



# The Craylands School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the new academic year and a special welcome to all our new families who have joined us with children in reception. We look forward to working closely with you.

I would also like to welcome the new staff that have joined us this year. Firstly, we have a new deputy head, Miss Blamires; please make her feel welcome by introducing yourself to her when you see her on the school gate. Mrs Meggs and Mrs Healey are teaching Funnybones class, Miss Marlton is teaching Elmer class and Miss Keane is teaching in Rainbow Fish Class. A big welcome to the Craylands community to them all.

Parents of Years 1 to 6 will get the opportunity to meet their child's new teacher at the curriculum information evening taking place on Wednesday 13th September. During this evening, I will be updating you all on a range of school related matters from behaviour to home learning to the expansion. You will then have an opportunity to meet your child's teacher who will share with you what your child will be learning this year. Please do try your best to come along; times were given out in the letter yesterday.

As you can see, there has been lots of work over the summer holidays and there is lots left to take place this year. The hall has been altered internally, making more space as we expand in size and number of children. The extra mobile classroom has been added to enable us to use the existing mobiles as classrooms for our Year 1 pupils this year. Work will commence this term on the new kitchen to the front of the school, installing new gates to the playground and to the brand new two-storey building.

Could I ask parents and carers of Year 1 to please be conscious of where you stand when collecting your child from the mobile classrooms; other parents have found it difficult to move along the path. If you could either stand on the grass or on the hard surface between the mobiles and the KS1 playground I would greatly appreciate it.

All the children have come back and settled into the school routine well; there have been lots of fun and engaging lessons taking place throughout the school based on the STAR topics that the children are learning about. A big well done for them all demonstrating such positive attitudes so early in the school year.

Can I remind you all of the importance of ensuring your child attends school as much as possible. Good attendance is 96% - when a child's attendance falls below this, it can have a detrimental impact on their learning and progress. Please do everything possible to ensure your child attends regularly. May I remind you that term time holidays will not be authorised.

I hope to see many of you on Wednesday—enjoy the weekend.

Mr Hiscock Headteacher

## Upcoming Events

13/9	Information session for Years 1—6
18/9	Teacher-led clubs start this week
20/9	Phonics /info session for EYFS
12/10	Harvest festival
16/10	Individual school photos
17/10 9am	Years 1 & 2 STAR assemblies for parents
18/10 9am	Years 3& 4 STAR assemblies for parents
19/10 9 am	Years 5 & 6 STAR assemblies for parents
20/10	Last day of term
30/10	Start of Term 2: Pupils return

## Reminders!

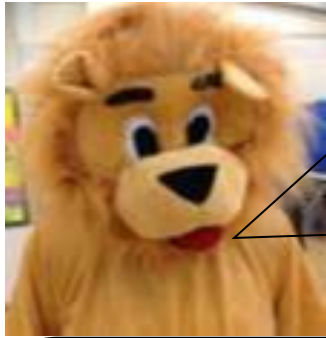
- ALL children should be wearing school shoes NOT trainers—there is no excuse coming back after the summer holidays.

- Please do not allow children to play on the trim trail at the end of the school day.

- Don't forget if your child previously had universal free school meals in Year 2, they now need to be paid for in Year 3 (unless your child's entitlement to free school meals is income based). School meals cost £2.40, and cash/cheques (payable to Sodexo) placed in a named envelope and placed in the Sodexo box in the porch.

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!



James (Elmer Class)  
Laurie (Funnybones Class)  
Max F K (Gruffalo Class)  
Gideon (Dahl Class)  
Sidonie (Walliams Class)  
Franklyn (Horowitz Class)  
Bobbie-Ann (Morpurgo Class)

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

Ben G (Funnybones Class)  
Tristan (Elmer Class)  
Thomas T (Gruffalo Class)  
Nathan M (Dahl Class)  
Eray (Walliams Class)  
Ryan (Horowitz Class)  
Grace (Morpurgo Class)



### WOW Writers



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



During the summer break:  
Lenny B (Y3D), David R (Y4W),  
Jacob G (Y4W)

Achievements  
outside of school:

Congratulations to Luke (Morpurgo Class) who achieved 3rd place in London region for gymnastics and has qualified for nationals. Also, congratulations to Amy (Gruffalo Class) who has achieved her 5m swimming award.

This week's  
winning team is...



Good to be green behaviour  
awards...

