



Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025

## Archbishop Cranmer CE Academy Newsletter

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

Spring term has got off to a great start and what could be better way to end a busy and hard-working second week of term, than by watching a Peter Pan pantomime from M & M Theatre Group? The purpose of pantomime is to entertain and make us sing, shout and laugh - and today's show certainly delivered - especially when there was a Dance-Off featuring Miss Miranda and Miss Murphy. Great fun was had by all (Oh yes it was!) You can see this on our Instagram and Twitter accounts (Oh yes you can!)

A big thank you to FAcS for funding this for the entire school: it is such a wonderful experience for the children to watch a live, professional performance. Find out more about this very British traditional style of theatre.

[Read more here](#) and [here](#).



### **Thank You for Signing Up!**

Thank you to all the parents who have already signed up for the new Arbor Parent Portal and App – 69% of you! Your prompt response is greatly appreciated as we transition to this new system across all Aspire MAT. If you haven't signed up yet, we encourage you to do so as soon as possible to ensure you don't miss any important communications or updates. The Arbor Parent Portal and App will be our primary way of sharing information moving forward.

Arbor has provided a helpful guide here:

[Log into the Parent Portal and the Parent App](#)

Additionally, please refer to the instructions in last week's newsletter for more details about registering your child. Remember, your username is the email address you've registered with the school.

### **Quick Reminders:**

- Check your junk/spam folder for the 'welcome email' and add our email to your safe sender list to avoid missing any updates.
- Save our school text number (07520660385) as ABCA in your contacts for easier recognition.
- School meals should still be booked via ParentPay until half-term, so please remember to book on Sunday evenings.

We understand that there may be some initial challenges as we implement this new system and appreciate your patience during this transitional phase. Thank you again for your continued support!

### **Admissions Consultation**

We are currently consulting on our Admissions Policy for 2025–2026. A letter with full details has been sent out to parents and carers and we welcome your thoughts on this important matter. You can access the proposed policy [here](#) and share your feedback via our online form here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/f7BtdNUfvcg?origin=lprLink>. Please submit your comments by 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025. Your input is vital in ensuring our policy reflects the needs of our community.

## Feeling Proud



🏃 Ellie was awarded *Runner of the Week* at the Ready Steady Go running club! She impressed everyone with her motivation to keep running and not stopping, even when it got tough. Well done, Ellie!

🏊 Kyme has passed his Stage 2 swimming! He's excited to dive into Stage 3 and is already preparing for all the swimming fun he'll have during the summer holidays. Great job, Kyme!

⚽ After trying his best in every game and saving many goals as a goalie, Finley was finally awarded *Player of the Match*. Fantastic effort, Finley!

🏓 We are thrilled to share that our exceptional table tennis team, having being crowned Notts County Schools champions, advanced to the regional finals where they faced off against fierce competition. Competing in 25 matches, they displayed an outstanding level of skill, determination, and teamwork, securing a well-earned second place!

However, their precision, agility, and strategic play were second to none, and they demonstrated incredible focus and resilience throughout the day (and it was a long day – around 7 hours of play) The team's performance was a true reflection of their hard work and commitment to excellence, and we couldn't be prouder of their achievement.

A huge congratulations to the team for their fantastic achievement—we are excited to see what the future holds!

Don't forget to add these activities to your [strive for 5 awards!](#)

Congratulations to all our super-stars who were celebrated in today's achievement assembly!

**LET'S FACE IT,  
WE'RE AWESOME.**



## Parent/carer and teacher conferences

These will be the week following half term. Information on booking will be sent out soon. As usual, we will offer a variety of ways for you to speak to teachers: face to face, zoom or a telephone consultation. You will also have an opportunity to come in and look at the children's books this term. More information on this to follow.

Diary Dates	
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Resilience Workshop KS1 & KS2
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Chinese New Year
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Y6 trip to London
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Careers' Week Commences
Thur 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Young Voices Choir goes to Sheffield Cranmer Connect 3:30-4:30 in the school hall – all welcome, just turn up! Y5 & 6 do not need to be accompanied, Y4 and under to be accompanied by an adult.
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Break up for half term
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Back to school
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
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

### **Lost property**

If you are missing these lunch boxes please claim from the office



“It is not in *doing* what you like,  
but in liking what you *do*  
that is the secret of happiness.”

-J.M. Barrie, *Peter Pan*

