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# NEWS and REVIEWS

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## From the Interim Headteacher Mrs S Sidhu

### Warm Welcome Back

**"Year 5 enjoying their first gymnastics lesson!"**

Dear Parents,

I am delighted to properly welcome you back to the new school year. It has been such a pleasure having the children return to school.

A huge thank you for ensuring that your children have returned in the correct school uniform and ready for learning. The children have honestly been fantastic. They have settled into their new classes brilliantly, and their teachers and support staff have all been really impressed.

A very warm welcome to our new parents and children in Reception and Nursery. We are delighted to have you as part of our school community.

As we begin the year, I would also like to remind everyone of the importance of arriving at school on time each morning. Being punctual gives children the best possible start to their day. It allows them to settle calmly, see their friends, prepare for learning and, most importantly, ensures they do not miss valuable teaching time. Every minute of learning counts!

## Warm welcome to our new teachers

We are delighted to welcome our new staff members: - Mr Smith, Mrs Lally- Swift, Mrs Mellor and Miss Rabbetts to our school community! We look forward to getting to know them and working together to support our pupils. We wish them a very happy and successful start to the new school year.

## Secondary Transfer

Year 6 children will be transferring to secondary school in September 2027. The online application portal is now open; applications must be submitted by 30th October 2026. For help and advice please look at the brochure and online guide available at www.hounslow.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions. You can also contact the School Admissions Team on 020 8583 2711/2721 or by emailing admissions@hounslow.gov.uk.

## Meet the Teacher sessions

As usual we will be hosting our Meet the Teacher sessions for parents. This is an opportunity for parents to meet their child's teacher and for teachers to inform parents about the curriculum, events and expectations for the year ahead.
These will take place at **3.20pm** on the following dates in the relevant classrooms:
**Year 3 /Year 4 - Tuesday 15th September**
**Year 5 /Year 2- Wednesday 16th September**
**Year 1 /Year 6 - Thursday 17th September**
**ACE Unit – Thursday 17th September**
**Reception – we will have a session on Tuesday 22nd September 2026 at 2:30pm in the main school hall.**
*If you are unable to attend you will be provided with the relevant information.*

## The Year 6 Class of 2026

We are all thinking of last year's Year 6 as they start the next stage of their educational journey. They should be very proud of all of their achievements whilst at Crane Park. They worked very hard academically but more

importantly grew into an extremely talented, mature and fun group of individuals. The children are missed and we wish them every success in the future.

## Timings of the day – a reminder

Playgroup: 9.00am – 12.00pm (start dates have been sent to you)
Nursery: 8.45am – 11.45am (start dates have been sent to you)
Reception: 8.55am – 3.15pm (start dates have been sent to you)
KS1 (Years 1 & 2): 8.45am – 3.15pm
KS2 (Years 3 to 6) 8.45am – 3.15pm
The main school gate is open at 8.45am for children to enter the school building, deposit coats etc in cloakrooms and be in class for registration at 8.55am

**Please remember that the school day ends at 3:15! please be on time to collect your child.**

## Online Payment – Scopay

Scopay will now only be used for breakfast club or aftercare club payments.
All other payments will need to be paid for via your Arbor account.
If you have not yet opened an Arbor account please contact the school Office for details.

## PE Days and Kit

School badged P.E. T-shirt (Choice of colour) - red, blue, yellow or green.
Black shorts
Black or white sports socks
Plain black trainers or plimsolls
Plain black/grey jogging bottoms (not leggings) / black sweat shirt top
Black long sleeve sports underlayer (if required)
**Please label everything clearly – thank you**.

| Year Group | Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 | ACE KS2 |
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| Days | Star Tuesday | Gemini Mon/Wed | Mariner Mon/Wed | Glenn Tues/Wed | Aldrin Tues/Mon | Kepler: Tues/ Thurs | Hawking Mon/Thurs | Universe Tues/Thurs |
| Days | Comet Tuesday | Titan Wed/Fri | Ariane Wed/Fri | Morgan Tues/Wed | Jemison Tues/Thurs-swim | Copernicus Tues/ Thurs | Galileo Mon/Thurs | Galaxy Tues/Thurs |

## Brentford Extra – curricular sports clubs – the link will be sent out next week

Crane Park & Brentford FC Community Sports Trust are pleased to offer extra-curricular sports clubs for the school's pupils. Places are allocated on a strictly first come, first served basis. Only pupils attending Crane Park Primary School (2026/2027) in Years 1 to 6 are eligible for places. There are still some places so please do check.

