



CRESTWOOD
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

PARENT BULLETIN

WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 6TH JULY 2026

Week B Menu 3

KEY MESSAGES THIS WEEK

It has been an incredibly busy and rewarding week here at Crestwood. On Tuesday night, we celebrated our students at the Prom. It was a truly amazing evening, and everyone looked absolutely spectacular, a wonderful way to mark their hard work.

Wednesday marked our Transition Day. It was an absolute pleasure to meet our future Crestwood family. The students embraced every challenge and activity with fantastic enthusiasm, and we already cannot wait to officially welcome them all back in September.

Today was Cherbourg's sports day, which was aptly World Cup-themed! We are so proud of everyone who took part - great sportsmanship all round. We are looking forward to Shakespeare's sports day next Friday.

- **We have been incredibly encouraged by the positive feedback from parents regarding our new Smart Device policy. Working together with our families, Toynbee, and schools across Hampshire, we are fully committed to banning all internet-enabled devices from this September to combat the proven negative effects on young people. Thank you for your continued partnership and for helping your children prepare for a device-free school day after the summer break.**
- **Monday 6th July** - The School day will start at the usual time of 8.30am and Students are required to attend school as normal.
- Please, can parents be firm about nose studs and jewellery
 - The only permitted jewellery is a watch and ONE pair of STUD earrings.
 - Students can wear a flat, transparent retainer in their nose, but not a nose stud.
 - If the rules continue to be broken, we will revert to not allowing nose studs or retainers.
 - Parents allowing their child to get their nose pierced should do so where there is a sufficient period of time for the nose to heal. The minimum time required is 6 weeks and therefore, as a result, the only time piercings should be done is in the summer break.
- **Attendance and punctuality**
 - Please ensure your child attends school **before** 8.30 am.
 - Any child arriving after 8.55 am is marked as absent, in compliance with the DfE rules regarding recording attendance
 - The children will also be registered at 1 pm for the afternoon session, so please try to avoid medical appointments at these times
 - Holidays and leaves of absence will only be granted in exceptional circumstances
- **Arbor App Updates**

The Arbor development team continuously updates and improves the Arbor Parent and Student apps to ensure they run smoothly and reliably. We strongly encourage you and your child to install updates as soon as they become available, as these often include important bug fixes and performance improvements. If you have not yet downloaded the app, please visit the App Store (iOS) or Google Play Store (Android) to install it today. If you experience any issues signing in, the [Arbor Help Centre](#) provides a wide range of guidance and troubleshooting steps. Should you continue to experience difficulties, please contact the school's dedicated IT Support team, who will be happy to assist you.

KEY DATES FOR PARENTS

- The **INSET Days for 2026/27** have been agreed. These are:
 - **Tuesday 1st September 2026**
 - **Wednesday 2nd September 2026**
 - **Thursday 3rd September Year 7 only 8.30am - 1.15pm**
 - **Friday 23rd October 2026**
 - **Monday 2nd November 2026**
 - **Wednesday 21st July 2027**

KEY SCHOOL LINKS FOR PARENTS

- [Updating your child's information via the Arbor App](#)
- [Reporting my child's absence via Arbor](#) or email attendance@Crestwood.hants.sch.uk
- [Absence requests, including holidays](#)
- [Extra Curricular Activities](#)
- [Parenting Support - CRESTWOOD - COMMUNITY SCHOOL](#)
- [Parent Forum 2025-2026 - CRESTWOOD - COMMUNITY SCHOOL](#)
- [Key Dates](#)
- [School Letters](#)
- More about all the activities occurring in and out of lessons at Crestwood can be found on our [Facebook page](#), [Twitter Feed](#), [Instagram Account](#) and [YouTube Channel](#). Reshares and likes are always appreciated.

