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Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely summer break. The children have all come back ready to learn and are already showing a 'can do' attitude. We have welcomed new staff and new children joining us from other schools and hope that everyone has a successful year.



School Performance Data

The school achieved some very good results at the end of the last academic year.

Below are the results for the children who achieved above the national expected standard.

Primary Statutory Assessments Results	Cromer Road EXS + 2025-2026	Barnet LA EXS + 2025-2026	National EXS + 2025-2026
Maths	82%	82%	75%
Reading	81%	82%	75%
Writing (TA)	82%	76%	73%
RWM (Reading, Writing, and Maths combined)	76%	70%	63%

We are proud of the children's achievements and would like to thank the Year 6 team for all their efforts. Cromer Road Primary continues to produce good results.

Above national average results:

Primary Statutory Assessments Results	Cromer Road GDPTH 2025-2026	Barnet LA GDPTH 2025-2026	National GDPTH 2025-2026
Maths	32%	38%	27%
Reading	32%	42%	31%
Writing (TA)	27%	18%	13%

Meet the teacher meetings

We will be holding meet-the-teacher meetings on the following dates and at the following times in the hall:

Tuesday 15th September

Year 4 at 9 am
Year 5 at 2.45 pm

Friday 18th September

Year 1 at 9 am
Year 3 at 2.45 pm

Monday 21st September

Year 6 at 9 am, followed by Year 6 residential presentation (longer session)
Year 2 at 2.45 pm

Thursday 24th September

EYFS at 9 am, followed by a phonics workshop (longer session)

The meetings will last approximately 20 minutes. The presentations will be uploaded to the classroom pages on the school website for those who cannot make the above times.

Take One Picture Project

This year, we will be taking part in The National Gallery's Take One Picture Project again. A classic painting is used as the stimulus for creating a range of work, including painting, sketching and modelling. This year's picture is 'A Muse (Calliope?)' by Cosimo Tura.



The children suggest ideas for the focus of their artwork, and one is chosen. Some classes are replicating the whole picture using paint or pencils, some are making 3D models of the creatures in the painting, and some are taking specific parts of the picture and creating their own versions. We look forward to seeing the

final pieces!

PE

Children can continue to come to school wearing their PE kit on their given PE day, which are as follows:

Year 1 - Wednesday
 Year 2 - Thursday
 Year 3 - Tuesday
 Year 4 - Thursday
 Year 5 - Wednesday
 Year 6 - Monday

Children will receive a second PE lesson during the week, delivered by their teacher, which will be a dance-based lesson and will not require the children to wear PE kits.

Uniform



We need your support in helping us to maintain our high standards. Can we ask that our uniform policy be followed when sending your child to school and that **all uniform is labelled**. Please ensure that you adhere to the following:

- No nail polish
- Blue and white hair accessories only
- Black school shoes/plain black trainers
- For those children wearing hijab, please ensure that it is the school colours: navy, grey, or white, and that it is also plain
- Plain navy shorts for PE, no branded kit
- Only plain gold/silver studs, no other jewellery
- A small, inexpensive watch can be worn, but no smartwatches or Fitbit-type watches, as these are expensive and can be easily damaged
- Children can **only wear trainers on their PE day** with Complete Sports.

As per the government guidance, please see our uniform policy, which can be found on our website, for more information about which items should be branded with the school logo and which can be generic:

<https://www.cromerroad.com/Policies/>

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.

World Cup Winners

Last term in Breakfast Club, a World Cup sweepstake was held where children randomly selected a country in the competition. George in Y6 Elm Class got Spain, and Veronika in Year 3 Magnolia Class got Argentina. They both received a replica World Cup football, with George also receiving a first-place medal!



Thank you to Ms Curl for organising the sweepstake and the prizes.

New staff



We have new members of staff who have joined us at the start of this term:

Miss Bellinger - Chestnut class
Mrs Dixon-Reid - Cover Supervisor
Mrs Dyer- School Business Manager
Mrs Jegede- Mealtime Supervisor
Mrs Kacimi- Mealtime Supervisor

I am sure that everyone in our school community will give them a warm welcome.

