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Year Six Secondary Applications

It's now time for you to start thinking about secondary schools, as many schools are now planning their open evening events. We strongly advise that you keep checking the secondary school websites and that you visit more than one setting. In recent years, many local schools have been oversubscribed, and children have been offered their second or third choices. Therefore, it is very important that you do add **6 choices** to your form, in order of preference. It is important to think carefully about the order, as you will not be able to change it after the closing date. Apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk. Don't forget, if you are applying to a church school, they will also have a supplementary form that needs completing. Check the admissions page for the admissions policy and details of how to do this. Admissions for secondary schools will close on **31st October 2026**. You will need to apply to the local authority where you live, even if your chosen school is in a different local authority area.

If you need any clarification, please speak to the Year 6 teachers.

Snacktember



During Snacktember, the children learnt about the importance of choosing healthy snacks and had the opportunity to

explore different ways of making healthier snack choices. We had a fantastic response to our 'Snack on a Stick' competition, and we were really impressed with the creativity and effort shown in all of the entries:

1st Place - Zerai Mulberry Class
2nd Place - Adrian Rowan Class
3rd Place - Zofia Birch Class

Hello Yellow

On Friday 9th October, we will be taking part in **Hello Yellow** to show our support for World Mental Health Day, which falls on Saturday 10th October. We are encouraging children to wear yellow to school on Friday 9th October. Throughout the day, we will be talking to the children about why

looking after our mental health is important and ways in which we can support our own wellbeing and the wellbeing of others. If you would like to support this fundraising campaign you can donate by clicking on the link below.

<https://fundraise.youngminds.org.uk/s/860/12701>

Silver Award for Music Education Provision

This year a new quality mark was established

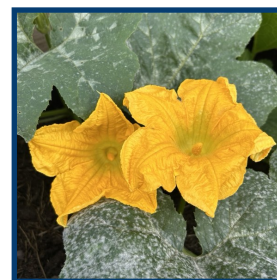


by the North London Music Hub (consisting of Barnet, Enfield, Camden, Haringey, and Islington) to recognize and celebrate high-quality music education in local schools.

I am very pleased and proud to announce that Cromer Road has achieved the silver award for music education. We are one of ten schools in the borough to achieve silver status.

This is thanks to great teamwork and support from the entire Cromer Road Community, including the wonderful music teachers from BEAT. Ms Siefert has been instrumental in achieving this award for Cromer Road, and for that, we would like to thank her.

Lastly, I must thank our fantastic parents and carers who encourage and support their children in their music making.



Naming items



We already have a huge pile of lost property in school. Please, can we ask that ALL items be named clearly so that they can be returned to their owners.



Personal belongings in school

We have noticed an increasing number of personal items being brought into school, including cuddly toys, fidget toys and squishies. Whilst we understand that these items can be special and comforting, they can often become a distraction during learning time and may be misplaced or damaged.

We kindly ask that all personal toys and belongings be kept at home unless specific arrangements have been agreed with your child's class teacher.

Elm class assembly

This morning, Elm Class performed the first assembly of the year. The children shared a range of work that they had done this term. Highlights included; speeches, art work and information about micro-organisms. They spoke clearly, sang well and entertained the audience. Well done to all of you.

Wildlife Garden

After a difficult growing season in the Wildlife Garden, the children took home potatoes, tomatoes, courgettes, beetroot, and carrots to share with their families!

Our tomatoes are still going strong, and we are working hard to prepare the ground for next year's wildflower meadow.

We are looking at Autumn colours this term, with a ribbon outside the garden where children can attach any beautiful leaves they find, so keep your eyes peeled!

Well Done!

Congratulations to Charlie Gibbons (Y6 Juniper class) for passing his grade 2 drum exam with a merit at the end of last term.

We hope you have a restful weekend.

