



HEADTEACHER UPDATE

As another school year comes to a close, I would like to take the opportunity to celebrate some of our great successes across the year.

The standout event of the year was our Christmas Market. This was a fantastic event for the community, families, key stake holders and students. Our students across primary, secondary and the hospital created wonderfully creative gifts to sell, from wax melts, advent calendars, Christmas decorations, pictures, food packages such as hot chocolate reindeers, homemade chocolate bars and fresh turkey burgers that were made and cooked by our students. They worked tirelessly for this event, making creative and fun items for sale.

We raised a huge sum of money, totaling an astonishing £760! This went partly towards Cranbury funds for students (as voted by them) as well as Save the Children and Young Lives versus Cancer.

We've had major developments across both primary and secondary, with the final secondary works being completed over the summer. Primary has had new classrooms installed, and reconfiguration of rooms to improve the available space.

At Secondary, finishing the salon with our new hair washing sink, a trades room for our new course, a Gym to improve fitness facilities and a new cookery room. We are pleased to have started our Cranbury Community Wall, where all staff and students have left their handprint acknowledging the journey we are making together.

In addition, the site is getting further work on the walls – but this is a surprise for September! Watch this space!

I would also like to congratulate our Year 11 students on sitting their exams in such a mature, and focussed way. All our young people used the full time allocated and tried their very best. This has been the most successful year of exams to date, and we wish them every bit of luck when collecting their results on Thursday 22 August.

As I move on to a new chapter in my career, Mrs Willmott, our current Deputy Headteacher, will be taking the reins. Mrs Willmott is an incredibly experienced teacher, who is looking forward to her next journey as Headteacher of Cranbury College in Sept 2024.

I do hope you all have a restful summer and look forward to seeing our current students back in September. I wish our Year 11 leavers the very best of luck in their next steps.

Miss C Burns
Headteacher





PASTORAL UPDATE

Is it us or has this year flown by?

We have finished the year wishing our year 11's the very best with their futures following our best ever exams season. We are so proud of the commitment and resilience that they showed during this time and have everything crossed that they receive the results that they deserve. A reminder that our results day is Thursday 22nd August.

Our Year 9 and 10's have recently taken part in their options taster lessons, where they were given the opportunity to experience what courses they would like to study next academic year. All students have now made their choices, and staff are very much looking forward to teaching them in September, working towards a range of awards and qualifications to support them in their next steps.

This term, our Sports lessons have managed to get out doors and enjoy (some!) of the sunny weather by completing Water Sports. The students particularly enjoyed kayaking, learning new skills and growing in confidence in the water. This followed on from the previous term where we took the students to wall climbing where they also needed to face their fear of heights!

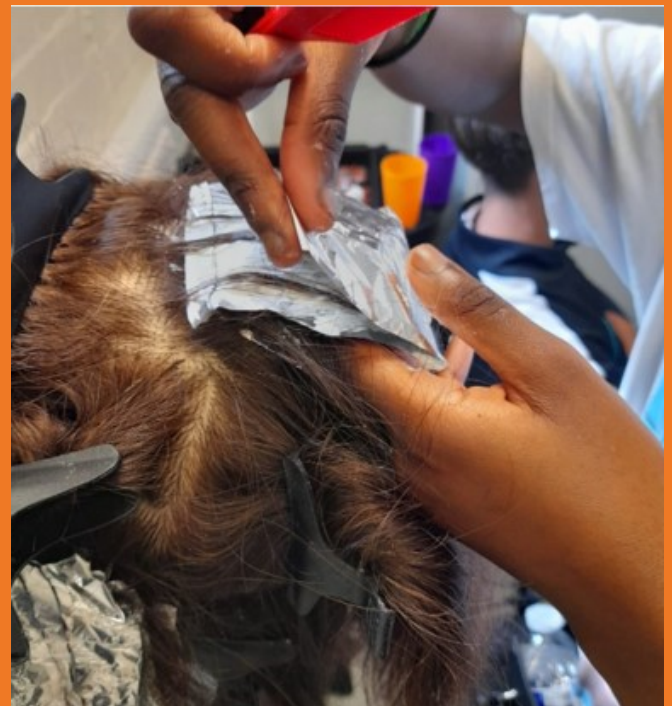
We currently have 2 students out on placements with main stream schools hoping to make their places permanent imminently and a further 5 students getting ready to start their placements in September. These students have shown us that they are ready to learn, follow instructions and are committed to making a success of their placements and we wish them the best of luck.

We are starting to see our school attendance percentage gradually increase and we thank parents for continuing to work with us to get their children accessing education. Remember, 90% attendance for the year is still 1/2 a day off every single week. The more they are here, the more they can learn!

Please ensure you are getting your uniform ready for September available through [Brigade](#), so students are ready to hit the ground running. We will be providing students with a polo top and sweatshirt with the Cranbury College Logo, but we know that one set is not enough. Please also remind your child that appropriate footwear is essential to accessing the learning here on site. We will also be sending out a basic equipment list to all parents ready for September that we expect all students to have with them every day. This helps them be ready to engage in their learning from the very beginning!

