



# The Craylands School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Well the weather has certainly become more spring like- I'm sure you will agree we have seen enough snow for now!

It's been a very busy week – it almost feels as if we have started the term all over again. On Wednesday we celebrated World Book Day (postponed from last week due to the weather). I must say that we were all remarkably impressed with the effort that went into the costumes. There were so many different recognisable characters throughout the school including Gangster Granny, Gandalf, Mr Strong, the Wicked Witch of the West, the Cat in the Hat, Harry Potter and plenty of Wallys.

Reading is such an important part of your child's education. The more that they read at home, the greater impact it has on their learning in other subjects. Reading can really improve your child's writing skills as it helps them to develop their imagination as well as their vocabulary choices. Please ensure that as part of your child's home learning, they are reading regularly at home and that this is being recorded in reading records—thank you.

Yesterday, Walliams and Dahl class visited Maidstone Museum as part of their STAR topic on Ancient Egypt. They took part in a workshop on the mummification process and had the opportunity to look at a range of real artefacts including a real mummy! They were very excited to have real life learning experience and were a credit to the school. Many thanks to Mrs Bricher and the other adults who arranged and supervised.

Mr Dymott is currently unwell and will be absent from school until at least Thursday next week; we have arranged for Mrs Strudwick and Mr Bollingbroke (he has carried out supply for the school many times) to cover in his absence.

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended the parents evening last night—we hope you found the opportunity to discuss your child's progress and see their work useful.

This morning, I was concerned over the use of the drop off zone. Please can all drivers use the full length of the drop off zone and not drop off children close to the gate. You need to drop your child off—many of you hug your children, wave them goodbye etc—if you want to do this, you should park up and walk your child to the gate to prevent congestion. Please be cautious when coming into the gates as we have parents and children crossing here and I do not want to see anyone come to any harm. If the drop off zone deteriorates, we may have to cease using it.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend—Mr Hiscock

## Upcoming Events

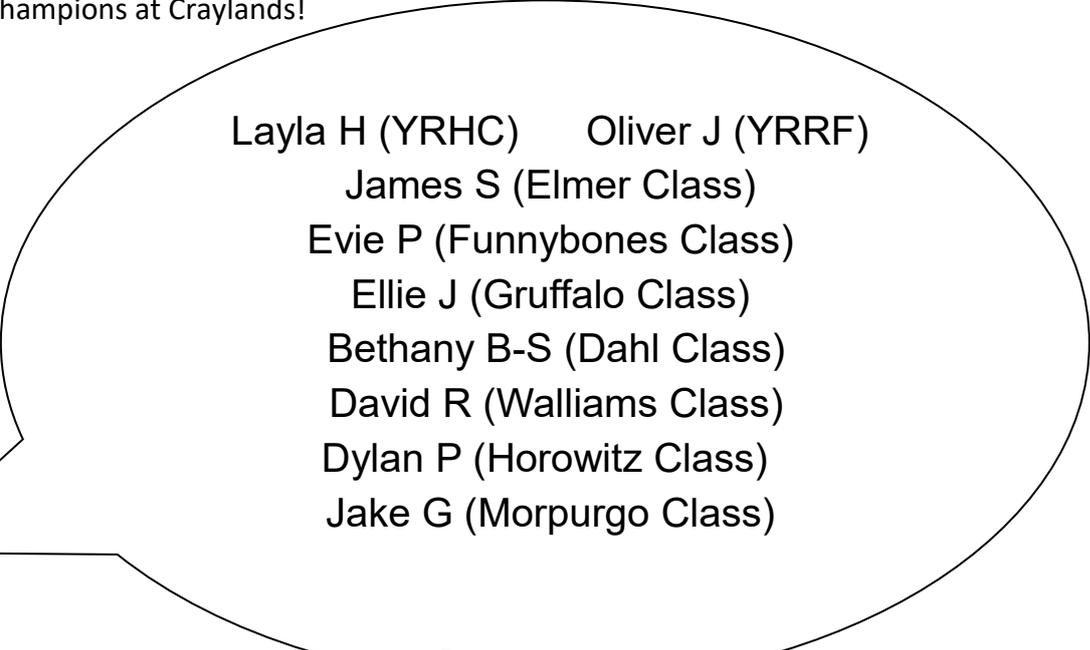
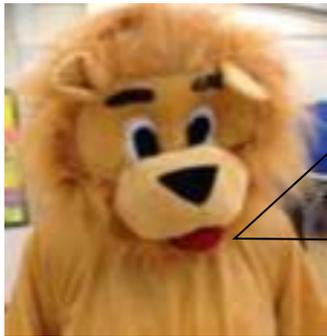
Today	Year 5/6 girls football tourna-
26/3/18	Yr 1&2 ROAR assembly
27/3/18	Yr 3&4 ROAR assembly
28/3/18	YR 5&6 ROAR assembly
14/5/18	Year 6 SATs week commences (ALL Y6 must be in school every day!)
w/c 11/6/18	Year 1 phonics screening checks—Year 1 children need to be in school all week

## Reminders!

- Please ensure all money is clearly labelled in a named envelope with your child's class and what you are paying for.
- If your child is unwell, please remember to follow up your phone call with a note in writing or an email.
- Please DO NOT park in the car park at the end of the school day.
- Please ensure you use the full space in the drop off zone in the mornings to ensure that the road is not being blocked. Thank you.

