



The Craylands School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

A big well done to all of the Reception children this week who have coped with their first full week at Craylands very well indeed. They are settling into their routine well. A big thank you to all the staff in EYFS for making the transition to school a success for them.

As we have many new parents who wait in the playground at the end of the school day, could I please remind you all that children are not to be using the trim trail or tyre park at the end of the school day. Many thanks for your co-operation with this.

With our Early Years just joining us, it is that time of the year when those children due to start school in September 2017 begin to look at schools. We will be holding an Open Morning for prospective parents/carers on Monday 14th November from 10.00-11.30am. I will give a brief talk explaining the admission procedures at 10am, followed by a tour of the school. If you have a younger child due to start school next September (dob Sept 12 – Aug 13) and have not yet completed an Interest in Admission form, please inform the School Office as soon as possible.

Did you hear that Hollywood is coming to Craylands? The film company Shoebox Productions has contacted the school to ask to use the grounds for some drop off scenes for the film. Titled 'The Escape'. The film, starring Gemma Arterton of James Bond fame amongst others, is about a young woman at a crossroads in her life, as she struggles to chase her dreams alongside her responsibilities as a mother and a wife. She decides on a change and heads off to Paris to find herself. We look forward to the filming of these scenes in the not so distant future.

I have been made aware that after school this week, the traffic has been busy at times. As we expand as a school, the increased numbers will certainly impact on the roads and car parks surrounding the school. I would encourage only those families who do not live within walking distance to drive their car to school—everyone else should do their very best to walk to school. Walking is an excellent form of exercise for adults and children!

This week, Mr Richard Lees stepped down as chairman and governor from the governing body. Mr Lees has been a driving force on the school governing body since the very first years of Craylands existence, chairing it for many years now. The school thank him for all his hard work, dedication and commitment to supporting staff, parents and pupils and improving standards. Mrs Jo Penn was nominated as the new chair this week with Mrs Linda Cowey as vice chair. We know that they will continue with the strong governance demonstrated under the chair of Mr Lees.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Mr Hiscock (Headteacher)

Upcoming Events

6/10	Yr 6 boys 7-a-side football tournament (details to follow)
10/10	Start sending in food for Harvest
21/10	Friends of Craylands Firework display
24-28/10	OCT HALF TERM
31/10	INSET DAY
7/11	Year 1 & 2 STAR assemblies
8/11	Year 3 & 4 STAR assemblies
9/11	Year 5 & 6 STAR assemblies
12/12	Year 1 & 2 Respect assemblies
13/12	Year 3 & 4 Respect assemblies
14/12	Year 5 & 6 Respect assemblies

Reminders!

- You can keep up to date with news by following the school on Twitter @Craylands
- Please ensure you provide a written note to cover any absences, even if you have already phoned in. Do your best to ensure your child attends schools as much as possible. 95% is good attendance; anyone below 90% will be contacted.
- Holidays should not be taken during term time—this can really impact on your child's education with them missing important lessons which they do not always have the time to catch up on.

Each week, this newsletter will celebrate all those at The Craylands School who received a Craylearner certificate, respect certificate, those chosen to be a WOW writer, SUM DOG results as well as announcing the weekly team winners.

Our pupils really are champions at Craylands!



Mara (Elmer Class)
Poppy (Gruffalo Class)
Libby (Dahl Class)
Shannon S (Walliams Class)
Debbie (Horowitz Class)
Grace (Morpurgo Class)

The respect certificates were issued to.....

Michael (Elmer Class) Hanisga (Gruffalo Class)
David (Dahl Class)
Ella C (Walliams Class)
Bobbie-Ann (Horowitz Class)
Shannon (Morpurgo Class)



WOW Writers

Abiola (Elmer)
Isabel (Gruffalo)
Eray (Dahl)
Sienna (Walliams)
Alfie F (Horowitz)
Cameron (Morpurgo)



SUMDOG Class winners were.....



Year 4

Achievements
outside of school

Maxx (Morpurgo class) has been chosen as vice captain of the Dartford District Football Team—well done and good luck in your first match this weekend.

George G and Harry F competed in NK youth football league under 9 tournament and their team won—congratulations boys!

This week's
winning team is...

Rochester 

Good to be green
behaviour awards...

Dahl & Walliams

