



The Craylands School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been another busy week in school with the children working hard to improve their progress and attainment.

Many thanks to the small groups of parents who attended the assessment workshops this week; I hope that you found them informative. I was able to gain some ideas as to how some of you would like us to report on progress made by your children—we are looking into how we can report the words from the key stage 2 spelling lists that the children were not able to spell on a termly basis so that you know which words to focus on the following term. If you want to see the slideshow and the objectives that we use to assess the children in reading, writing and maths, please look in the parent tab on the school website: www.craylands.kent.sch.uk

I would like to run an e-safety workshop on Tuesday 6th February as part of Safer Internet Day; this workshop will give us an opportunity to discuss how safety is taught to children within the school and allow us all to discuss the risks our children face online and how we can work together to protect them. Please look out for a separate letter on this.

I have asked representatives from Sodexo to help me with preventing parents from using the car park (unless you have permission for medical reasons from myself personally) and the roads immediately outside of the gates. It has been reported to me that this week, they received some verbal abuse from one of our parents—this is unacceptable. I would ask that parents treat all school staff, including those from Sodexo, in a respectful manner—thank you.

Although our overall school attendance is stronger at this point than it was last year, it was in these terms last year that it seemed to decrease rapidly. We are only just above the 96% standard that is acceptable, however it will only take a few long term absences from some of our pupils to bring this down. Since the beginning of this term, there have been some such cases of children being off for a substantial amount of time—this has had an impact on attendance overall and parents will be contacted by the parent and pupil support team if this has meant your child's attendance has fallen below 96%. It is so important that children are in school every day and on time—a huge thank you to those who are; this will certainly help your child to achieve the very best that they can!

Work continues on our expansion; as you can see the kitchen exterior is almost complete and work will soon begin on the interior. On the new build, the first floor will soon be installed as well as the staircases—we are pleased with the overall progress so far and have been told that things are on track.

Let's hope it warms up a little over the weekend—enjoy!

Mr Hiscock (Headteacher)

Upcoming Events

5/2/18	Years 1 & 2 STAR assemblies Y1—9am Y2—2.50pm
6/2/18	Years 3 & 4 STAR assemblies 9am
6/2/18	E-safety workshop
7/2/18	Years 5 & 6 STAR assemblies 9am
9/2/18	Last day of term
19/2/18	First day of term 4
14/5/18	Year 6 SATs week commences (ALL Y6 must be in school every day!)

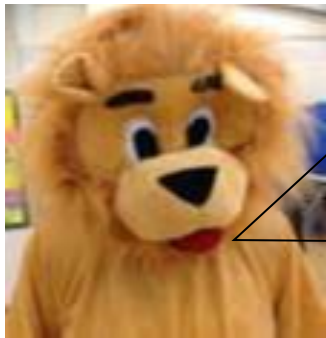
Reminders!

- THE DROP OFF ZONE IS CLOSED IN THE AFTERNOONS — PLEASE DO NOT TRY TO USE THE CAR PARK UNLESS YOU HAVE PERMISSION FROM THE SCHOOL FOR MEDICAL REASONS. THANKYOU.

- Lost property will be sent for recycling at the end of next week — please check none of it is yours!

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!



Arion R (YRHC) Roman A (YRRF)
Lilly S (Elmer Class)
Zachary F (Funnybones Class)
Michael C (Gruffalo Class)
Kai R (Dahl Class)
Oliwia T (Walliams Class)
May B (Horowitz Class)
Maxim D (Morpurgo Class)

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

Archie S (HC) Harrison H (RF)
Lola B (Elmer Class)
Saphyra R (Funnybones Class)
Amelia G (Gruffalo Class)
Daisy F (Dahl Class)
Ella K (Walliams Class)
Caiden B-B (Horowitz Class)
Ewan (Morpurgo Class)



WOW Writers

Lilly S (Y1E)
Jensen J (Y1FB)
Max W (Y2G)
Dakota L (Y3D)
Lila E (Y4W)
Harry F (Y5H)
Ewan and Harvey (Y6M)



SUMDOG Class winners were.....

