



Archbishop Cranmer CE Primary Academy Newsletter

We enjoyed our Harvest Festival yesterday – thank you to Reverend Tim for his blessings and prayers and everyone who supported us with your generous donations. This event is a time for showing gratitude for our farming community, reflecting on the importance of caring for our planet and fostering a strong sense of responsibility towards the environment.

At Archbishop Cranmer Academy, we are committed to environmental stewardship and sustainability. We aim to inspire our children to become thoughtful caretakers of the earth, with a love and respect for nature.

Here are some of the ways we encourage environmental awareness and responsibility:

- We celebrate locally sourced produce through our own Horticultural Show and by participating in the Flintham Show. Our horticultural show features a category for crafting with recycled and biodegradable materials, encouraging sustainability through creativity.
- Our outdoor learning sessions, curriculum plans, and gardening club teach children how to grow their own food and care for plants, nurturing an understanding of the natural world.
- We regularly explore nature’s beauty through art and craft projects, often using natural materials.
- Our curriculum emphasises environmental awareness, covering topics such as pollinators, water conservation, and the role of trees in combating climate change.
- As part of our Harvest Festival tradition, we collect non-perishable food items for donation to local food banks, helping children understand the importance of community support and helping those in need.

We are incredibly proud of our children for their contributions to this year’s Harvest Festival and for their ongoing dedication to protecting the environment.



Thank you for your generous donations. Isla and Izzy have packed them up ready for a member staff to deliver to Newark next week.



Year 2 created wax resist leaf paintings from observation today in art using watercolours in autumnal tones.

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Consultations

We hope that everyone found our recent parent/carer consultation meetings useful. Please remember, you are welcome to speak to your child's teacher throughout the year. You can call the office to arrange an appointment, or teachers will return your call as soon as they can. Thank you for returning the feedback forms. You can view our latest responses and future actions [here](#).

Parent voice is incredibly important to us. I welcome conversations at the school gate in the morning, or you can call me, or make an appointment to discuss any concerns (or share positive feedback – that would be lovely!)

Constructive conversations help us move forward together. Grievances shared on social media do not create positive change and can sometimes be damaging to the community spirit we've worked so hard to build. Since our Ofsted inspection and Outstanding grading (just 34 school weeks ago!) we have worked hard to build on our successes and I believe that we can continue on this path if we communicate openly and respectfully. If you have concerns or questions about any aspect of the school, please come and speak with me directly: I am always happy to explain our decisions and listen to your perspectives. Keep an eye out on next week's newsletter for information about parent forums!

Farewell and Welcome

This week, we bid a fond farewell to Mrs. Chan, who has been a valued member of our team for the past two years. Her dedication, enthusiasm and ever-present smile have touched the lives of many in our school community. We will all miss her and thank her for all the hard work and positivity she has brought to her role.

At the same time, we are happy that Mrs. Mulligan has joined our KS1 support team this week. We look forward to working with her and welcome her to our staff team.

We are pleased to announce that the appointment of **Ann Rowan** as a **Foundation Governor** has been officially approved by the Aspire Board. Ann brings with her a wealth of experience and knowledge, which will undoubtedly be a great asset to our Local Governing Body.

FACs

THANK YOU so much to everyone who has nominated our school for the Cashpot for Schools initiative. We are very grateful. **£130 raised already!** We would love to make this a lovely round £200 – so please join the scheme if you haven't already or share with family/friends who shop at Asda.

It is really easy: all you have to do is opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school (*Archbishop Cranmer CE Primary Academy, Aslockton, NG13 9AW*) and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, **up until 30th November 2024**

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our PTA. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot.



INCLUDING
FACS PRELOVED
UNIFORM,
REFRESHMENTS
& SWEETS SALE



Come on down, grab a bargain
FREE ENTRY
(Raising funds for the Wellbeing Hub)

ABC School Hall
Friday 8th November 2024
from 3:30pm - 5pm

FACS will be holding a table top sale for parents/carers to sell/buy children's preloved toys, clothes and books. If you would like a TABLE (£10 EACH) on a first come, first served basis, please contact Amanda in the school office.

We invite you to join FACs!

Your involvement, whether big or small, can make a significant difference. Here are a few ways you can contribute:

- ★ Participate in meetings to share your ideas on school events.
- ★ Volunteer at Events: Help us organise and run exciting events throughout the year that benefit our children, school and community.
- ★ Fundraising: Contribute your skills and creativity to help us raise funds for school projects, resources, and activities.
- ★ Joining FACs is a great opportunity to meet other parents, connect with staff and actively contribute to our school's success.

If you would like to know more or express your interest in joining, please speak to Mrs Wright in the school office.