USEFUL INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

- [SORA](#), our reading app in partnership with Hampshire School Library Service
- [Dealing with Fake News, Hoaxes and misinformation, NSPCC](#)
- [Kooth is an online platform to support young people with their wellbeing](#)
- [NHS111 Mental Health Triage Service](#)
- [On and around water - Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire & Rescue Service, Official website of Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire & Rescue Service \(hantsfire.gov.uk\)](#)
- [Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)
- [Parent Zone](#)
- [CEOP Education](#)
- [Reporting harmful content online](#)
- [Childline, Online bullying](#)
- [PARENT ONLINE SAFETY](#)
<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/sexting/>
- <https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/>
- <https://www.commonsemmedia.org/>

- https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/11_18/
- <https://www.internetmatters.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Internet-Matters-Discord-Guide-1.pdf>
- <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/roblox/>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XjV0IKYp>
- [Parental control software](#)

CAREERS UPDATE

Engineering Apprenticeships: Year 11 - Four vacancies in Chandlers Ford Industrial Estate with a company called [South Midlands Communication Co Ltd](#). They are looking to recruit [2 Machinists](#) and [2 Engineering Technicians](#). The closing date for these is 1st May. There is also a [Machining Technician Apprentice](#) in Totton with [Benhams Precision Engineering Ltd](#)

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Summer Term 2026

Day	Extra Curricular Activity	Teacher	Campus/Venue	Time
Every day	Homework Clubs	Mr Green Mrs Parnell-Bray Mrs Gray	Library/IT Room (both campuses)	3.00-4.00 3.00-3.30 (Fri)
Monday	Cherbourg Crochet and Knitting Club For beginners and experienced crafters.	Ms Coltro	Cherbourg Library	3.00-4.00
	Creative Writing	Mr Green	Shakespeare Library	3:00-4:00
	School Production (Audition Only)	Miss Carter	Drama studio - Shakespeare	3:30-5:30
	Athletics	Mr Stead	Shakespeare	3:00-4:00
	Athletics	Mr Read and Mr Harris	Cherbourg	3:00-4:00
	Singing Club	Mr Trott and Mr Cox	S2	3:20-4:20
	Year 8&9 Steel Band (existing players)	Miss Glenn	Cherbourg T1 Shakespeare U2	3:30-4:30 CH week 2 SH week 1
	KS3 Art Award Club	Miss Coull	SH-G8	3:00-4:00 Wk B
KS3 Clay Club	Ms Bray	Cherbourg	3.00-4.00	
Tuesday	Hair and Make-Up Club	CH - Miss Carter SH - Mrs Copelin	Drama Studio Both campuses	3.00-4.00
	Dance Club	CH- Miss Keenan SH- Miss Kimber	Drama Studio Dance Studio	3.00-4.00
	Cherbourg Year 7 Steel Band	Miss Glenn	Cherbourg T1	3:00-4:00
	Panatical Steel Band (existing players)	Miss Glenn	Cherbourg T1	4:15-6:45
	Revision Hub (Yr 11 only)	Mr Sansom Miss Houston	Library (CH) and G13 (SH)	4:00-6:00
	Cricket	Mr White	Shakespeare	3:00-4:00
	Cricket	Mr Collis	Cherbourg	3:00-4:00
	The Writer's Room		Shakespeare G23	3:00-4:00
	Year 10 English intervention	Miss Tseng & Mr Thompson	Cherbourg M5	3:00-4:00
Shakespeare Crochet and Knitting Club For beginners and experienced crafters.	Ms Coltro	Shakespeare Library	3.00-4.00	
Wednesday	D&D Club	SH- Mr Green CH- Mr Waren	Both campuses- Library	3.00-4.00 3:00-4:30 (CH)
	Girls' Football	Mr Skirth	Cherbourg	3.00-4.00
	Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme	Mr Johnson Mrs Bezant	Cherbourg M7 Shakespeare Canteen	3:00-4:30 SH week A CH week B
Thursday	Panatical Newbies (year 9-11 existing players)	Miss Glenn	Shakespeare U2	3:30-4:30
	School Production (Audition Only)	Miss Carter	Drama Studio - Cherbourg Campus	3.30 - 5.30
	Revision Hub (Yr 11 only)	Mr Sansom Miss Houston	Library (CH) and G13 (SH)	4:00-6:00
	Science Club Yr 7 & 8	Mr Neil, Mrs O'Loughlan, Mrs Wujewski, Miss Hurst, Ms Maher, Miss Ragnar, Ms Gray, Mr Nicholas, Mr Waren, Miss Newman	Shakespeare G9/ Cherbourg M12	3:00-3.45
	CH Rock Band	Mr Trott and Mr Cox	CH - S2	3:20-4:20

