



CRESTWOOD
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

PARENT BULLETIN

WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2024

Key Messages:

- **Week 1 Menu 2** [here](#)
- Staff Training Monday 18th November 3 - 5pm - all after school clubs are cancelled this night
- It is disappointing that yet again an anonymous parent has taken to Facebook to complain about the school food. Please direct any concerns to the school directly, Social Media will not get your concerns resolved, but we can.
- Advanced notice - Our annual Christkindlmarkt will be held on 5th December, on the Shakespeare Campus. This will run between 6-8pm. And it is a great Crestwood Christmas experience! We hope you can save the date.
- We have a literacy and numeracy workshop for Year 7 and 8 parents on 21st November. A letter has been sent out. You can book a place via <https://crestwoodcommunity.schoolcloud.co.uk>
- Please can we ask parents to ensure they are using ClassCharts. This is the primary way of reporting your child's absence from school, showing what homework your child has and giving an overview of their behaviour. If you do not have access, please contact itsupport@crestwood.hants.sch.uk who will support you.
- We have established a new email account to deal with inappropriate communications from parents. This includes social media posts, emails, phone calls and in-person conversations. Any communications that are not in line with our communication policy will not be responded to. We request that parents do not enter the premises aggressively as you may be banned from the site.
- For more information on our extracurricular activities, please visit ([here](#))
- **REPORTING CHILD ABSENCE**

The easiest and quickest way to report your child's absence is via the ClassCharts parent app, click on the child's name and select 'report absence' - this would be the preferred option. Please note: you will need to contact the school via ClassCharts each day of your child's absence.

Below are alternate ways that you can also report a child absence:

Send a text message to 01208 455002 (please note this number does not accept phone calls)
Email sc8504191a@schoolcomms.com (only to be used for absence reporting and only if we have your email address registered on our system) Email attendance@crestwood.hants.sch.uk

We are seeing a substantial increase in children's absence for minor illnesses, if you're unsure as to whether your child is well enough for school please visit this website:
<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

In our collective effort to ensure the well-being of all students, we kindly request your support in providing more details if your child is feeling unwell. Whether it's flu, vomiting, tonsillitis, or any other specifics, this additional information aids us in offering the best care and understanding your child's needs. Your cooperation is invaluable in maintaining a safe and nurturing environment for everyone. Thank you for entrusting us with your child's well-being.

We sincerely thank you for your continued support in helping us to improve attendance.

- Holiday requests need to be made in writing via the Hampshire Holiday form. These are available from the school. Holidays will not be approved unless in **exceptional circumstances**. Where you have children across multiple schools we will liaise and make a joint decision. Any attendance that is below 90% cannot be approved.

Key Dates: Link to the school calendar: <https://www.crestwood.hants.sch.uk/school-information/calendar>

A reminder of the extracurricular clubs this week:

<https://www.crestwood.hants.sch.uk/assets/Letters/2024/Extra-Curricular-Clubs-Spring-1-2024.pdf>

Letters sent home:

[Letters Home - CRESTWOOD - COMMUNITY SCHOOL](#)

Class Charts:

[CRESTWOOD - COMMUNITY SCHOOL](#)

Vacancies:

<https://www.crestwood.hants.sch.uk/school-information/vacancies/>

School Day:

<https://www.crestwood.hants.sch.uk/school-information/school-day/>

Homework Calendar:

<https://www.classcharts.com/homework/calendar/Crestwood-Community-School>

Online Payments:

<https://www.scopay.com/login>

Link to social media posts:

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.

School Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IYGODdpBdRE>

Knowledge Organisers

Knowledge Organisers for all subjects are available on our website. They are a very useful revision tool. They can be accessed via;

<https://www.crestwood.hants.sch.uk/Security/login?BackURL=%2Fstudents%2Fknowledge>

[organisers%2Fknowledge-organisers%2F](#)

User name: knowledge

Password: Crestwood19

Try SORA our new reading app, in partnership with sIs, by clicking the link below:

<https://soraapp.com/library/hampshiresIs>

Borrow eBooks, Audiobooks and Magazines for **free** using your student credentials.

Fake news, hoaxes and misinformation, NSPCC

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/inappropriate-explicit-content/fake-news/>

SHARE Checklist, GOV.UK – HM Government

<https://sharechecklist.gov.uk>

Link to mental health/parenting websites:

[Kooth is an online platform to support young people with their wellbeing](#), where they can access free, safe anonymous support

111 Mental Health Triage Team, below is a youtube clip to explain what is and how it works

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ktfb0WXGpVI>

[On and around water - Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire & Rescue Service, Official website of Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire & Rescue Service \(hantsfire.gov.uk\)](#)

SHOUT - text 85258 for a free confidential text service open 24/7

[Parents and Carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

[Parent Zone](#)

[CEOP Education](#)

[Reporting harmful content online](#)

[Childline. Online bullying](#)

[PARENT ONLINE SAFETY](#)

London Grid for Learning (LGfL) has released a new online resource aimed at helping schools to support parents around online safety. For adults with busy lives and various responsibilities, it is not always feasible to maintain a grasp on advancing technologies. Particularly when those technologies might not be aimed at their age demographic, but will be aimed at their children's age brackets. LGfL's presentation - Parent Online Safety: A Ready-to-use resource - aims to get parents familiar with topics such as social media, gaming, and online harm.