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!



Layla H (YRHC)    Oliver J (YRRF)  
James S (Elmer Class)  
Evie P (Funnybones Class)  
Ellie J (Gruffalo Class)  
Bethany B-S (Dahl Class)  
David R (Walliams Class)  
Dylan P (Horowitz Class)  
Jake G (Morpurgo Class)

The ROAR certificates were issued to.....

James S (HC) Roman A (RF)  
Olivia P (Elmer Class)  
Benjamin G (Funnybones Class)  
Lilly K (Gruffalo Class)  
All very well behaved on trip (Dahl and)  
" " " " " " (Walliams Class)  
Matthew C (Horowitz Class)  
Abigail G (Morpurgo Class)



WOW Writers

Isla W (Y1E)  
Saphyra R (Y1FB)  
Thomas T (Y2G)  
Rhylee N (Y3D)  
David R (Y4W)  
Jadeena B (Y5H)  
Kit W (Y6M)



SUMDOG Class winners were.....

This week's winning team is...

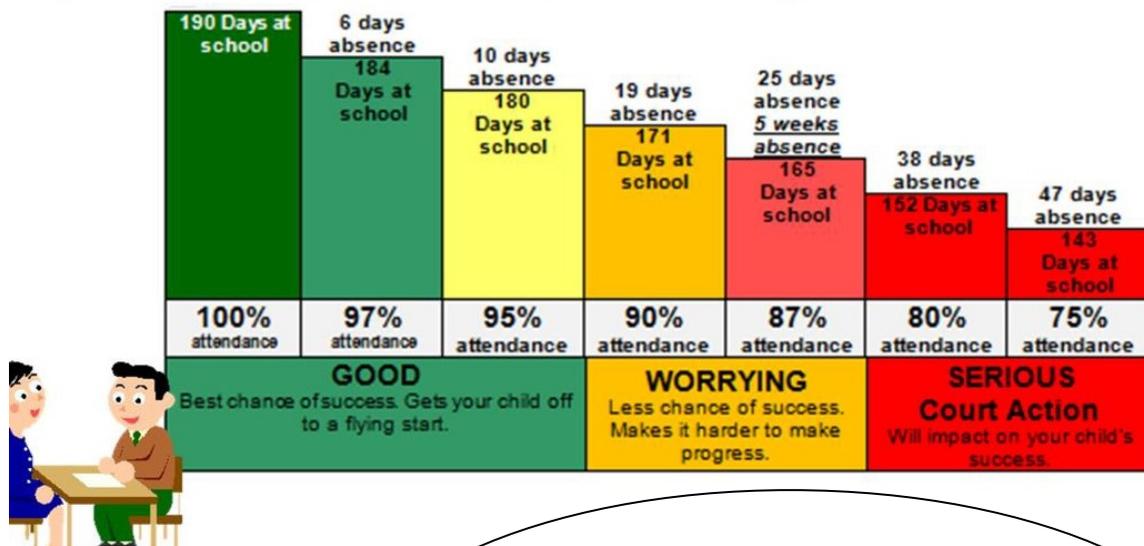
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This week's HERO (Here Every day Ready On time) Attendance Bear is awarded to:  
**Hungry Caterpillar Class**



# 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	100%	97.4%
Rainbow Fish	87.5%	94.3%
Elmer	93.7%	94.8%
Funnybones	96.5%	95.7%
Gruffalo	98.0%	97.3%
Dahl	93.2%	96.6%
Walliams	98.0%	95.9%
Horowitz	95.6%	95.4%
Morpurgo	99.6%	95.3%

WELL DONE TO.....Hungry Caterpillar Class, for perfect attendance this week, followed very closely by Morpurgo Class.





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	Place value using greater than and less than signs. Problem solving and reasoning.	Using question marks and story writing based on a book of the week. Recognising and spelling high frequency words. <a href="http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/resources/sound-pronunciation-guide/">http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/resources/sound-pronunciation-guide/</a>
Gruffalo	Understand fractions of shapes and quantities.	To use varied punctuation correctly in sentences.
Dahl	Measurement including Perimeter.	Adjectives for describing characters .
Walliams	Fractions and equivalent fractions.	Using adverbial phrases and inverted commas.
Horowitz	Multiplying fractions and fractions of amounts.	Using the semi colon to separate independent clauses.
Morpurgo	Measurement, area, perimeter and volume.	Using apostrophes and conjunctions.

**Useful websites:**

[www.topmarks.co.uk](http://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/>

