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From the Interim Headteacher Mrs S Sidhu

Meet Our New School Council: The Voice of Crane Park School!

Welcome to another exciting week at CRANE!

Our newly elected School Council are raring to go and are ready to work together to make a real difference across our school. They are looking forward to taking on their new responsibilities and helping to further embed a Rights Respecting School culture throughout CRANE.

Last July, we were delighted to be awarded the Silver Award for all our hard work in becoming a Rights Respecting School. Now, we are taking on the challenge of working towards Gold!

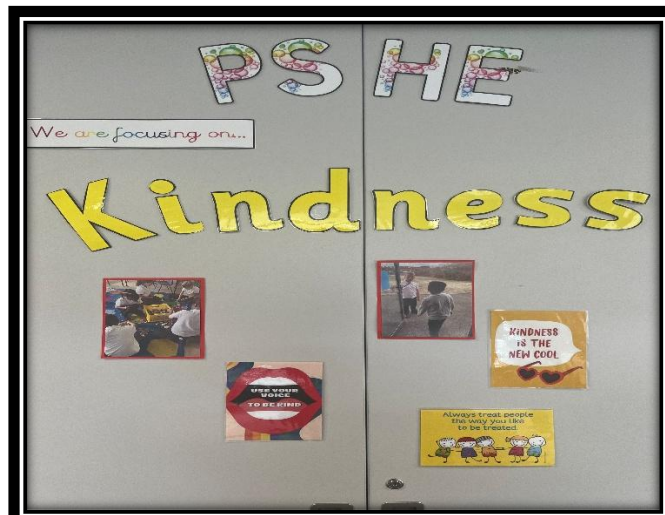
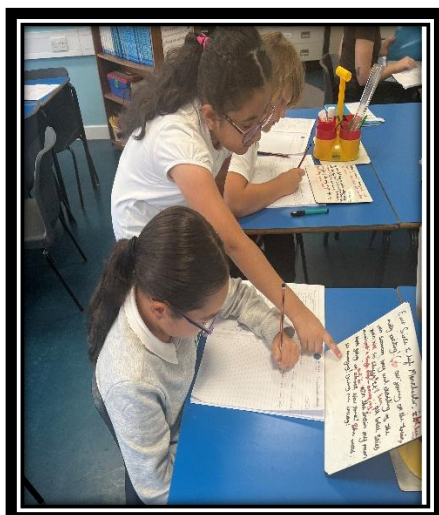