We wish all our parents, carers' and students a happy, healthy and restful summer break and look forward to welcoming you back on the 4th September for the Start Right Day!

Miss C Baggley
Assistant Headteacher
Behaviour, Well-Being and Personal
Development



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SEN UPDATE

All the students have worked to the best of their abilities this term.

A special shout out to those in Year 11 coping with and completing their GCSE exams, and to those in younger years keeping up with their studies. We are very proud of the students' resilience both in and out of school.

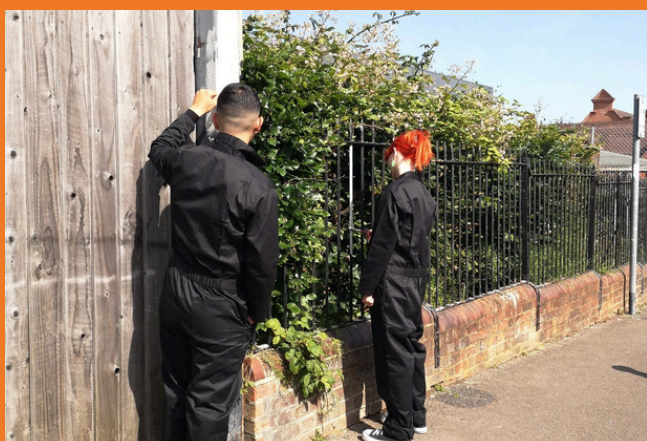
With the summer break coming up, there are breaks to the routine that some children find harder to deal with. Often, the lack of structure for the day can trigger behaviour's. Therefore if at all possible keep at least one thing consistent in your child's day, whether that is spending some time with them, dedicated at a certain point of the day, or having an expected time to be out of bed. It may help to keep your child more regulated.

For more information about what's on in your local area and places that cater for different needs, don't forget to check out the [Reading SEN Newsletter](#).

Make use of Facebook groups such as '[DLA Days Out](#)' to get local advice and reviews of places people have visited.

We wish you all a wonderful summer break, hopefully with some sunshine! See you all back for the new academic year in September.

Mrs L Bedford
SENCO



CURRICLUM UPDATE

What a year we have had at Cranbury College!

A huge well done to all our students who have really embraced learning in many different forms this year, achieving multiple qualifications from GCSEs to AQA Unit Awards, Functional Skills in English and Maths and Discovery Awards in Art.

We are already looking forward to next year and the exciting developments taking place over the holidays to ensure we are ready for learning on our return in September. A gym and a specially equipped construction space is part of the exciting work and we look forward to sharing the updates with you next academic year.

Mrs C Willmott
**Deputy Head Teacher
Curriculum and Standards**

RE-ENGAGEMENT

We offer workshops to small groups of students in the local area who would benefit from targeted interventions such as;

- Anger Management & School Expectations
- Healthy Relationships & Re-Engagement
- Conflict Management & Risk Taking

There are three packages that are delivered in six-week blocks. Each student receive two 45-minute sessions on a weekly basis. The workshops enable them to reflect, learn support strategies to help them improve their outcomes and be successful in their schools.

This academic year we have worked with 36 students from a number of schools in the Reading area. The most popular workshops have been, Anger Management & School Expectations.

Mrs S Quittenton
Re-Engagement Lead

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MATHEMATICS

As the academic year draws to a close, I am thrilled to share with you the achievements and progress of our students within the Maths Department. It has been a year filled with hard work, dedication, and notable successes.

Functional Skills

One of our proudest achievements this year is the success of our students in the entry-level functional skills exams. We entered 47 students, and I am delighted to report that 75% of them passed. Additionally, we had two students who successfully passed the functional skills Level 1 exam. This is a testament to the hard work and commitment of both our students and teachers. We aim to build on these results next year by entering students for the next level up, continuing to support their progress and development in mathematics.

Year 10 GCSE Preparation

Our Year 10 students have been diligently preparing for their GCSE year. They have been working hard on practicing past papers, and the results have been very promising. Their dedication and focus are evident, and we are confident that they will continue to excel as they move into their final year of preparation.

Maths Star of the Year

I am also delighted to announce the Maths Star of the Year, Shafique. This student has achieved the most positive behaviour points in maths lessons this year, demonstrating exceptional dedication, enthusiasm, and a positive attitude towards learning. Congratulations to Shafique on this well-deserved recognition!

Looking Ahead

As we look forward to the next academic year, we are excited to continue building on these achievements. Our goals include further improving our functional skills pass rates and supporting all students in their preparation for GCSE exams. We remain committed to providing high-quality education and fostering a positive and engaging learning environment for all our students.

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement. Together, we can help our students reach their full potential and achieve great success in mathematics.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable summer break.

Mr J Allcock
Lead Teacher Maths



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HOSPITAL NEWS

It has been another busy year for the teaching team at the hospital who have taught just under 1,000 patients this academic year. The Hospital Teaching Team are responsible for ensuring that all school aged patients are provided with an education throughout the duration of their stay. They are highly skilled, creative and able to quickly adapt as you never know who you will be teaching day to day.

