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Primary update – Friday, February 5, 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we rapidly approach half term, and with the prospect of lockdown continuing for at least a couple more weeks beyond, we know that the situation is beginning to wear everyone down. However, the news is indicating that there is hope regarding the number of people receiving a vaccination and the feeling seems to be that we are beyond the worst point. In addition, the days are beginning to get longer and there are early signs of spring appearing. There is a sense that we may be turning a corner and we will hopefully be able to welcome the children back to school before we know it.

We have had a number of parents contact us requesting a place this week because their children are understandably struggling with the lack of routine and the need for social interaction. Whilst we would love to have them back, unfortunately the government guidance remains unchanged and we are only able to open school to vulnerable children and those of key workers. If you are a key worker and you are aware of any rota changes that might affect your Essential School place needs after the half term break, please could you also let us know by emailing reception@cranbrookeducationcampus.org.uk before we break up on Friday 12th February.

Home Learning

I would like to say an ENORMOUS well done to all the families at home, working so hard to support children with learning, particularly as many of you are juggling working from home too. We understand that there is a huge amount of work set online as we want to do all we can to ensure that your children are still receiving the best education we can deliver. *However, if you cannot complete it all, you are not failing!* You are all doing

your very best in the middle of a pandemic – nobody in living memory has lived through what we are currently experiencing. Please do what you can, be kind to yourselves and do not let schoolwork become a source of stress for the family. If all you manage some days is Maths and English (with support from the live lessons), then decide to go for a walk, do some baking or snuggle on the sofa and watch a movie. You are still doing what you need to do for your family. If you require support or just a chat about what work to prioritise, please contact us. We are always here to help.

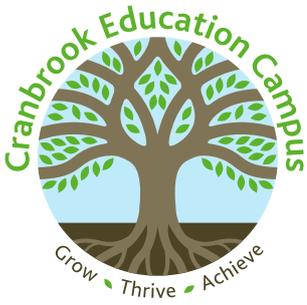


Safer Internet Day



Tuesday is Safer Internet Day and this year it explores reliability online. The internet provides us with an amazing source of information and opportunities, but how do we separate fact from fiction? The campaign focuses on how we can decide what to trust online, supporting young people to question, challenge and change the online world for the better.





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For more information, please click on the following link: <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/safer-internet-day-2021-education-pack-7-11year-olds-%E2%80%93-taking-closer-look>

Weekly Sustainability Challenge

Following on from last week's food waste challenge, the Green Team are now challenging our pupils to engage in some at-home recycling. Please can parents and carers make sure that children are helped and supervised when giving this a go. We look forward to seeing your Tetrapack wallets when you are all back in school!

REDUCE, REUSE & RECYCLE TIPS

#TetrapackWallet

Make use of all those empty juice cartons and create a handy wallet for your coins!

- 1. Flatten a clean juice carton and carefully cut off the top and bottom.**

Squeeze both of the sides, so that they crease and are tucked inside the carton.
- 2. Fold the bottom of the carton up, leave enough at the top to form a flap for closing your wallet. Cut the edges of the top flap and fold the front into the pocket.**

- 3. Make a hole at the centre of the cover with a hole puncher and insert an elastic band!**


Share your #TetrapackWallet with us using #ecoMissionComplete

Weekly tips for helping the environment
How many eco-missions can you complete?

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Virtual School Library

Oak National Academy and the National Literacy Trust have come together to launch a Virtual School Library to help keep children reading during lockdown. Every week, a popular children's author will become 'Author of the Week' and provide a free book or audiobook and exclusive videos and activities aimed at primary school children, all available at <https://library.thenational.academy>





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Our Campus Librarian, Miss Wooldridge, has also put together a fantastic resource of free reading activities and material to keep our pupils busy through lockdown. Please visit our website [here](#) to find out more. Happy reading everyone!

Dates for your diary!

Half Term: 15th - 19th February 2021

Parents' Evening: Week beginning 8th March 2021 (Details to follow)

Have a lovely weekend!

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in grey ink that reads 'Louise Moretta'.

Mrs. Louise Moretta
Head of Primary