Our New School Council for 2026/2027

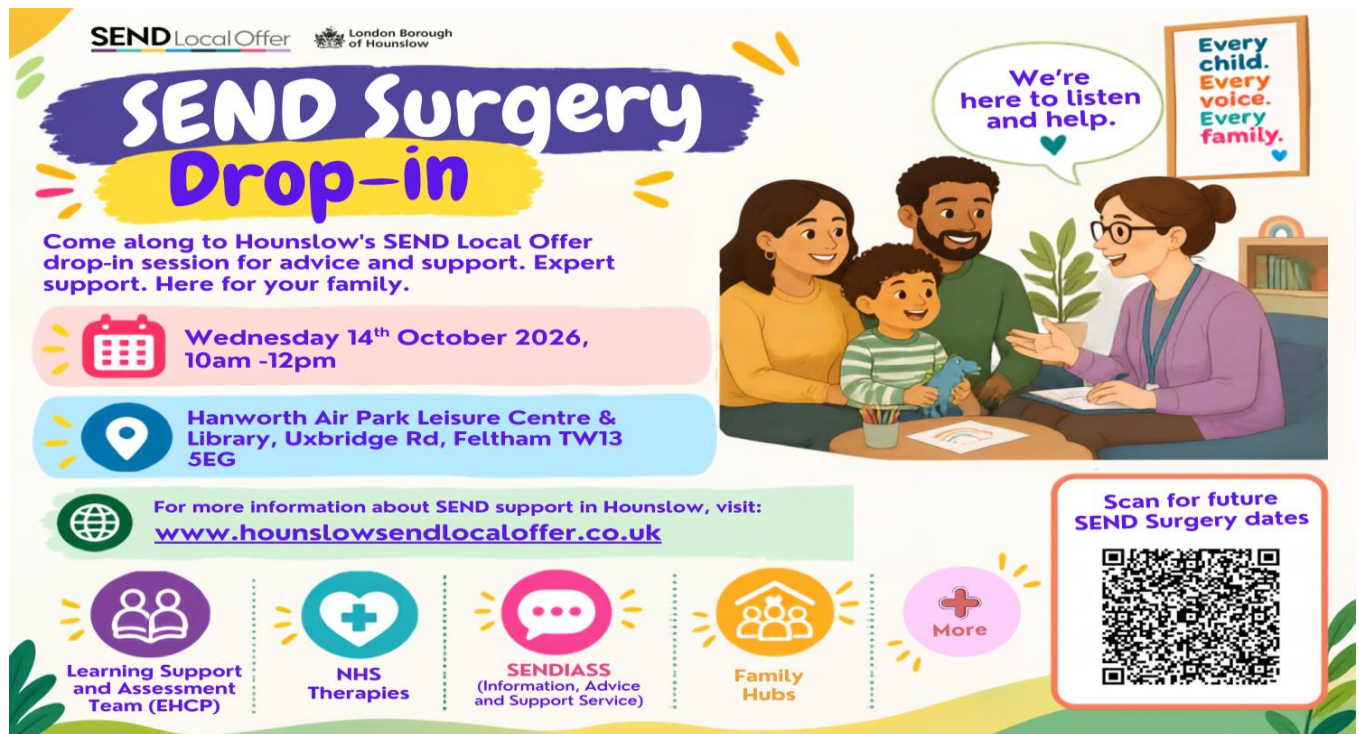
Kindness is our value this half term

Please take some time to speak with your children about what kindness means and how we can show kindness to others every day.

Our Year 5 have been demonstrating kindness beautifully by supporting and helping one another with their learning. It has been wonderful to see them encouraging their friends, sharing ideas, and working together. We encourage you to continue talking about kindness at home and celebrate the small ways your child shows care, respect and support towards others



Support for parents with SEND- Drop in surgeries



SEND Local Offer London Borough of Hounslow

SEND Surgery Drop-in

Come along to Hounslow's SEND Local Offer drop-in session for advice and support. Expert support. Here for your family.

Wednesday 14th October 2026, 10am -12pm

Hanworth Air Park Leisure Centre & Library, Uxbridge Rd, Feltham TW13 5EG

For more information about SEND support in Hounslow, visit: www.hounslowsendlocaloffer.co.uk

Scan for future SEND Surgery dates

Learning Support and Assessment Team (EHCP) | NHS Therapies | SENDIASS (Information, Advice and Support Service) | Family Hubs | More

Every child. Every voice. Every family.

We're here to listen and help.

Parental Workshops- Mrs Harris organising parental workshops

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:**

- **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



Parent Governor vacancy

Governors make a really positive contribution to our children's education at Crane Park by offering supportive challenge to help raise standards and monitor resources effectively. School Governors work as a team and come from a wide variety of backgrounds to add value to school life by offering their skills, expertise and time. If you have a passion for improving the life chances of children and can offer supportive challenge to the leadership of Crane Park Primary to help us to fulfil our vision, please complete and return a letter of interest, explaining why you would like to fulfil the role of Parent Governor. Letters of interest need to be emailed to office@cranepark.hounslow.sch.uk by the closing date. Further information about the role of the governor can be found on the school website. A discussion with Mrs Sidhu, a current parent governor or the Chair of Governors can be offered to any interested parent. Governors do not need any formal qualifications but must be aged 18 years and over.

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.

Diary Dates

October		November – Dates after half term	
9 th October	World Mental Health DAY – Wear Yellow	4 th Nov	YR6 TFL Museum
20 th October	Year 2 to Crane Park	11 th Nov	YR6 Hanworth War Memorial
October	KS2 ACE to Reflections TBC	24 th Nov	KS2 and ACE Cineworld
22 nd October	Parents Evening – school closes at 1.45pm	27 th Nov	YR4 National Archives Museum
23 rd October	Last day of half term		
26 th – 1 st Nov	Half term		

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 and 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!

Contact Details

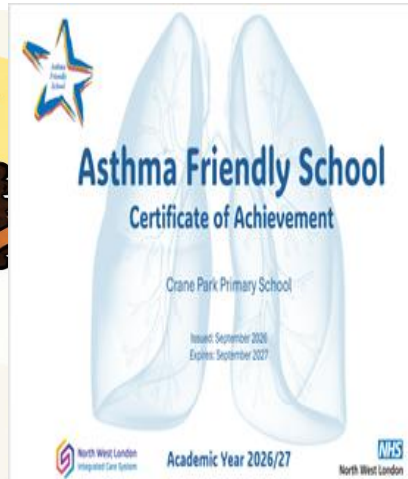
If you have changed any contact details (address, mobiles, emails), please do inform the School Office as soon as possible. Thank you

NUT Free School and Allergy Information

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.

Parents also please inform the office if your child's medical needs change immediately and if they have any allergies. Thank you!

