



# The Craylands School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

What a change in the weather—the children may wear shorts if they would rather in the last two weeks of term.

This week, the school has been focussing on national science week. We launched with an assembly on Monday learning about Sir Isaac Newton and Dahl class were visited by Andrew Berry, a Kent science lead, who led a number of science investigations with the class. Also, many of the classes took part in structure challenge on Thursday, where they had to create a structure, using dry spaghetti and marshmallows, which would hold an egg. They had to use their scientific knowledge of materials to design and create the structure. Many thanks to Mrs Fahey for organising.

On Monday this week, Ian Watts and Natasha Petley visited the school to discuss the progress of the expansion programme. Many thanks to the parents and carers who attended and asked questions and/or shared their concerns. I know that there are many of you who are against the school expanding, as you are concerned the school will lose the small, community feel. I can not disagree that the school will not be as small when the expansion is complete, however I will work alongside you, as parents and carers, every step of the way to do my best to continue with the community feel that we currently have.

For those of you who did not attend on Monday, a letter regarding the expansion has been sent out today to explain a little more about the milestones that have been set.

Can I thank those of you who have sent in completed surveys—the vast majority of them are extremely positive and the staff were overwhelmed with all of the nice things that have been said about them. There are, of course, some areas that we can improve upon and I appreciate all feedback, positive and negative; as we teach the children that we learn from our mistakes, as a school, we too must learn and continue to improve along the way. When all of the data has been collated, I shall share with you a report next term.

Sadly, the chicks in EYFS have now gone; the children and staff did a wonderful job of caring for them in their first few weeks of their lives. We hope that they are happy and looked after just as well in their new homes.

Unless you have been give permission for medical reasons or you need to use the disabled bays, please do not park in the school car park at pick up time (this does not apply for collecting from clubs). Thank you.

On Wednesday, the netball team took part in a netball competition. They did very well but lost out in a 'golden goal' scenario. A great team effort though! Today, a small number of boys from Dahl and Walliams class have taken part in a Futsal tournament at Ebbsfleet and came joint first—Congratulations!

Have a good weekend, Mr Hiscock (Headteacher)

## Upcoming Events

21/3/17 9-11am	Maths Workshop (KS2)
24/3/17	Friends of Craylands Neon disco
27/3/17	Y1 + Y2 ROAR assembly
28/3/17	Y3 + Y4 ROAR assembly
29/3/17	Y5 + Y6 ROAR assembly
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!

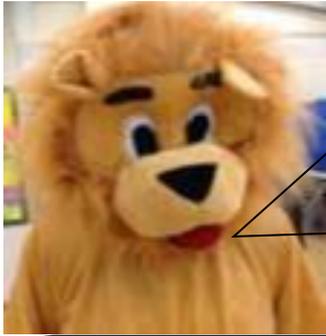
- Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school; they are able to wear jogging bottoms and a long sleeve top for outside games.

- Please check that the uniform your child brings home belongs to them...we have some missing jumpers in the school.

- Although the weather has become warmer, it can still be quite cold at break times so please send your child in with a coat if they feel the cold.

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!



Poppy C (Hungry Caterpillar)  
Jack D (Rainbow Fish)  
Harry (Elmer Class)  
Nathan (Gruffalo Class)  
Jacob (Dahl Class)  
Oliver M (Walliams Class)  
Luke L (Horowitz Class)  
Taylor (Morpurgo Class)

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

- Honey (Hungry Caterpillar)
- Jenson (Rainbow Fish) Ellie J (Elmer Class)
- Bethany (Gruffalo Class)
- Maddison (Dahl Class)
- Millie-Belle (Walliams Class)
- Casey (Horowitz Class)
- Mili S (Morpurgo Class)



### WOW Writers

- Lilly K (Elmer)
- Jessica (Gruffalo)
- Isabelle G (Dahl)
- Ruby (Walliams)
- Alex (Horowitz)
- Cameron (Morpurgo)



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



Top 3— Ben (Gruffalo), Christian (Dahl), Quinn (Walliams)

Achievements  
outside of school

This week's  
winning team is...

Dover



Good to be green behaviour  
awards...

Elmer, Dahl, Morpurgo