We have seen an increase in long-term patients who have been in hospital for several months at a time and it has been lovely to see the relationships build between the patient, their family and the teaching staff. We have also seen an increase in young people who are frequently in hospital due to long-term and serious illness, and whilst this is incredibly sad, we do see it as a privilege to be able to be part of their lives throughout this time and to hopefully bring a smile to their face and distract them from any pain and worries for a short period of time – staff can be frequently found singing along to a wide range of genres, acting out popular characters, creating amazing art work and even doing the odd cartwheel or crazy dance!

We were very excited when a pupils art work based on the book Fabulous Frankie by Simon James was commented on and re-tweeted on X by the author!

In addition the Hospital Team have started to provide tuition in the community to young people who are still not well enough to attend school and have supported our colleagues at Primary.

I would personally like to thank my team at the Hospital for their professionalism, support and flexibility over the past 6 months, it is greatly valued.

We would like to wish you all a safe, healthy and fun summer break!

Miss G Albone
Hospital and Primary Lead

PRIMARY UPDATE

It is hard to believe we are at the end of another academic year, and for me personally this past term has flown. I would like to start by thanking all of our pupils, families and staff for making my move to Primary such a positive experience and I am very much looking forward to the forthcoming year.

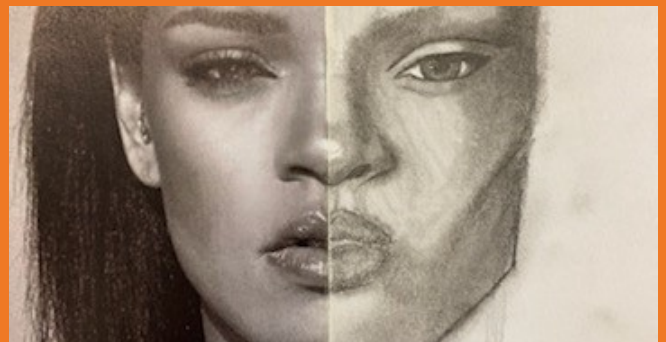
The pupils in Primary have shown resilience, perseverance and empathy as they have coped amazingly well with the changes in staffing over the year, which brings me to the highlight of the year when Mrs Barclay-Clark brought her newborn son in to meet the pupils. They were patient, caring and very gentle as they waited to have a cuddle! We hope Mrs Barclay-Clark continues to enjoy her maternity leave before she returns in December.

Since Easter the pupils have made amazing progress in their learning and it has been a privilege to watch their confidence grow as their knowledge and skills improve. We have learnt about The Maya and Ancient Greece, in Science we have had great fun exploring electric circuits and making poo whilst learning about the digestive system. In Art, we have created masks and made mod roc sporting statues and in PE we have had great fun in athletics and team sports.

We are sadly saying good bye to quite a few of our pupils who have been part of the Cranbury family for a long time and we wish them lots of luck in their new schools – we know you will all be amazing and are excited to hear about all your new experiences and adventures you will have!

We would like to wish you all a happy and restful summer break, let's hope the sun starts to shine!

Miss G Albone
Hospital and Primary Lead



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**PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1)
DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2024**



moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

LAS IGUANAS

Join 'My Las Iguanas' via the App & Niños eat free with every adult main

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase an adult's main meal (App needed)

PUREZZA

Children under the age of 10 get free pizza at Purezza with every adult meal purchased

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

TESCO CAFES

1 Free Kids meal with every 60p Spend. Available from July 1st Scotland and NI - from July 22nd England & Wales

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

YO! SUSHI

From Monday 1st July - Friday 30th August 2024, kids eat free all day Mondays to Fridays at YO! Sushi (min adult spend £10).

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

COCONUT TREE

One child (aged 10 and under) eats free per paying adult. Valid Daily, 12pm - 6pm from Monday 22nd July to Friday 6th Sept 2024.

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

At Dobbies, for every adult breakfast or lunch purchase, kids eat for FREE. Every Day!

TABLE TABLE

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HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

FUTURE INNS

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SCHOOL MEAL - FOOD STANDARDS

Find out about the type of healthy food all maintained schools and academies in England have to provide under the [School Food Standards](#).

SPOTLIGHT UK

Spotlight UK started in April 2009. We started out to provide low cost activities to help increase confidence and self esteem to children and young people across Basingstoke. However this vision quickly grew and we were able to provide emotional and practical support as well as enjoyable and fun activities to hundreds of children and young people across the area every year.

Year by year we have grown our support and now work across Hampshire, Berkshire, Oxfordshire, Surrey and London.

For more information on low cost activities please click [here](#).

HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND READING BOROUGH COUNCIL

Households with pupil premium/free school meal children who are automatically eligible for direct support will have received a £185 voucher sent to their homes by the Post Office. The vouchers will be posted in July 2024.

If you have any questions about these vouchers, please contact the Council's HSF helpline: 0118 9373797 or email: Household.Support@reading.gov.uk

Applying for financial support from the Household Support Fund

Please use this link [here](#)

WHAT'S ON IN READING THIS SUMMER

Looking for ideas of things to do over the summer holidays in Reading? Browse some fantastic events, attractions, parks and other places to visit [link here](#) to find inspiration.

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