The presentation can be found here: <https://lgfl.net/safeguarding/parent-online-safety>

[Parental control software](#)

Every School Day Counts

0 Days off school

100%

Perfection

Equates to 2 days off school each year

99%

Excellent

Equates to 5 days off school each year

97%

Good

Equates to 10 days off school each year

95%

Slight Concern

Equates to 20 days off school each year

90%

Concerned

Equates to 30 days off school each year

85%

Very Concerned

5 days absence over the whole year

97% - 100%

Good chance of success and progress

20 days absence over the whole year

90%

Less chance of success and harder to make progress

20+ days absence over the whole year

Under 90%

Deterimental to success and progress

Every Minute Counts

LATENESS = LOST LEARNING

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 Minutes late each day	3 Days lost!
10 Minutes late each day	6.5 Days lost!
15 Minutes late each day	10 Days lost!
20 Minutes late each day	13 Days lost!
30 Minutes late each day	19 Days lost!





If you do not follow the behaviour principles, this is what will happen:



Opportunity 1

You will have a chance to correct your behaviour.

Opportunity 2

You will have a final chance to put things right, Your teacher may move you to another seat, ask you to step outside or speak to you outside, or they may choose other options. That is the teacher's choice.

Consequence

If you still fail to meet your teacher's expectations, there will be a consequence. If you have to be parked, you will automatically be in After School Reflection and your parents will be informed.



Extra-Curricular Clubs Autumn Term 2024

Day	Extra Curricular Activity	Campus/Venue	Time
Every Day	Homework Clubs	Library/IT Room (both campuses)	3.00-4.00 3.00-3.30 (Fri)
Monday	Year 7 Boys Basketball	Both campuses	12.20-12.55
	Year 9 Steel Band Existing players	Shakespeare U2 Cherbourg T1	3:30-4:30 CH week 1 SH week 2
	Crochet and Knitting Club For beginners and experienced crafters.	Cherbourg Library	3.00-4.00
	Band Camp! Rock & Pop Band	Both campuses Music Rooms	3.30-4.30 SH week 1 CH week 2
	Creative Writing	Shakespeare Library	3:00 - 4:00
	KS3 Drama club	Drama studio - Shakespeare Drama Studio (M19) - Cherbourg	3:00 - 4:00
	KS3 Football	Both campuses	3.00-4.00
	KS3 Clay Club	Shakespeare	3.00 - 4.00 Wk 1
Tuesday	KS3 Clay Club	Cherbourg	3.00 - 4.00 Wk 2
	KS3 Girls Basketball	Both campuses	12.20-12.55
	Year 11 Dance GCSE Rehearsals	Both campuses	12.20-12.55
	Yr10 Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme (Starting Mid October)	Shakespeare G17	3:00 - 4:30 Week 2
	Newbies Steel Band (Y9/10/11) (Enhancement is the priority) Existing players	Shakespeare U2 Cherbourg T1	3:30-4:30 CH week 1 SH week 2
	Production Rehearsals - Acting & Dancing	Cherbourg Main Hall	3:30-5:30
	The Writer's Room	Shakespeare G23	3.00-4.00
	Netball	Both campuses	3.00-4.00
Wednesday	Crochet and Knitting Club For beginners and experienced crafters.	Shakespeare Library	3.00-4.00
	Year 11 Basketball	Both campuses	12.20-12.55
Thursday	D&D Club	Shakespeare Library	3.00-4.00
	Production Rehearsals - Singing	Shakespeare U2	3:30-4:30
	Dance Live (Audition only)	Shakespeare Dance Studio	3.30-5.00
	Panatical Steel Band	Cherbourg T1	4:30-7:00
	Yr10 Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme (Starting Mid October)	Cherbourg M11	3:00-4:30 Week 2
	Science Club Yr 7 & 8	Shakespeare G9/ Cherbourg M15	3:00-4.00
	Chess Club	Shakespeare Library	3.00-4.00
Friday	Badminton	Both campuses	3.00-4.00
	Year 10 Basketball	Both campuses	12.20-12.55
	Production Rehearsals - Pit Band Invitation only	Shakespeare U2 Cherbourg T1	3:30-4:30 SH week 1 CH week 2
	Board Games Club	Shakespeare G27	3:00-4:00 Week 1
	Year 8 Steel Band (Existing players) Any other interested pupils see Miss Glenn/Mr Downs	Shakespeare U2 Cherbourg T1	3:30-4:30 CH week 1 SH week 2

All clubs are free of charge and open to all students unless identified above. Remember to tell an adult at home that you are attending a club!
Please turn up for the first session and register. *Steel bands and production rehearsals are by invitation/audition only.
Signing up for a club is a commitment and you should let the member of staff running the club know if you are unable to attend. Registers will be taken at each session. Unless you hear otherwise, please assume that you have a place in your chosen club. If clubs are heavily oversubscribed we will contact the students concerned. If, for any reason, clubs are unable to run on a particular day, parents will be informed via Schoolcomms 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.