## Swimming – Year 4

Jemison Class started their lessons on Thursday 10th September 2026 and will continue until February half term. Aldrin Class will have their lessons from after February half term until July. A letter with more details has been given to the children to bring home. Some members of ACE, in Universe, will be attending and you will be informed accordingly.

## Years 5/6

May we remind you that if you wish your child in Year 5/6 to walk to and from school on their own, we need a signed letter /email from a parent that we can keep on file. They can leave their mobile phones in their classroom in a locked drawer. Thank you.

## Diary Dates – *Trip dates to be added later*

| September/October | November/December |
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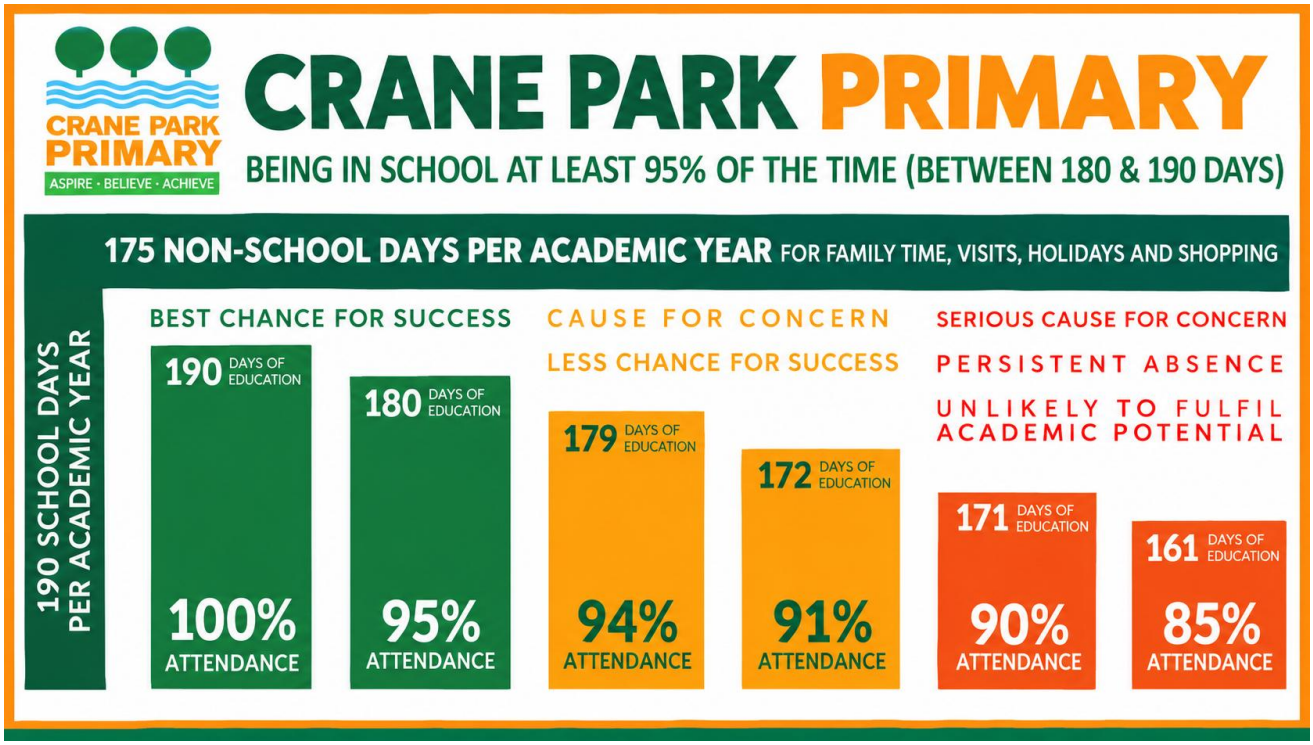
| 3rd September | Inset Day – school closed | 2nd November | **All children return** |
| 4rd September | Inset Day | 24th November | 9.00am - KS2 to Cineworld |
| 7th September | **Children return to school** | 18th December | **Last day of term – School closes at 1.45pm.** |
| 26rd Oct – 30th October | Half term Holiday | | |

