



CRESTWOOD
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

PARENT BULLETIN

WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 20TH APRIL 2026

Week B Menu 2

KEY MESSAGES THIS WEEK

- It has been really lovely seeing so many students adopting the new uniform on their return. SkoolKit now has ties back in stock, so there is no longer a reason for students to be without one should they continue wearing the old uniform.

A REMINDER FROM **SEPTEMBER 2026 THE UNIFORM WILL BE:**

- Red logoed polo - Year 7 - 9
 - Black logoed polo - Year 10 - 11
 - Grey logoed V neck sweatshirt
 - Students can still wear the existing uniform for the academic year 2026/27
 - Year 11 will still receive a tie in their first assembly if they require one
- 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 are in the summer break.
 - Year 11 Prom will be taking place at St Mary's Stadium on Thursday 30th June.
 - We have several vacancies advertised at the moment. Please look at our vacancies page on our website at [Vacancies - CRESTWOOD - COMMUNITY SCHOOL](#)
 - **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

KEY DATES FOR PARENTS

- Year 11 pre exam workshop - Thursday 23rd April at 6pm, Cherbourg. We encourage all Year 11 parents to attend this essential meeting.
- The **INSET Days for 2026/27** have been agreed. These are:
 - **Tuesday 1st September 2026**
 - **Wednesday 2nd September 2026**

- **Friday 23rd October 2026**
- **Monday November 2nd 2026**
- **Wednesday 21st July 2027**

KEY SCHOOL LINKS FOR PARENTS

- [Updating the Arbor App](#)
- [Reporting my child's absence via Arbor](#) or email attendance@Crestwood.hants.sch.uk
- [Absence requests, including holidays](#)
- [Extra Curricular Activities](#)
- There is currently a known issue when accepting the terms of use in version 1.0.7 of the Arbor Student app, which results in an SA-0057 error. The Arbor engineers are currently investigating this. In the meantime, the recommended workaround is for students to access the Student Portal through a web browser on their device. IT Support enquiries should be directed to [IT Support](#)
- [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.commonsensemedia.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.