	Chess Club	Mr Green	Shakespeare Library	3.00-4.00
	Rounders	Mr Read & Mr Collis	Cherbourg	3:00-4:00
	Rounders	Mr Stead	Shakespeare	3.00-4.00
	Debate Club	Mr Thomson	Week A: Cherbourg, M1 Week B: Shakespeare, G23	3.30-4.30
	SPARX Reading club	Mr Vivian	Week A: Shakespeare G15 Week B Cherbourg M1	3.15-4.15
Friday	Production Pit Band	Mr Downs	Cherbourg T1	3:30-5:00
	Shakespeare Year 7 Steel Band	Miss Glenn	Shakespeare U2	3:20-4:20
	Beyond the book (fantasy, sci fi, romance book - Year 9 and above)	Miss Godechoul	Shakespeare G25	3.00-4.00
	SH Singing Club	Mr Trott and Mr Cox	Shakespeare U2	3:30-4:30

All clubs are free of charge and open to all students unless identified above.

You must sign up for the club via Arbor (except homework club and revision hub).

***Steel bands and production rehearsals are by invitation/audition only.**

If, for any reason, clubs are unable to run on a particular day, parents will be informed via email and the school's Facebook page.

Clubs will not run on Mondays when we have Staff Inset training sessions but parents will be informed in advance of this.

Let's Build a 
**KINDER,
SAFER
HAMPSHIRE**

Everyone has the right to
feel safe and be respected.

Help and support is available.



Call Hampshire
Domestic Abuse Service
03300 165 112 (24/7)




Visit
hants.gov.uk/domesticabuse
for support and information



In an emergency, always dial **999**.

**DOMESTIC
ABUSE
CAN AFFECT
ANYONE**



*Together, we can
make a difference.* 

**YOU
ARE NOT
ALONE**

**Let's listen. Let's support.
Let's build a safer Hampshire.**
#SaferHampshire



**Hampshire
County Council**

WATER SAFETY

Stay safe. Have fun. Enjoy the water. 

DROWNING IS ONE OF THE LEADING CAUSES OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH IN CHILDREN IN THE UK.
MOST INCIDENTS ARE PREVENTABLE.



As the weather warms up, children and young people spend more time around water – at home, on days out or on holiday. Let's keep them safe.



Almost half of drownings occur during the summer months when temperatures are higher – especially when 25°C or above.

THE HSCP WATER SAFETY TOOLKIT FOR PARENTS & CARERS INCLUDES:



EVERYDAY RISKS AT HOME

Including bath time safety and garden hazards.



STAYING SAFE OUTDOORS

Such as the beach, around rivers and in open water.



PRACTICAL SAFETY ADVICE

Including the Water Safety Code and how to "Float to Live".



AGE-SPECIFIC GUIDANCE

For babies, young children, older children and teenagers.



WHAT TO DO IN AN EMERGENCY

Including simple first aid steps and where to find further support.

Small actions, big difference 

- ✓ Keep children within arm's reach of water.
- ✓ Choose safe places to swim.
- ✓ Talk to your children about water safety.

Together, we can help prevent tragedies and keep our children safe this summer. 



For practical advice and resources, download the Water Safety Toolkit: www.hampshirescp.org.uk/parents-and-carers/water-safety/



Enjoy the water
Stay safe
Look out for each other



HSCP
Hampshire Safeguarding
Children Partnership

Safeguarding children together

SPARSHOLT
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**OPEN
EVENTS**

SATURDAY 3 OCTOBER 2026

SATURDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2026

SATURDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2027

SATURDAY 6 MARCH 2027

WEDNESDAY 28 APRIL 2027

THURSDAY 10 JUNE 2027



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