Mrs O'Donnell
Headteacher

Week beginning 21st Sept 26

Week beginning 28th Sept 26



Class	Name
R Sycamore	Noah
R Willow	Ayin
Y1 Birch	Melodie
Y1 Rowan	Ivy
Y2 Cedar	Hope
Y2 Mulberry	Yohan
Y3 Holly	Muuad
Y3 Magnolia	Amelia
Y4 Cherry	Carter
Y4 Chestnut	Isabel F
Y5 Beech	Aoife
Y5 Maple	Riham
Y6 Elm	Sarah
Y6 Juniper	Anya

Class	Name
R Sycamore	Lucia
R Willow	Quinton
Y1 Birch	Ksenia
Y1 Rowan	Lucas
Y2 Cedar	Delilah
Y2 Mulberry	Zoe
Y3 Holly	Abigail
Y3 Magnolia	Elina
Y4 Cherry	Jaiden
Y4 Chestnut	henri
Y5 Beech	Lennie
Y5 Maple	Violet
Y6 Elm	Eddie
Y6 Juniper	Daniel

ATTEND TODAY
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



Every day in school

Our Target is 97%

Attendance for w/c 21st Sept 2026

Y2 Mulberry Class 97.1%

Y5 Maple Class 96.3%

Attendance for w/c 28th Sept 2026

Y2 Cedar Class 99%

Y5 Maple Class 99%

DIARY DATES 2026/27

October 2026

Mon 5th	Y5 Maple Class swimming all week
Fri 9th	9am Y4 Cherry Class Assembly
Mon 12th	Y5 Beech Class swimming all week
Mon 19th	Y5 Beech Class swimming all week
Mon 19th	Y6 Residential trip to Gillwell Park
Wed 21st	CRSA Halloween Disco 4-4.50pm Reception & Y1 5-5.50pm Y2 & Y3 6-6.50pm Y4, 5 & 6
Thurs 22nd	Harvest Assemblies with Father Tristan
Fri 23rd	9am Y5 Maple Class Assembly

Mon 26th—Fri 30th Half Term



January 2027

Mon 4th	School re-opens normal time
Tues 19th	Neal Zetter Workshop

November 2026

Tues 10th	Y3 Trip to St John the Baptist Church 9.45-11.45am
Fri 13th	9am Y6 Juniper Class Assembly
Fri 13th	CRSA Quiz Night Adults only
Thurs 19th	Flu Vaccinations 2nd Session Rec-Y6
Sat 21st	CRSA Winter Fair 1-4pm
Tues 24th	3.30pm-6pm Parents Evening - Online
Wed 25th	6pm CRSA Braid Maiden evening
Thurs 26th	3.30pm-6pm Parents Evening –Face to Face

Fri 27th INSET DAY

December 2026

Dec 1st	Y5 Science Museum Trip
Thurs 3rd	6pm CRSA Xmas Wreath Workshop
Thurs 10th	Xmas Jumper day & Xmas Lunch
Fri 18th	Christmas Assemblies with Father Tristan
Fri 18th	Last day of term, school finishes at 1.30pm

Dates published 2/10/26

Key: New dates added since last newsletter

How to create an environment for kids to talk

internet
matters.org

1 Talk early and often

- Talk with children from an early age to make it easier to maintain good communication
- Have bitesized conversations that are relevant to them



2 Choose the right time

- Choose to talk when you are due to spend some time together, like over a meal or during their bedtime routine
- Bring digital experience into normal, everyday conversations

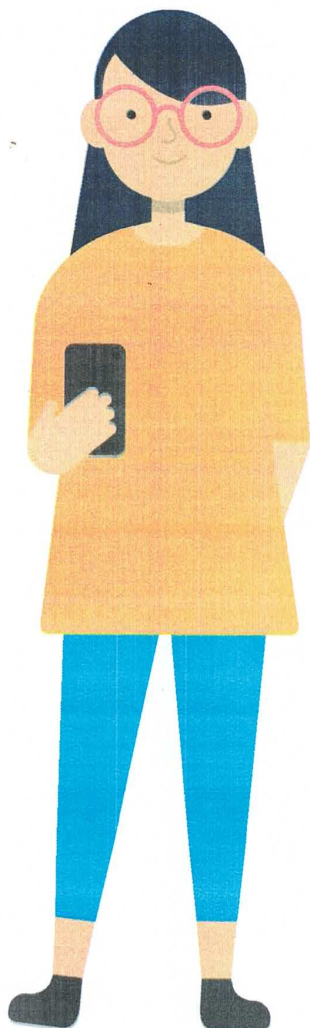
3 Open up and share too



- Model the behaviour you want them to show by sharing about your day
- Be open and encouraging to make them feel supported

