



# The Craylands School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Where is the year going..I can't believe we're in March already!

Speaking about time flying - our Y6 children found out this week where they are going to secondary school in September. However, before they leave us, there is still time for more hard work to ensure they make as much progress and attain to the best of their abilities. We have started revision sessions in the afternoons and many of the children are attending early morning booster sessions to help prepare them for the SATS tests in May. If your child got a letter about these and is not attending, I urge you to encourage your child to come as the more practise they have at the tests, the better it will be for them in May.

Many thanks to those of you who attended the ST-AR-T assemblies this week. I am sure that you will agree the children have taken part in a wide range of creative activities; it was great to see many of them acting, reading aloud and presenting their work in front of an audience. Many thanks must also go to the staff for planning such a broad and balanced curriculum for the children.

On Thursday the school was visited by an author as part of World Book Day. The children looked fantastic in their book related costumes, whilst learning about life as an author and finding out about the books she has written. They have produced some fantastic work, based on a book called 'Journey'. It has really hooked the children's imaginations. Big thank you to Mrs Bricher for organising the week—prizes will be issued next week for the top writers in the school.

The new 'Reading Around the World' reading scheme was started this week. Your child needs to read at least 10 minutes per day to travel onto the next destination on their maps. We look forward to issuing the first certificates for those who reach their next continent. Reading is so important for any age group - please support the school by ensuring your child reads regularly.

Has your child been part of Lenny's pride yet? A new initiative, to ensure the children take as much pride in their work as possible, has been launched in the school. Staff are looking for children who have clearly shown pride in their work - these will then receive a 'Lenny's Pride' certificate.

Next Thursday is parents evening. Throughout the evening, as well as having an opportunity to look at the children's books, I will be asking parents/carers to complete a questionnaire so you can share your views on the school - what we are doing well and what you would like us to continue to improve.

E-safety session is being run 9am Monday morning—if you have an hour to spare, why not come along to this important workshop.

We will continue with the drop-off zone for another week and update you further next week. Have a good weekend.

Mr Hiscock (Headteacher)

## Upcoming Events

6/3/17	E-safety workshop option 1 (9am—10 am)
9/3/17	Parents evening
13/3/17	Expansion meeting 9am
24/3/17	Friends of Craylands Neon disco
31/3/17	Term 4 ends
3-6/4/17	SATS Easter School pupils to be invited)
18/4/17	Term 5 starts
8/5/17-26/5/17	KS1 SATs test spread out
8 - 13/5/17	KS2 SATs tests

## Reminders!

- There are a few spaces in Change4life club (Y1+Y2) on a Tuesday and also Gymnastics Club (run by DLJ Sports Coaching on Thursdays).
- Please pay Sodexo school meals in advance. The cost is £2.40 per day.
- Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school; they are able to wear jogging bottoms and a long sleeve top for outside games.
- It is still too cold for children to be wearing shorts to school—I do not want to see children in shorts until at least term 5 please.

Each week, this newsletter will celebrate all those at The Craylands School who received a Craylearner certificate, R.O.A.R. 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!



Freddie B (Hungry Caterpillar)  
Charlie R (Rainbow Fish)  
Daniel O (Elmer Class)  
Daisy F (Gruffalo Class)  
Summer (Dahl Class)  
Travis & Dylan (Walliams Class)  
Alfie F (Horowitz Class)  
Bill (Morpurgo Class)

### The R.O.A.R. certificates were issued to.....

Jayden (Hungry Caterpillar)  
Lilly B (Rainbow Fish) Michael (Elmer Class)  
Gideon (Gruffalo Class)  
Eray (Dahl Class)  
Shannon (Walliams Class)  
Laurita (Horowitz Class)  
Ashanti (Morpurgo Class)  
MMS award— Alfie P (Dahl)



### WOW Writers



Sophia (Elmer Class)  
Violet (Gruffalo Class)  
Ryan (Dahl Class)  
Dylan & Travis (Walliams)  
Demi-L N (Horowitz)  
Zahra (Morpurgo)



### SUMDOG Class winners were.....

## Gruffalo

Top 3— Ben (Gruffalo), Tony (Walliams), Mark (Elmer)

### Achievements outside school:

Congratulations to Annabelle S (Y3D) who achieved her 100m swimming badge last Saturday, outside of school. Congratulations to Freya S (Y2G) who achieved her 20m swimming badge last Saturday.

Ella W (Hungry Caterpillar) has gained level 8 in gymnastics.

We are very proud to announce one of our ex-pupils Eji O has just had her first book published called 'The Edge' and is available to buy on Amazon.

### This week's winning team is...

Hever



### Good to be green behaviour awards...

Elmer, Dahl, Morpurgo