Breaktime snacks and packed lunches



As a school, we want all children to have a healthy lunch, whether it is a school dinner or a packed lunch, and I am sure you do too. As a

guide, a balanced packed lunch contains the following: a starchy food such as a wholegrain roll, sandwich, bagel, wrap, or pitta pocket with a savoury filling (e.g. egg, tuna, cheese, or cooked meat), or pasta, rice, potatoes, or noodles. A good source of protein, iron, and zinc, such as meat, fish, beans, or eggs. A good source of calcium, such as milk, cheese, yoghurt, or fromage frais. Plenty of fruit and vegetables, e.g., an apple, a satsuma, a handful of cherry tomatoes, a carrot, cucumber, pepper or celery sticks, a small tub of fruit salad or a small box of raisins. These can also be incorporated into other dishes like pasta salads, wraps, pittas, and sandwiches. Crisps (baked or other low-fat options if possible) or other snacks, such as savoury crackers or breadsticks, are also allowed.

Children are asked not to bring chocolate bars, sweets, sugary cakes, or fizzy drinks in their packed lunches. If so, children will be asked to leave them in their packed lunch bags and take them home.

Unhealthy snacks will not be allowed to be eaten, and this will be explained to your child with a note given to them to bring home. We achieved Gold Healthy Schools status last academic year and are very proud of this. Please continue to support us in providing healthy snacks for your child.

Volunteering for school trips



Please ensure you have read and signed the Parent Volunteer Contract before attending and volunteering on any trip. All volunteers are expected to follow the

guidelines outlined in the contract to help ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all children. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Trauma Informed Gold Mark 2025-2026 Award



We are very proud to have been awarded Gold for being a

trauma-informed school for a second-year running. We have completed three years on our journey to date. Last year's projects included Forest School, a poster competition for the Brain, Hand and Window of Tolerance, and Sports Mentorship programmes with Mill Hill County High School. Year 10's sports mentors helped champion and model sportsmanship for our pupils on sports day. Additionally, we have offered Happy Parent, Happy Child Coffee mornings for our community.

We look forward to continuing this exciting journey and thank you to everyone who has also supported us, particularly our incredible CRSA, who fully funded the Forest School last year.



Class emails

Each class has a generic class email address where you can contact the teacher about your child. Emails sent to the class email address may not always be monitored on a daily basis; therefore, please contact the school office if it is an urgent matter for that day, and we will ensure your message gets to the class teacher. **Please do not approach the staff at drop-off in the morning, as the teachers are busy settling the children for the day and cannot do so whilst speaking to parents.** Class teachers will respond to emails during school working hours and will ensure to respond to your emails in a timely manner. The email addresses are as follows:

willow@cromerroad.com

sycamore@cromerroad.com

birch@cromerroad.com

rowan@cromerroad.com

cedar@cromerroad.com

mulberry@cromerroad.com

holly@cromerroad.com

magnolia@cromerroad.com

cherry@cromerroad.com

chestnut@cromerroad.com

beech@cromerroad.com

maple@cromerroad.com

elm@cromerroad.com

juniper@cromerroad.com

End-of-Day Pickup

If another authorised adult is collecting your child from school at short notice and you are informing us in the afternoon, please ensure that you **ring** the office. Please do not send an email, as it may not get actioned.

We hope you have a restful weekend.

