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Archbishop Cranmer CE Primary Academy Newsletter

Striving for Life in all its Fullness John 10:10

It's been a shorter school week with staff taking part in an Aspire Trust INSET day on Monday at Sir John Sherbrooke School in Calverton. Staff from all Aspire schools came together for a day of high-quality training. Staff joined sessions led by education consultant Paul Longden, who delivered training on inclusion through the lens of Ofsted and RISE; this was valuable learning for all. Other sessions included work on resilience, reading fluency and strengthening attendance. It was a purposeful day of learning and collaboration across the trust.

Back in school, our brilliant **Diversity and Equity Young Leaders** — led by y6 pupils Edie, Abbie and Freya — organised a whole-school celebration for World Culture Day. The team leaders wrote letters to help coordinate the event, where children dressed up or represented countries from around the world. They planned and delivered a remarkable assembly and organised a “food from around the world” collection, which is now being delivered to the local food hub at St Thomas'. Children were enthusiastic throughout the day, sharing fascinating facts, stories and experiences from a wide range of cultures. It was a great celebration of community, curiosity and global awareness. Thank you for your support with this,



Exciting News: Our Wellbeing Hub is Built!

Over two and a half years ago, when asked about what they would like to make our school even better, our pupils came up with the idea of us providing a new special place just for them, somewhere to feel calm, supported and inspired. That dream sparked the idea of our **Wellbeing Hub** – something which has been entirely shaped by our pupils' vision.

Since then, the children have led the charge with fundraising like champions—running marathon laps, baking and selling treats, crafting and selling their creations, writing letters and much more. Every effort, every small contribution, brought this dream closer to reality.

The hub is not quite ready to open yet—we still need to decorate, add heating, flooring, and lighting—but we are well on our way. **Any help or donations to support the finishing touches would mean the world.** Once complete, we'll celebrate with an opening ceremony and can't wait to welcome not only pupils but also parents and carers into this wonderful new space.

We are so grateful to everyone who has supported this journey. Two and a half years of determination, creativity and community spirit have made this dream a reality. This isn't just a room—it's a space where our children can feel safe and inspired. We'll be asking them what they'd like to use it for over the next few weeks.

Open mornings

Put a date in your diary to attend one of our Open Mornings, starting at 9:15 a.m. and finishing at approximately 10:15 a.m., Wednesday 12th November 2025. We have spaces **currently** available in **Foundation, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4**. Please contact the school office if you would like to have a tour of our lovely school at any time – we will be delighted to show you around.



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<https://tinyurl.com/x5y5sbms>

Careers Week –

Our Careers Week will take place during the week commencing **Monday 9th February 2026**.

Thank you to the parents who have been in touch and offered to help **We really need more parents to get involved!**

We are looking for parents, carers, friends or family members who could:

- Talk to children about their job or career – whatever it is!
- Run a short workshop or hands-on demonstration.
- Share interesting experiences, equipment or stories from their line of work.
- Sessions can be any length of time and we can support with planning.

You can speak to a single class, several, or even deliver something for the whole school—it's completely flexible.

If you can offer any time at all during Careers Week, we'd love to hear from you. **Please get in touch** to let us know your availability and what you might be able to share. *Your involvement really does make a difference – inspiring our pupils to dream big and see themselves in exciting futures.*

Recognising Christian Values

This year, children are collecting stars in their jars when their class is recognised for living out our Christian values — kindness, courage, trust, thankfulness, respect and responsibility. When a class earns three certificates for having the most stars, they enjoy a special treat. We also celebrate individuals who show these values in school and beyond.

We would like to celebrate Jake for showing kindness, responsibility and courage. Over the past few months, Jake has been volunteering at a local care home, playing the piano for residents and he continued to give up his time to do this over the half term holiday. We have heard that his music has brought real joy and comfort to others and we are so proud of the compassion and care he has shared with our wider community.



Feeling Proud

🏆 County Champions... Again!

On the final Sunday of half-term, our talented table tennis team competed in the **Nottinghamshire Schools Team Championships 2025** – and we **WON!**

We are incredibly proud to share that ABCA are **County Champions once again**. Every member of the team showed fantastic skill, determination and sportsmanship throughout the competition.

Their success now takes them to the Regional Finals in Wellingborough this February, where they will represent Nottinghamshire primary schools.

A huge well done to the whole squad – what an achievement!



Feeling Proud



- ★ Jake has completed a 200-metre swimming distance and received a certificate for this impressive achievement.
- ★ Bjorn has passed Stage 4 in swimming and is making great progress in the pool.
- ★ Thomas was awarded Player of the Match for Bottesford U11s after a fantastic goal-line clearance.
- ★ Ellie has passed her Gymnastics Level 3 assessment, showing real dedication and skill.
- ★ Ollie got player of the week on Saturday for great energy and effort during a tough match and he was also one of the top trainers for his club at JSX.
- ★ Brilliant brother and sister swimming effort - Henry is proud to have been awarded the Level 6 swimming certificate and 400 metres distance certificate and Ellie has earned her Level 5 swimming certificate and 400 metres distance certificate.
- ★ Ace is really proud to have earned his White belt at kickboxing!



Congratulations to all the children who were celebrated in Gold book assembly today

Christmas Cards & Gifts – Thank You!

We are pleased to share that the sale of our Christmas cards and goodies has raised **£228** for FACS !

A huge thank you to everyone who supported this. Your generosity helps FACS continue to fund those extra opportunities and experiences for our children.

Last year, the money raised benefitted all our pupils in various ways e.g. helping to subsidise visits, two whole-school pantomime performances (2025 and 2026), a Human Body VR workshop, Year 6 Leavers' Books, and end-of-year ice pops.

To keep this going, **we need more parents to get involved**. You don't need to commit to every event or meeting — support can be ad hoc, and we welcome all ideas and offers of help, big or small.

Being part of FACS is a brilliant way to meet others and contribute to something that truly enhances the school experience for all our children. Why not join the FACS Whatsapp group even just to register interest? Please contact Amanda Wright in the school office.

Diary Dates	
Tues 11 th Nov	KS2 Remembrance Service @St Thomas' Church 9:15
Wed 3 rd Dec	Flu Vaccinations
Thur 4 th Dec	Foundation visit to Perlethorpe
Wed 10 th Dec	Y3 visit to York returning on Friday 12 th Dec KS1 Nativity evening performance
Thur 11 th Dec	KS1 Nativity afternoon performance
Wed 17 th Dec	KS2 Carol Concert Christmas jumper day and Christmas dinner
Fri 19 th Dec	Games Day Break up for Christmas Holidays
Mon 5 th Jan	INSET Day
Tue 6 th Jan	Return to School for spring term.
Fri 30 th Jan	Choir at Young Voices Event @ Sheffield
Mon 9th Feb	CAREERS WEEK starts – please get in touch if you can help!
Fri 13 th Feb	Break up for half term
Mon 23 rd Feb	Return to school
Thur 5 th March	World Book Day
Fri 27 th March	Break up for Easter
Mon 13 th April	Return to school for summer term
Wed 6 th May	Y4&5 residential to Conover Hall, Shropshire returning on Friday 8 th May
Mon 11 th May	Y6 SATs week starts
Mon 18 th May	Y6 Residential returning on Friday 22 nd May
Fri 22 nd May	Break up for half term
Mon 1 st June	Return to school
Tue 9 th June	Class photographs
Fri 17 th July	Last day of term for children
Mon 20 th July	INSET Day



"Sometimes you will never know the value of something until it becomes a memory."
Dr. Seuss

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