

Dear Parent/Carers,

Thought of the week:

' The only way to do great work is to love what you do. If you haven't found it yet, keep looking. Don't settle'.
(Steve Jobs)

It has been wonderful to see the children return to school excited and happy. Given the last 18 months, there is much that we need to work on together for the good of all. It is therefore, crucial that you continue to read all communication sent via Parentmail, so that you remain fully informed.

Start to the day

Please note, apart from pupils in Nursery and Reception, **all other pupils should make their own way to their relevant staircase and straight to class in the mornings.** Parents are encouraged to leave their child in Year 1-6 at the school gates, where staff will be in attendance, in order to keep numbers low on the school premises. Your support with this is much appreciated.

Please also avoid crowding the school lobby, but instead use emails or phone the school, if you require assistance.

COVID

As numbers of cases continue to rise both locally and nationally, we all need to remain vigilant and ensure we avoid crowding and report positive cases. Please do let the school office know if your child needs to self-isolate.

Flu Immunisation

The Redbridge Immunisation Team will be offering the Flu Immunisation in Cranbrook Primary School on **6TH & 7TH October 2021.** They would like to invite you to join their online parents meeting on **22ND September 2021,** to inform and answer any questions you may have about the immunisation.

If you would like to attend, please email vaccination.redbridge1@nhs.net stating your child's name and school they attend. Please see the attached information regarding the nasal flu spray & forward any questions you may have prior to the session, they will do their best to answer them on the day under the FAQ section.

You can also find more information on NHS link below.

[Child flu vaccine - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

Attendance and Punctuality

The school gate will close promptly at 9am each morning. Please make every effort to have your child here at 8.45am. Children attending after 9am will need to enter via the school office and will be marked in as late.

If your child is going to be absent from school, please phone the office and inform us of the reason. Persistent absentees will be monitored and required to provide medical evidence.

Clubs

All clubs will commence in the week beginning **20th September.** More information will be sent out through Parentmail next week.

Please refer to the school website, which will be updated early next week, to view the clubs running this term. All clubs will need to be booked directly through the club provider. Please do not send any money into the school, except when indicated on the club letter. As per the instructions all monies should be given directly to the club provider as requested. All clubs are subject to availability and are on a first come basis. If you wish for your child to join a club, please apply for a place as soon as possible.

Emergency Contact Numbers:

For **Safeguarding** reasons, we require at least 2 numbers to contact you in case of emergency. If you have changed your number or moved house, please let the school office have the latest information.

Year 6 - Permission to walk home

If you wish for your **Year 6 child** to walk home alone, please provide a signed letter giving your permission for them to do so. Please hand the letter to the school office and let your child's teacher know.

Redbridge 11+ Plus Test Forms

If your child is sitting the exam, please ensure that your form is submitted to the school by no later than **10am on Wednesday 15th September** for signing, as I will not be available to sign forms after this date.

I would also remind you that no leave requests for pupils will be granted for revision purposes.

Covid Risk Assessment

Please read the updated Covid Risk Assessment, which is available to view on the school website.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

School Uniform:

At Cranbrook, pupils are expected to wear full uniform when participating in learning and at all school events both within and outside of the normal school day (unless stipulated by the school). We believe wearing uniform helps children to develop a strong group identity and a sense of loyalty to their school, as well as encouraging a pride in their appearance. Working with parents, carers and guardian we aim to ensure that all children arrive to school appropriately dressed for safety and weather conditions.

Girls

Jade round neck sweatshirt with school logo, dark grey skirt, pin-afore or trousers and white polo shirt (with or without school logo). In summer girls can wear a green and white check dress.

Boys

Jade round neck sweatshirt with school logo, dark grey trousers and white polo shirt (with or without school logo). In summer dark grey smart shorts can be worn. No jogger, jeans or leggings to be worn as trousers.

Nursery

As above (sweatshirt and white polo shirt) with dark grey trouser or jogging bottoms if preferred.

Footwear

Sensible flat black shoes or boots in winter – trainers, flip-flops or backless sandals or shoes are not acceptable.

Hair

Girls must wear conservative hair accessories in green, black and white without embellishments.

Children must wear dark grey socks and tights.

PE Kits

Plain crew neck t-shirt in the colour of the child's class- red, blue, yellow or green. Plain black jogging bottoms or shorts in summer and a plain black sweatshirt for colder weather. Astro Turf football trainers will be used for both indoor and outdoor PE.

Please ensure that your child has the relevant items ready for September.

Universal Free School Meals

Please remember that children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive free school meals. However, families on low income (less than £15,000) still need to apply for free school meals, so that the school continues to receive the funding to pay for these and for other little extras.

If you require any further information on this, please contact the school office and speak to Linda Doyley.

School Dinner Payment for Years 3 to 6:

The cost of a school meal for your child is £2 per day or £10 per week. We request that parents pay for their child's school dinners online. If you need help in setting this up, please contact the school office. Please refer to the link below:

[WWW.feedinghungryminds.com](http://www.feedinghungryminds.com)

Key Dates for 2021-2022

Autumn Term 2021

Wednesday 1st September 2021– Friday 17th December 2021

Wednesday 6th and 7th October-Immunisations- Reception to Year 6

Half term break-Monday 25th October 2021– Friday 29th October 2021

Christmas Break– Monday 20th December- Monday 3rd January 2022

Spring term 2022

Tuesday 4th January 2022-Friday 1st April 2022

Half term break-Monday 14th February 2022– Friday 18th February 2022

Easter break– Monday 4th April 2022– Monday 18th April 2022

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 19th April 2022– Friday 22nd July 2022

Half term break– Monday 30th May 2022 to Friday 3rd June 2022

Inset Days

1st, 2nd and 3rd September 2021

Monday 21st February 2022

Tuesday 3rd May 2022

Breakfast and After School Club Childcare

For working parents, we have a **limited availability** at a cost of **£12** per day for a place at this club.

If you are interested, please contact the school office for the information pack and the admission form.

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