



The Craylands School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Where did that term go to? It's been a very busy one, with lots of exciting learning opportunities taking place.

Many thanks to those of you who came to watch our STAR assemblies this week. It is a shame that I was unable to attend all of them but I have found myself in class or in meetings this week that I have not been able to get out of. The children have combined the arts with written work as well as song to enhance their learning this term and I hope that this showed in the assemblies. There are still some tweaks to these assemblies such as more rehearsal time and use of the microphone but we will address them for the future.

This week, we have celebrated Safer Internet Day; on Tuesday, I ran an e-safety workshop discussing the different risks that face our pupils online. A big thank you to the few parents who were able to attend; I am aware that more wanted to but couldn't due to work commitments. You can find a copy of the powerpoint used and video clips accompanying it on the school website (there are links on here to many resources you could use as conversation starters also).

Also this week, we raised a fantastic amount of money for Cancer Research (nearly £546 so far), as it was World Cancer Day last weekend. We have chosen to raise funds for this as a number of current staff are facing or have faced this horrible disease in one way or another, whether directly or with friends and family (as I am sure is the same with many in our community). We really appreciate all those who attended the afternoon tea and for the funds raised today through non-uniform.

Many thanks to the parent who raised awareness with me that it has also been 'World Children's Mental Health Week'. This is of course a very important issue and we try through our Craylearning and teaching of 'Growth Mindsets' to address children's mental health on a regular basis. I have attached to this newsletter guidance from 'Place2Be,' a charity organisation for mental health in children for your information and use in helping the children of our community to feel happy and safe both in and out of school. I will also ensure that this will be a focus in assemblies throughout next term.

I sent out previously information regarding a number of competitions we are running currently which we encourage your child to take part in (at least one) over the half term break. There is a science competition (extended closing date due to lack of entries), a community logo competition as well as the 500 words short story competition. Please help us to extend our pupils' learning by supporting them in taking part in one of these exciting home learning opportunities.

Wishing you all a safe and enjoyable half term.

Mr Hiscock (Headteacher)

Upcoming Events

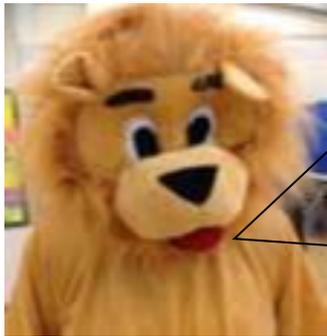
9/2/18	Last day of term
19/2/18	First day of term 4
27/2/18	SATs information sessions KS1 & KS2
8/3/18	Parents Evening
26/3/18	Yr 1 & 2 ROAR assembly
27/3/18	Yr 3 & 4 ROAR assembly
28/3/18	YR 5 & 6 ROAR assembly
14/5/18	Year 6 SATs week commences (ALL Y6 must be in school every day!)

Info and Reminders!

- Please make cheques for school meals payable to Sodexo and place them in the black Sodexo box in the porch area. The price of a school meal is £2.49 per day.
- Please remember to include your child's class name when leaving messages or completing forms for your child.
- Thank you for not using the drop-off zone in the afternoons.

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!



Grace Z (YRHC) Illyana L B (YRRF)
Faren A (Elmer Class)
Jamie-Leigh R (Funnybones Class)
Camren K (Gruffalo Class)
Zackary M (Dahl Class)
whole class (well behaved at swimming) +
Alfie P (Walliams Class)
Tony D (Horowitz Class)
Imogen A (Morpurgo Class)

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

Eva P (HC) Sami H (RF)
Toby F (Elmer Class)
Owen C (Funnybones Class)
Sophia A (Gruffalo Class)
Ben S (Dahl Class)
Lila E (Walliams Class)
Quinn T + Leo M (Horowitz Class)
Damien R (Morpurgo Class)



WOW Writers

Jonny G (Y1E)
Izzie C (Y1FB)
Zach N (Y2G)
Isla H (Y3D)
Ella K (Y4W)
Ruby S (Y5H)
Ruth C (Y6M)



SUMDOG Class winners this week were: 1st: Ruth C, 2nd: Daisy R; 3rd: Xhuljeta O

SUMDOG Term Top Three were: 1st: Max W, 2nd: Saphyra R; 3rd: Ruth C

This week's
winning team is...

Rochester



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

Elmer Class

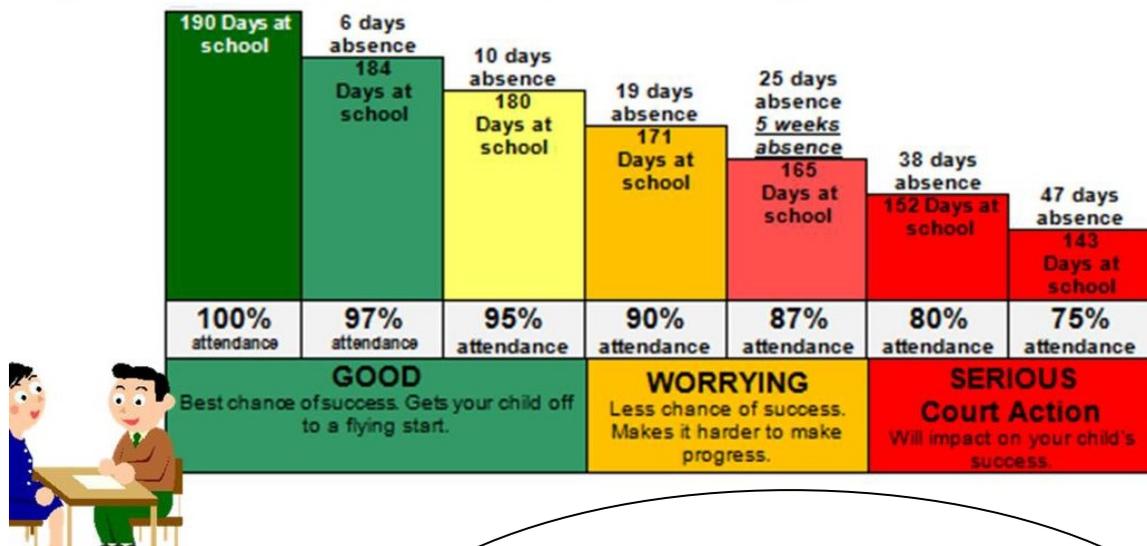


Achievements inside of school...

The year 5/6 football team won against Dartford Bridge Primary School 3-1 last night—well done to all who played.

Summer and Ryan (Walliams) came 1st in their year group in the cross-country competition this week—well done to all the other participants as well!

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	95.7%	97.4%
Rainbow Fish	94.6%	94.6%
Elmer	99.6%	94.9%
Funnybones	97.2%	95.4%
Gruffalo	96.6%	97.2%
Dahl	94.8%	96.8%
Walliams	96.6%	95.9%
Horowitz	87.3%	95.4%
Morpurgo	92.9%	95.1%

WELL DONE TO..... Elmer Class for your fantastic 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	Variety of problem solving, symmetry and word problems.	Understanding nouns, adjectives and verbs. Recognising and spelling high frequency words http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/resources/sound-pronunciation-guide/
Gruffalo	Using pictograms and block diagrams.	Using the possessive apostrophe and a variety of conjunctions.
Dahl	Multiplication and problem solving.	100 year group spellings.
Walliams	Are and correspondence.	100 year group spellings.
Horowitz	Addition and subtraction of fractions.	100 year group spellings.
Morpurgo	Assessments, problem solving and reasoning.	100 year group spellings.

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/>

