



Cranborne

Church of England
First School and Nursery

Love, Learn, Fly

Do Everything in Love 1 Corinthians 16:14

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to welcome the children back on Tuesday. I hope everyone had a good half term break. Thank you for joining us for our second evening of parent-teacher consultations on Wednesday. We hope meeting with class teachers and the opportunity to look through your children's books proved positive. There is much to be proud of!

Our Robin and Crane children thoroughly enjoyed their farm experience at a beautiful 5-acre smallholding on the edge of the New Forest this week, especially feeding the Jacob sheep who are just about to give birth! We were hoping the baby lambs would arrive for our visits but babies come when babies come! The children loved the opportunity to be outdoors, making bread to cook over the fire pit, climbing trees and trying wet felting too! Thank you to our lovely additional helpers who supported the children on these visits.

Don't forget next Thursday is World Book Day and your children are invited to dress up as a book character for the day. It would be lovely if they could also bring their favourite book into school to share with their friends.

We hope you have a great weekend and look forward to seeing the children back on Monday. February is nearly over, now onto March!

*Above all else,
guard your
heart
for everything
you do flows
from it.* Proverbs 4:23



Diocese of Salisbury
Academy Trust



“Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it is thinking of yourself less.”

Collective Worship Theme: Humility

Our collective worship theme this half term is 'humility'. We are looking forward to visits from the Open the Book team, Keith Jewell, Reverend Angus Mayhew and Reverend Nick Wood as we explore this value together.

A Christian Perspective on Humility

Christians believe that Jesus was both servant and king. He demonstrated this through his life, death and resurrection. Jesus taught his disciples what it means to be truly humble. Christians believe that they can serve God by demonstrating humility through their attitudes and actions. This approach to life runs contrary to many role models presented to children in the media and popular culture.

Reflecting as a Whole School Community

Some questions for us to consider:

- In what ways do we encourage all members of our school community to serve one another?
- How do we encourage our children to be empathetic and sympathetic to the experiences of others?
- How do we create an ethos in which our children and adults are confident to ask for help and to receive help from others?

Healthy Eating

As part of our promotion of healthy living, a free fruit or vegetable snack is provided for each child in reception and years 1 and 2 each day. Children in years 3 and 4 may bring in a snack for morning playtime but this must be a healthy choice such as fruit or vegetables, breadsticks, cheese or a small savoury sandwich. Please note chocolate bars, cakes, crisps and sweets are not allowed. Many thanks.

Priory Hub Netball Tournament – Tuesday 24th March

We are delighted that a number of our Year 3 and 4 children will be taking part in a Netball Tournament on Tuesday 24th March at Trinity First School with our Priory Hub Schools (Wimborne St Giles' First, Trinity First and St James' First). If your child is attending you will have received an individual letter. The aim of the event is to encourage our children to enjoy sport, work together as a team and represent their school. **Please complete the parent consent form on Arbor by Monday 23rd March 2026.**

Verwood Town Netball Club Juniors Training on Mondays

Years 3, 4, 5 – 5.30 - 6.30 pm

Years 6, 7, 8, 9 - 6 - 7 pm

Emmanuel Middle School, Verwood, Outdoor Courts

Contact: juniornetballverwood@gmail.com

Cranborne CE First School & Nursery – Spring Term 2026

Monday 2 nd March	3-4 pm	Dodgeball 4 of 7 with Matt Williams
Tuesday 3 rd March		Robin class to wear PE kit today (and Friday this week)
Thursday 5 th March		World Book Day – children are invited to dress up as a book character today
Monday 9 th March	3-4 pm	Dodgeball 5 of 7 with Matt Williams
Thursday 12 th March		Cathy Murray Workshop 2 with Crane class in preparation for 'Sing it Loud' Music Event
Monday 16 th March	9-11 am	Get, Set, Cycle session with Lucy Bemand on school playground (booking required)
Monday 16 th March	3-4 pm	Dodgeball 5 of 7 with Matt Williams
Tuesday 17 th March	1-3 pm	Bikeability Level 1 for Year 4 on school playground with Lucy Bemand (booking required)
Friday 20 th March		Crane 'Sing it Loud' event at Verwood Hub. One adult per child invited to the final performance in the afternoon, please return reply slip.
Friday 20 th March		The children are welcome to wear 'red nose day' accessories to school with their school uniform today for a donation. We will send through a link to our Just Giving page nearer the time.
Sunday 22 nd March	9-10 am	Breakfast Church in the school hall
Tuesday 24 th March		Priory Hub Netball Tournament at Trinity First School (children selected from Crane class)
Friday 27 th March	8.45 am	Easter Service at Cranborne Church – everyone invited
Monday 30 th March – Friday 10 th April		Easter Holiday
Monday 13 th April		DSAT Trust INSET Day – school closed to children