4 Create a safe space for your child

- Ask open-ended questions
- Ensure that your child feels listened to rather than cornered
- When they start talking, hold off with questions and really listen
- Be prepared, calm and patient with them



What to talk about

Online reputation

- Understanding how online activity creates a 'digital footprint' that lasts forever
- Being a **good digital citizen** e.g. treating people like you would face to face
- Thinking before posting

Critical thinking

- Making them aware that some people hide behind fake profiles
- Being **critical about what they see online** as not everything is true
- Agreeing digital boundaries to allow them freedom to make informed decisions

Resolving online issues

- Tools and strategies to deal with issues they may face online such as cyberbullying or seeing inappropriate content
- Where & how to **report an issue** – encouraging them to speak to an adult



Personal safety

- Keeping info private on devices and apps they use with **privacy settings**
- What a secure social media profile looks like
- Create strong passwords for every online account

Best of the net

- What they enjoy most about their favourite apps or sites
- The coolest **sites and apps** among their group of friends
- Talking about things online you can enjoy together and ways to stay involved in their digital world

Free tools to promote conversations

Digital Matters

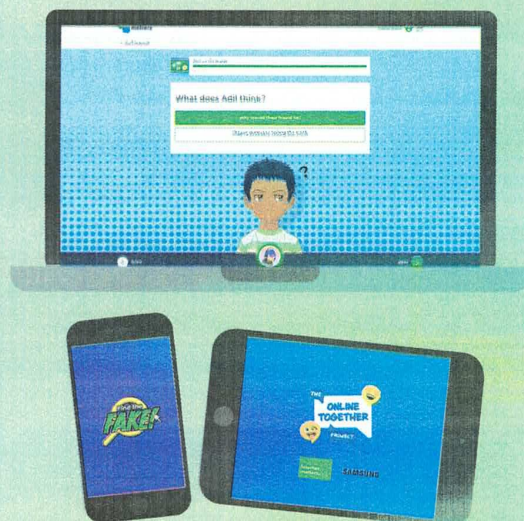
Use the Once Upon Online storytelling activities to discuss how children can get help and from where, along with how to manage different aspects of their online lives.

The Online Together Project

This interactive quiz provides guidance on how to talk about tough issues like gender stereotypes and online safety.

Find the Fake

Discuss what misinformation online looks like and what children can do to make sure they think critically about what they see online.



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TICKETS GO ON
SALE AT 9AM
3RD OCTOBER

Spooky Disco

WEDNESDAY **21ST** OCTOBER

4-4.50PM RECEPTION & Y1

5-5.50PM Y2 & Y3

6- 6.50PM Y4 - Y6

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT
www.CRSA.online

£5 PER CHILD

**TICKETS STRICTLY LIMITED
TO 100 PER DISCO**

A RESPONSIBLE ADULT MUST REMAIN ONSITE DURING EVENT





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COSTUME SWAP

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

OCTOBER 14TH & 15TH 3-3.30PM

BRING CLEAN, GENTLY USED COSTUMES AND TAKE
WHAT YOU NEED

FREE AND OPEN TO ALL WHO NEED A COSTUME
WITH OR WITHOUT SOMETHING TO SWAP

DROP ITEMS AT THE GATE IN THE MORNING
COME PICK SOMETHING AFTER SCHOOL

 **ADULT**

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QUIZ

NIGHT

FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 26

CROMER ROAD SCHOOL HALL EN5 5HT

7-10PM

£60 PER TABLE (MAX 6 PEOPLE)

For single tickets please email treasurer@crsa.online

8 fun filled rounds, including a picture round
with prizes for the winning table!

Open to the public, everybody welcome

Option to order



Pizza delivered

to the table during the interval

**(inc veggie option) for just £15 per medium
pizza**

Book food and tickets @ www.pta-events.co.uk/crsa