

12 September 2025

## Archbishop Cranmer CE Primary Academy Newsletter

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

### A note from Mrs Stevens

The children have settled brilliantly into the rhythm of a new school year and have enjoyed their first full week back. Many of our extra-curricular clubs have started with lots of children trying something new. Cranmer Connect was held on Thursday and, as always, provided a lovely time of community worship, crafts (and delicious snacks!) for children, parents and carers. Thank you to all who joined this; we hope you'll keep the second Thursday of each month in your diary for Cranmer Connect. There is no charge; children in y5 & 6 may attend unaccompanied, children in Foundation to Y4 to be accompanied by a parent or carer.

We were pleased so many of you came to our two reading information sessions yesterday: we hope it was useful for you to find out how reading is taught across the school and how you can support at home. If you were unable to attend and are interested in finding out more, please get in touch.

Our assembly theme this half term will focus on *God's creation* which will help us to reflect on the wonder of the world around us. We are delighted that Reverend Tim and Claire will also be joining us each week to lead Collective Worship and to share stories about, and from, Jesus with the children.

In addition, we are making use of the [Picture News](#) resource each week. This helps children engage with current events in an age-appropriate way, encouraging them to think critically about what is happening in the wider world. We hope you will continue these conversations at home, as discussing world news together helps children develop curiosity, empathy, and confidence in expressing their views.

### Safeguarding Update

Keeping children safe is at the heart of everything we do. All staff have recently refreshed their safeguarding training, ensuring they remain alert to any concerns. As Designated Safeguarding Lead, I have also completed additional training this week, alongside Mrs Hodgson and Miss Robinson as Deputy DSLs.

This means we have access to the most up-to-date resources and support not just for children but for parents and carers too. If you ever feel unsafe at home or in a relationship, or have *any* other concerns linked to safeguarding, please know you can speak to me in strict confidence, and I can help signpost you to appropriate support.

### Horticultural Show 18<sup>th</sup> September

We can't wait for our Horticultural show next Thursday – we really hope the weather is dry! Please join us from 3pm.

Children are invited to come to school in *horticultural theme* on the day for £1 (e.g farmer/scarecrow/flower – anything goes! Information about the exhibits and where to take them, [is here](#)

If you are entering the baking category you might like to contribute to a cake sale as well! Please bring any items we would sell in a cake sale to the school office (make sure they are labelled as being for the cake sale so we don't get confused with horticultural show entries).



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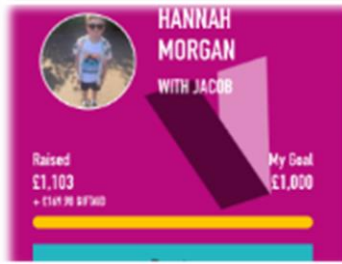


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## Celebrating Proud Moments at ABCA



- ★ **Julia** completed Stage 1 and 2 Royal Yachting Association sailing courses in Plymouth, learning boat skills, sail setting and racing. Her most memorable moment was practicing capsizing into the cold waters!
- ★ **Dan** has been selected for the East Midlands U11 Table Tennis Development Squad and attended an England training camp in Sheffield. At Radcliffe Cricket Club's awards night, he was named *Most Improved Batter* for the U12 team.
- ★ **Jacob** completed the *Kids Summer Challenge* for Young Lives vs Cancer, exercising at least a mile a day throughout August. He raised an incredible **£1003** (far above his £250 target) and covered over 100 miles!
- ★ **Kyme** smashed his target of passing Stage 3 swimming before a family holiday in Spain and is already working on Stage 4.
- ★ **Matthew** earned *Man of the Match* for U10 Bottesford Blues on Saturday – well done!
- ★ **Henry (Y4)** joined Flintham Cricket Club this year, moved up to play with older groups, captained a festival team, and attended two summer camps. At the end-of-season awards, he received the *Coach's Award* with a trophy and medal.



- ★ **Eito** has focused on building both a healthy mind and body over the summer and his coach praised his positive mindset awarding him *Star of the Team*.

- ★ **Willow** was named *Wildcat of the Week* at football – her confidence is growing more and more each week!
- ★ **Henry** has passed his stage 7 swimming – well done.
- ★ **Charlene** crocheted a wonderful scarf for the Charity Knitting Challenge and featured in an exhibition.
- ★ **Toby** is very proud to be awarded man of the match after his first football game!



**Congratulations** to all the children who were celebrated in our assembly this morning! We are very proud of all of you.



### **Summer reading challenge**

We received a lovely email from Inspire Library: *Please find attached your certificate for participating in this year's Summer Reading Challenge. As you can see from the certificate, 52 children joined the challenge and 36 completed it. Over 27 schools joined the challenge at Bingham Library and Archbishop Cranmer came 3rd in our friendly school leadership competition for completers.*



Well done to all the children who took part!



**Pupil School Meals:** If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals, apply online via the following link: [https://emsonline.nottscg.gov.uk/CitizenPortal\\_LIVE/Account/Login](https://emsonline.nottscg.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login)

### **Open mornings – We can't wait to show you around!**

If you have a child who will be starting school in September 2026 or you know anyone who is interested in joining our school before then, put a date in your diary to attend one of our Open Mornings, starting at 9:30 a.m. and finishing at approximately 10:30 a.m. on:



**Thursday 2nd October 2025**

**Wednesday 15th October 2025**

**Wednesday 12th November 2025**

Please contact the school office if you would like to have a tour at any other time – I will be delighted to show you around our school.

| Diary Dates                 |  |
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| Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept   | Foundation New Starter Service at St Thomas' Church 9:30 a.m.  |
| Thur 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | Horticultural Show. All the information you need <a href="#">is here.</a>  |
| Thur 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | Flintham Show KS2 <i>please contact the office if you can volunteer to help!</i>   |
| Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept   | Run with Richard Whitehead MBE @ Holme Pierrepont  |
| Tue 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept   | Y6 toot Hill open evening  |
| Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct     | Y6 toot Hill open evening  |
| Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct     | Bingo Night – tickets on sale soon!! Save the date!  |
| Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct     | Y5 visit to Sherwood Observatory   |
| Thur 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct    | Toot Hill staff will be at school at 3:30 for Q & A with any parents<br>Cranmer Connect 3:30 pm in the school hall – everyone welcome! |
| Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct    | Until Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> October: Cycle to School Week – bike racks available at school  |
| Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct | Break Up for half term   |
| Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov     | INSET Day  |
| Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov     | Children return to school  |
| Thur 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | Foundation visit to Perlethorpe  |
| Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | Y3 visit to York returning on Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec  |
| Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | KS2 Carol Concert<br>Christmas jumper day and Christmas dinner   |
| Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec    | Games Day Break up for Christmas Holidays  |
| Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan     | INSET Day  |
| Tue 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan     | Return to School for spring term.  |
| Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan    | Choir at Young Voices Event @ Sheffield  |
| Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb    | Break up for half term   |
| Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb    | Return to school   |
| Thur 5 <sup>th</sup> March  | World Book Day   |
| Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> March  | Break up for Easter  |
| Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> April  | Return to school for summer term   |
| Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> May     | Y4&5 residential to Condoover Hall, Shropshire returning on Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May   |
| Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> May    | Y6 <b>SATs week</b> starts   |
| Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> May    | Y6 Residential returning on Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May  |
| Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> May    | Break up for half term   |
| Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> June    | Return to school   |
| Tue 9 <sup>th</sup> June    | Class photographs  |
| Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> July   | Last day of term for children  |
| Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> July   | INSET Day  |