Please remember we are a nut free, allergy awareness and asthma friendly school!



Parking on Site - an important reminder.

Unfortunately, there is no parking on site, unless you have a school parking permit. Also please do not drive up the main drive. This is for the safety of all staff, parents and children.

Nursery - PPG

The Pupil Premium Grant (PPG) is additional funding given to schools to support low-income families. As a school, we use this funding to subsidise trips, clubs, support staff etc. Nursery families could benefit from this and we encourage families to click on link below for more information and to check eligibility.

<https://fsd.hounslow.gov.uk/SynergyWeb/EYPP.aspx>

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 8.50am



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

Keeping Children Safe

Early use of digital technology can boost language skills, social development, and creativity in children. But it also carries the risk of exposure to online harm. See how you can help your child stay safe and happy.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/0-5/>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/6-10/>

For further information click links

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>



ONLINE SAFETY
A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY
SAFE CHILDREN • SUPPORTIVE PARENTS • BRIGHTER FUTURES

The internet opens amazing opportunities...
BUT IT ALSO BRINGS RISKS.

PROTECTS THEIR WELLBEING
Reduces the risk of exposure to harmful content, online predators, cyberbullying and scams.

SUPPORTS HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT
Helps children build positive digital habits, confidence and self-esteem.

KEEPS THEM SAFE FROM HARM
Parental vigilance helps identify and prevent potential dangers before they escalate.

BUILDS TRUST AND OPEN COMMUNICATION
When parents are involved, children are more likely to talk about problems and seek help.

RESTRICTIONS PARENTS SHOULD USE

- AGE RESTRICTIONS**
Use parental controls to block age-inappropriate content and apps (e.g. 18+).
- SCREEN TIME LIMITS**
Set daily time limits to keep a healthy balance.
- APP & GAME CONTROLS**
Approve or block specific apps and games.
- SAFE SEARCH**
Use safe search settings on Google, YouTube and other platforms to filter harmful content.
- LOCATION SHARING**
Control and monitor location sharing on devices.
- PRIVACY SETTINGS**
Set accounts to private and limit who can contact or follow your child.
- IN-APP PURCHASES**
Disable or require approval for purchases.
- PARENTAL CONTROL TOOLS**
Use built-in tools (e.g. Google Family Link, Apple Screen Time, Xbox/PlayStation parental controls).

TEACH CHILDREN TO:

- Think before they share personal information.
- Be careful who they talk to online.
- Recognise and report anything that makes them feel uncomfortable.
- Tell a trusted adult if something goes wrong.
- Be kind and respectful online.

USE TRUSTED PARENTAL CONTROL TOOLS

- Google Family Link
- Apple Screen Time
- Microsoft Family Safety
- YouTube Kids (Restricted)
- Console Parental Controls (Xbox/PlayStation/Nintendo)

BE INVOLVED, STAY VIGILANT

- Know which apps and websites your child uses.
- Regularly talk to your child about their online activity.
- Check privacy and security settings.
- Keep devices in shared family spaces.
- Stay informed about new online trends and risks.

WORK TOGETHER
SET BOUNDARIES
KEEP THE CONVERSATION GOING

A SAFER ONLINE WORLD STARTS AT HOME
TODAY'S VIGILANCE = A BRIGHTER, SAFER TOMORROW

CRANE PARK PRIMARY
ASPIRE • BELIEVE • ACHIEVE

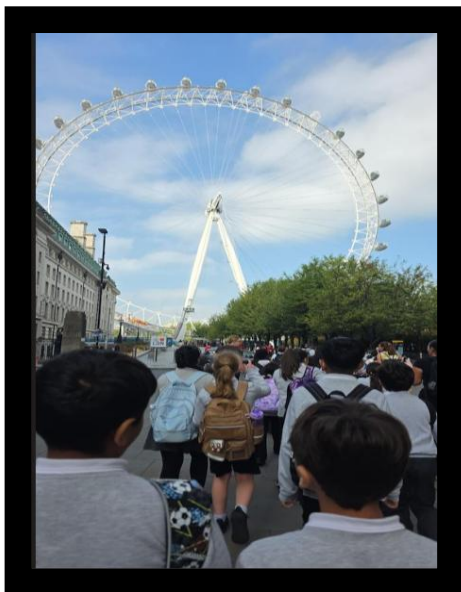
What a spectacular view!

It's that wonderful time of year again! As part of their reading of *The London Eye Mystery*, our Year 5 pupils had the exciting opportunity to visit the iconic London Eye.

There was a real buzz of excitement as the children stepped into the pods and began their journey high above London. For some pupils, this was their very first time on the London Eye, making the experience even more special.

