successfully passed her green belt kickboxing grading. What a great achievement!

🏈 Triple man of the match this week ....**Rafael** for Bottesford football club and **Corrado** for Bottesford and then for his Sunday team **Aslockton** and **Orston**. Great achievements boys!



Congratulations and well done to all the children celebrated in assembly this week. Just look at all these fantastic achievements!



## Safer Internet Day 2025 – Helping Families Stay Safe Online

Safer Internet Day took place on **Tuesday 11th February**, and KS2 took part in an interactive assembly with the theme: '**Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online**'. With the rise of online scams, misinformation and cyberbullying, it's more important than ever to help children develop critical thinking skills and stay safe online. The UK Safer Internet Centre has created free resources about online safety. [Read more here.](#) We also encourage you to explore these helpful resources:

- ◆ [Stop Speak Support](#) – A campaign endorsed by the Duke of Cambridge, providing resources to help young people tackle online bullying.
- ◆ [NSPCC Online Safety Advice](#) – Guidance to help families learn about online risks and how to stay safe together.
- ◆ [Childnet – Supporting Young People Online](#) – A range of leaflets with practical tips for parents and carers.
- ◆ [Internet Matters](#) – Expert advice and tools to help children benefit from the internet safely and smartly.
- ◆ [Kidscape – Cyberbullying and Digital Safety](#) – Resources to help parents and children address online bullying effectively.
- ◆ [CyberSyd – Report Bullying](#) – A confidential platform for young people to report online bullying anytime, anywhere.

Online safety is a shared responsibility, and by working together, we can help children enjoy the internet safely while being aware of potential risks.

**Join the Smartphone-Free Childhood Movement!** We recently highlighted the importance of a smartphone-free childhood and this topic has continued to receive a lot of attention in the media. We encourage you to explore the resources available on the Parent Pact website and consider joining the movement to delay smartphone use for young children.

Over **80,000** children are now committed to waiting until at least age 14 to receive a smartphone, with pacts signed across one third of UK schools (including us!) By signing up, you're helping to make a difference for others. Find out more and join the movement here:

<https://parentpactresults.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/>

**Nottinghamshire Festival of Science & Curiosity** - Mon 10th to Fri 21st Feb - [Click HERE](#) for more information. Nottinghamshire Festival of Science & Curiosity returns for another half-term of FREE, family-friendly events packed with hands-on fun and mind-blowing discoveries! Designed to spark curiosity and ignite imaginations, the festival invites families to explore the wonders of science in an interactive, engaging, and accessible way. From robot building and slime making to planetarium shows and immersive VR experiences, there's something to fascinate visitors of all ages. To help you make the most of your visit, a free downloadable festival magazine is available, packed with fun activities and a handy events guide.

For other family-friendly activities and events happening across Nottinghamshire. [Visit Notts – February Half-Term Activities.](#)

### **School Meals**

These will remain on Parent Pay for next half term.

### **Uniform**

We have tried to reunite as much lost property with owners as we can but it is a challenge when items are not named. Please ensure items have your child name in.

Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Last day of Careers Week and Break up for half term
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Back to school
Tue 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Opportunity to look at work 3:30 – 5:30
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Class poetry heats
Thur 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Cranmer Connect 3:30-4:30 school hall – all welcome
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Rotary Swimathon 1pm onwards at Bingham Arena
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Poetry Competition Finale – 9:15 – 10:30 by invitation
Thur 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Easter Bonnet Parade and Easter Service a.m.
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Break up for Easter Holiday
Tue 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Return to school for summer term
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> April	Y4/5 Residential returning on Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April
Thur 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Cranmer Connect 3:30-4:30 school hall – all welcome
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 SATs week
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 Residential week returning on Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Break up for half term
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Return to school for final term
Thur 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Cranmer Connect 3:30-4:30 school hall – all welcome
Thur 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Cranmer Connect 3:30-4:30 school hall – all welcome
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Break up for end of school year
Mon 1st Sept	INSET day
Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	INSET day
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	Return to school for summer term



*Let all that you do  
be done in Love*

1 Corinthians 16:14



Everyone is worthy of love.  
The world always needs more  
love, so give it and celebrate  
it whenever you can.

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Have a lovely half term holiday.