1st: Max W, 2nd: Saphyra R, 3rd: Daniel O

This week's
winning team is...

Rochester



This week's HERO (Here Every day
Ready On time) Attendance Bear is
awarded to ...

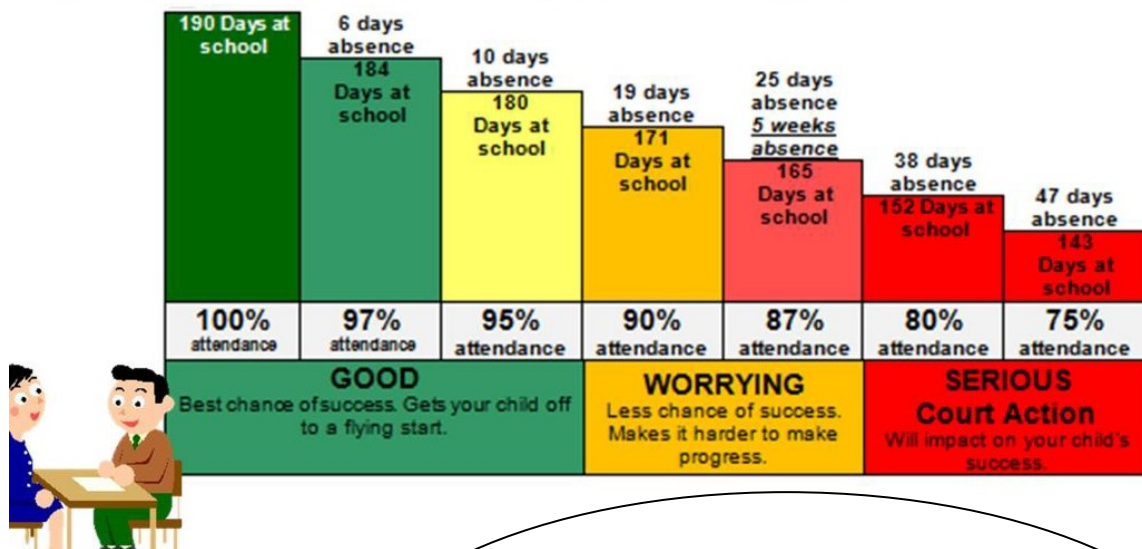
Hungry Caterpillar Class



Achievements outside of school...

Congratulations to Harvey in Morpurgo Class for achieving his RDA Grade 1 Horse Care Proficiency Test. Well done!

Attendance



To be a Craylearner, you need to be in school every day!
100% is what I really want to see!
Less than 96% means you will struggle to be a Craylearner!

Class	Attendance this week	Attendance over the year
Hungry Caterpillar	97.8%	98.0%
Rainbow Fish	94.6%	94.9%
Elmer	94.4%	95.7%
Funnybones	97.2%	95.2%
Gruffalo	97.7%	97.5%
Dahl	94.8%	97.0%
Walliams	97.0%	96.0%
Horowitz	95.0%	96.1%
Morpurgo	95.4%	95.5%

WELL DONE TO.....Hungry Caterpillar Class, followed closely by Gruffalo for your good attendance this week!





What have the Craylearners been learning about this week?
Ask your child to show you their learning from this week at home.

Year group	Maths	Spag
Elmer / Funnybones	Subtraction using a number line. Simple subtraction word problems	Writing story sentences. Recognising and spelling high frequency words and using capital letters and full stops accurately http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/resources/sound-pronunciation-guide/
Gruffalo	Understanding multiplication as grouping and dividing as sharing	Using basic punctuation in sentences, spelling common exception words and learning contractions.
Dahl	Multiplying 2 digits by 1 digit	Using question marks, accurate punctuation and homophones
Walliams	Multiplying and solving problems with multiplication	Using inverted commas and the 'ture' ending in words
Horowitz	Statistics	Cohesion within a paragraph and using semi colons and colons
Morpurgo	Percentages, decimals and fractions	Revision of punctuation and the 'ough' spelling in words

Useful websites:

www.topmarks.co.uk

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/>

<http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/resources/sound-pronunciation-guide/>