The views were simply breathtaking! From high above the city, the children enjoyed spotting some of London's most famous landmarks and taking in the spectacular sights across Westminster.

It was a fantastic experience that brought their class reading to life and created wonderful memories for our Year 5 pupils!



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.

Well done to both Gemini & Glenn for winning Best Class Attendance!

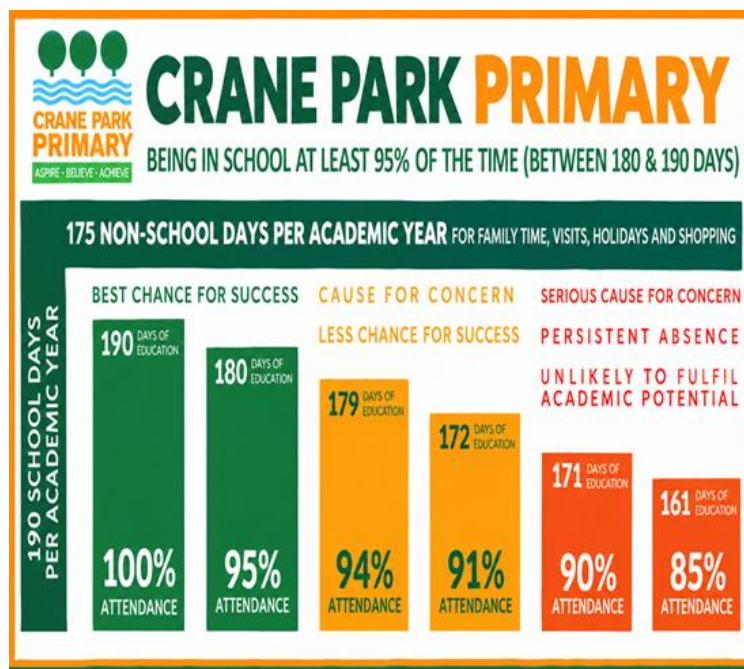


At Crane Park Primary School, we are committed to supporting every child's learning and development. One of the most important factors in your child's success at school is **regular attendance**.

Being in school every day helps children build strong routines, engage fully in their learning, and form positive relationships with their peers and teachers.

We are here to help

Nikolina Vucenovic
Attendance and Family Support Officer
At Crane Park Primary School



Parents Evening Appointments – Bookings Open on Friday

Parents Evening for this term has been confirmed for Wednesday 21st October from 3.30pm – 5.30pm/Wednesday 22nd October from 2.00pm to 5.50pm.

Please note, that on the Wednesday, school will close at 1.45pm for children (except the ACE Zone). The meetings will be face to face in the school hall but to book the appointments you will need to use Arbor. It is essential that you have an account to allow you to do this. *(Please contact the Office if you are unsure about anything.)*

Playgroup and Nursery will have their parent meetings on the morning of **Friday 23rd October** when **both settings will be closed to children.**




PARENTS' EVENING

Please book your appointment

Wednesday 21st October	Thursday 22nd October
3:30–5:30 pm	2:00–5:50 pm

An important opportunity to speak to your child's class teacher and find out how your child has settled this term.

Book your slot today!


PLAY GROUP & NURSERY PARENTS' EVENING

Friday 23rd October

Play Group and Nursery will be closed to children on this day.

Parents and carers are invited to attend a meeting to find out how their child is settling in.

We look forward to seeing you!

Hounslow SLS Poetry Writing Competition

To celebrate National Poetry Day in October and Bonfire Night in November, we are launching a Poetry Writing Competition for KS1/2 pupils.

Your challenge

- ★ Write a firework poem, using any style you choose.
- ★ The poem can be typed or hand-written and no longer than an A4 page.
- ★ The closing date is **Monday 9th November 2026.**



Terms and Conditions

- ★ The closing date for us to receive ALL entries is **Monday 9th November 2026.**
- ★ There must be one entry **ONLY** per child.
- ★ Each entry must be on a single A4 sheet of paper.
- ★ Poems can be typed or hand-written.
- ★ Each entry must contain the child's name, age and name of school.
- ★ No entries can be returned to the school, so we recommend sending copies.
- ★ There will be one overall winner from all the entries we receive from all the schools.
- ★ The winning child will receive a £10 book token.
- ★ The school with the overall best quality / most original and creative poems will be presented with a selection of brand-new poetry books for the school library.



All entries, titled with child's full name, age and school, to be brought to Mrs Dave-Ladva by **Friday 6th November** so she can send them off to Ms Lancashire at Hounslow SLS.

★ ★ ★ Get writing... let your words shine! ★ ★ ★