Mrs O'Donnell
Headteacher

ATTEND TODAY
ACHIEVE TOMORROW



Every day in school

Our Target is 97%

Attendance for w/c 1st Sept 2026

Y1 Rowan Class 96.6%

Y6 Elm Class 97.8%

DIARY DATES 2025/26



September 2026

- Tues 15th 9am Y4 Meet the Teacher meeting
2.45pm Y5 Meet the Teacher meeting
- Fri 18th 9am Y1 Meet the Teacher meeting
2.45pm Y3 Meet the Teacher meeting
- Mon 21st 8.50am CRSA Little Recyclers, please bring to school your unwanted clothes for recycling.
9am Y6 Meet the Teacher meeting, followed by Y6 residential presentation (longer session)
2.45pm Y2 Meet the Teacher meeting
- Thurs 24th 9am Reception class Meet the Teacher meeting, followed by a phonics workshop (longer session)
- Mon 28th Individual School Photos
- Mon 28th Y5 Maple Class swimming all week
- Tues 29th Y4 Cherry trip to Barnet Environment Centre
- Wed 30th CRSA AGM 7.30pm
- Wed 30th Y4 Chestnut trip to Barnet Environment Centre

October 2026

- Thurs 1st Flu Vaccinations 1st Session Rec-Y6
- Mon 5th Y5 Maple Class swimming all week
- 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

Mon 26th—Fri 30th Half Term

November 2026

- Fri 13th CRSA Quiz Night Adults only
- Sat 21st CRSA Winter Fair 1-4pm
- Wed 25th CRSA Braid Maidens
- Thurs 29th Flu Vaccinations 2nd Session Rec-Y6

December 2026

- Thurs 3rd 6pm CRSA Xmas Wreath Workshop

Dates published 4/9/26

Key: New dates added since last newsletter

CROMER ROAD ALLEY
AUTUMN 1 & AUTUMN 2



Craft Alley
Tuesdays
3.20pm-4.20pm
£45

Art Alley
Wednesdays
3.20pm-4.20pm
£40



SCAN QR CODE FOR DATES



Autumn 1 Craft and Art Alley Dates 41-46

Craft Alley £45

Tuesday 8th September 2026 - Tuesday 6th October 2026
3.20pm to 4.20pm

Art Alley £40

Wednesday 9th September 2026 - Wednesday 7th October 2026
3.20pm to 4.20pm

Autumn 2 Craft and Art Alley Dates

Craft Alley £45

Tuesday 3rd November 2026 - Tuesday 1st December 2026
3.20pm to 4.20pm

Art Alley £40

Wednesday 4th November - Wednesday 2nd December 2026
3.20pm to 4.20pm
3.20pm to 4.20pm

Payment: Only by bank transfer

Mrs Kim Connolly, Halifax

Sort Code: 11-13-89

Account: 10936062

Reference: child's name

Please pay before attending the first session. Email
cromerartalley@gmail.com to confirm your child's name, class and which
day they will be attending

Please note that if you are late collecting your child then a charge of £2.50
per 5 minutes will be charged.

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- 📍 Cromer Road Primary School, EN5 5HT
- 🕒 Session 1 - 10am - 11:15am (3-5yrs)
- 🕒 Session 2 - 11:15am - 1:30pm (6-12yrs)

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Highlighted Benefits:

- ✓ Builds confidence, creativity & self-belief
- ✓ Fun, supportive classes for every ability
- ✓ Creative environment led by industry-professional teachers
- ✓ Every child valued, nurtured and seen
- ✓ Encourages big dreams and bold ideas
- ✓ Helping children find their voice

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*A message from our **Principal...***

Dare to Dream Performing Arts is an independent school born from a long-held dream of mine to create a space where children feel **confident, supported, and free to dream big.**

Our classes are **fun, inclusive, and nurturing**, with a strong focus on building **confidence and creativity**. Encouraging **self-belief** is at the heart of what we do with every child able to grow at their own pace in a **safe, welcoming** environment. Every moment they are with us is special, their **progress is celebrated** and their **individuality is valued**.

Whether your child is stepping into performing arts for the first time or already loves the stage, Dare to Dream is a place where they are supported to **believe in themselves** and shine both on and off the stage.

I look forward to welcoming you and your child to our classes, where we **dare them to believe in their dreams, find their voice and shine like the star they are.**

Alicia O'Neill
Founder and Principal



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