Proud



- Ching Ching (year 3) has got a Certificate of Junior dancer, which is given to one student in each class who has shown commitment and clear progression. Fantastic news Ching Ching.
- Abbie is happy to share that she passed the Figure Grade 1 level in the Artistic Swimming in Walsall yesterday, which is the first achievement after starting this sport in April this year.
- On Sunday, Bradley played for Newark rugby club U10's in the Tigers Cup. There were teams from around the Midlands competing – we look forward to following your progress, Bradley.
- Corrado scored a hat trick for Aslockton and Orston FC this weekend and also got man of the match. What a footballer-superstar!
- Annabelle is super-proud to share her gymnastics achievement – well done!
- Aarav won Man of the Match last Saturday when he played for Bottesford U9 against West Bridgford. This is his second Man of The Match this season – great performances Aarav.
- Millie has passed 3 dance exams and received her certificates and awards at her Dance Lobo ceremony last Sunday. She got Highly Recommended for all 3 dances which were for Free- Style and Ballroom Dance. You really are a dance superstar Millie!
- Congratulations to Henry who has been invested into Cubs. We look forward to hearing about your 'cub adventures'!
- Rosie has recently passed level 6 at gymnastics. Well done Rosie!
- More gymnastics success for Eve with her award and certificate – great news!

Congratulations to our Gold Book children who were celebrated for some wonderful achievements in today's assembly!



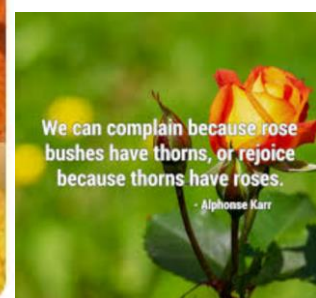
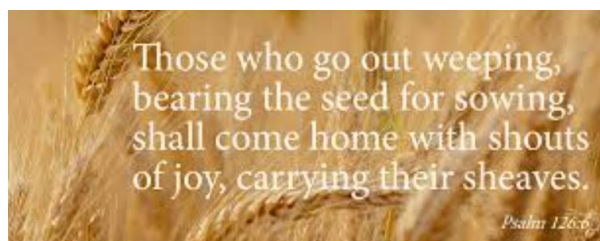
School day timings

A reminder of our morning drop-off procedures:

- **Year 6 students** are encouraged to arrive at school and head straight to their classroom for an **8:45 start**.
- **All other classes** should line up on the playground and will be collected by their teachers at **8:55** when the bell rings to mark the start of the school day.
- Please note that on some occasions, at the teacher's discretion, older classes such as **Year 4 and Year 5** may be brought inside earlier if it is suitable, for example, if all children have arrived.
- A member of staff is present at the gate each morning from 8:45.
- **You can find out more about our school-day structure [here](#).**

Diary Dates	
Wed 23 rd Oct	Open Morning: show round for new parents considering joining our school
Friday 25 th Oct	Break up for half term
Mon 4 th Nov	Aspire INSET day
Tue 5 th Nov	Back to school
Mon 11 th Nov	Children's Emotional Health & Wellbeing parent webinar
Thur 21 st Nov	Open Morning: show round for new parents considering joining our school
Thur 5 th Dec	Foundation visit to Perlethorpe
Wed 11 th Dec	Year 3 trip to York, returning on Fri 13 th Dec
Wed 18 th Dec	Christmas jumper day & Christmas dinner Children break up for Christmas holiday
Thur 19 th Dec	INSET day
Friday 20 th Dec	INSET day
Mon 6 th Jan	Return to school for spring term
Thur 13 th Feb	Young Voices Choir goes to Sheffield
Fri 14 th Feb	Break up for half term
Mon 24 th Feb	Back to school
Tue 18 th March	Children's Emotional Health & Wellbeing parent webinar
Thur 3 rd April	Easter Bonnet Parade and Easter Service a.m.
Fri 4 th April	Break up for Easter Holiday
Tue 22 nd April	Return to school for summer term
Mon 28 th April	Y4/5 Residential returning on Wednesday 30 th April
Mon 12 th May	Y6 SATs week
Mon 19 th May	Y6 Residential week returning on Friday 23 rd May
Fri 23 rd May	Break up for half term
Mon 2 nd June	Return to school for final term
Wed 18 th June	Children's Emotional Health & Wellbeing parent webinar
Tues 22 nd July	Break up for end of school year

Have a lovely weekend



Cranmer Group News

Hello there,

It was so lovely to be together as a school family at the Harvest Festival this week – thank you so for working so hard on songs, prayer and poems.

This Sunday, at our 11.00 service in Aslockton, we will be listening to, and learning from, the story of Joseph – he of the multi-coloured coat. Children will have a chance to make their own glorious, colourful coats – and consider their gifts and abilities.

Take care and God bless you.