## Collecting children for appointments

Please be reminded that appointments for children to attend the dentist, doctor, optician etc should ideally be made for after school or during the holidays if at all possible. If you do require to take them to an appointment, please bring evidence in advance to the School Office so that we can arrange for your child to be available for collection at the required time. If we do not know, it can sometimes take a while to find them!

## Attendance is Importance

At our school, we believe that regular attendance is key to a student's success. Every day in the classroom provides a chance to learn, grow, and connect with peers and teachers. Consistent attendance not only helps students keep up with their lessons and achieve their full potential, but it also builds essential habits like responsibility and routine. Our Attendance Officer - Nikolina Vucenovic is available to support families. Please feel free to contact the officer for further support or advice



## Contact Details

If you have changed any contact details over the summer (address, mobiles, emails), please do inform the School Office as soon as possible. Thank you

## Nut Free Zone at school

Please do not provide any form of nut in your child's healthy packed lunch or morning snack. If an allergic child is exposed to nuts they can experience a life threatening reaction. Thank you.

## Free School Meals for all children.

**This is just a reminder that our tasty school meals, provided by STIR for all children, are free.** This is under the Universal Free School Meal programme for Reception and KS1 and the Mayor's Free School Programme for KS2. We would like to remind you that if you wish your child to change from free school meals to packed lunches you need to email the Office and there will be a two-week delay as this impacts our ordering system etc. Many thanks.

## Parking on Site - an important reminder.

**Unfortunately, there is no parking on site. Also please do not drive up the main drive. This is for the safety of all staff, parents and children.**

## Message from the new SENDCo- Mrs Harris

I am delighted to take on the role of **SENDCo** this academic year. Having already been part of our school community, I am looking forward to continuing to work closely with our pupils, staff and families in this new role. I look forward to building strong partnerships with families and ensuring that all our children feel supported, valued and able to thrive.
Wishing everyone a happy and successful new academic year!
**Mrs Harris – SENDCo**

We are delighted to invite all **parents and carers** to a fantastic range of workshops delivered by the **Hounslow Mental Health Support Team (MHST)** throughout the academic year. These sessions offer helpful, practical strategies and advice to support your child's emotional wellbeing and mental health. **Please see below for this term's workshops:**

- **Supporting Your Child with Fears and Worries on the 18th September 2026**
- **Supporting Your Child with Behaviour and Challenges on the 2nd October 2026**
- **Understanding Growth Mindset on the 13th November 2026**

  - All workshops will be held in person in the hall at Crane Park School
  - **Time:** 09:15-10:15am
  - To attend these workshops parents/carers are requested to register using the **QR codes below** to register

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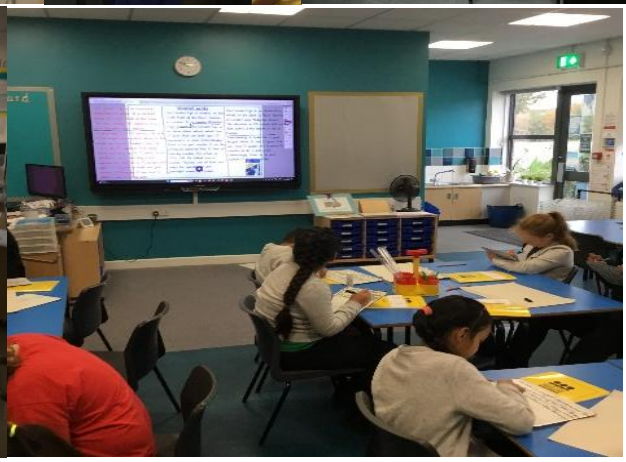
## Children working hard and settling well into their new classes