



# The Craylands School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to term 5 and welcome back the sunshine! It is very important in hot weather that the children have lots of water, so please ensure that they bring in a named water bottle into school. It is also a good idea to apply plenty of sun cream to your child's skin at the beginning of the day so that they can play out in the sun. However, please do not place sun cream into your child's bag to apply themselves. Thank you.

As we approach the summer, many of you may be considering your holidays. Already this week, I have had numerous requests for holidays during term time. I can not express how detrimental it is to take your child out of school during term time; by missing lessons, they will ultimately not achieve their full potential making less progress and not attaining as well. Any requests for holidays during term time may result in a penalty notice being requested from the local authority meaning a possible fine of £120 per parent per child.

As we see more sun, we do notice that some children seem to be absent on a Monday and/or Friday; we will monitor this and may not authorise absences if we believe that your child is not genuinely ill.

We have our new 'blue' kitchen block finally completed. We hope to be using the kitchen as of Monday; it is much bigger than the current kitchen and will be ample enough for our growing school. The blue colour may not exactly be in keeping with the school blue, however it is growing on me so hopefully will do the same for those of you who have mentioned it to me. Work on the big building continues.

This term, Years 2 and 6 have their end of key stage SATS. It is imperative that children in both of these classes are in school during the following days:

Year 6—week commencing 14th May

Year 2—week commencing 8th May, 18th—23rd May

It is also very important for children in these year groups to attend school every day from now until the SATs are over; they will be taking part in lots of revision and so if they miss a day of school, they may miss an area of learning that they need to re-cap which could result in them not doing as well in their SATs.

Y1 children need to be in school w/c 11 June, as they will be taking part in their phonics screening checks.

Yesterday, the Year 5/6 football team played against The Brent Primary School. It was very hot and the boys played well in the heat but unfortunately they lost 3-1. A good effort from the team however.

Some of you may remember that in October 2016, the school was used as a set for a movie starring 'Gemma Arteton' and some of you were there as extras. I have been fortunate enough to have been invited to attend a viewing of the film on Saturday morning in London; I shall let you know more next week.

Wishing you a sunny weekend—Mr Hiscock

## Upcoming Events

7th May	Bank Holiday Monday
May	KS1 will be taking their SATS throughout May.
14/5/18	Year 6 SATs week commences (ALL Y6 must be in school every day!)
25/5/18	INSET DAY—no children in school
28/5- 1/6/18	Half term break
4/6/18	Pupils return First day of Term 6
w/c 11/6/18	Year 1 phonics screening checks— year 1 children need to be in school all week
17-20/6	Year 4 residential Grosvenor Hall
25-29/6	Year 6 residential IOW

## Reminders!

- Isle of Wight payments are due today please.

- Please do not allow your child to use the trim trail at the end of the school day.

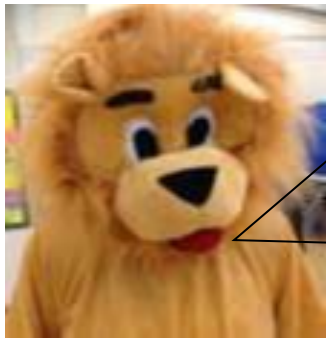
- Please ensure you use the full space in the drop off zone in the mornings to ensure that the road is not being blocked.

- Please do not get out to hug and kiss your children when using the drop off zone as this is causing congestion behind your car.

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!



Janae B-A (YRHC) Jimmy R (YRRF)  
Zaid T (Elmer Class)  
Thomas G (Funnybones Class)  
Rocco S (Gruffalo Class)  
Sonny D (Dahl Class)  
Christian H (Walliams Class)  
Archie L-P (Horowitz Class)  
Kit W (Morpurgo Class)

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

Reggie S (HC) Ema J (RF)  
Hope W (Elmer Class)  
Ella W (Funnybones Class)  
Isabelle H (Gruffalo Class)  
Freya S (Dahl Class)  
Ella K (Walliams Class)  
Sienna M (Horowitz Class)  
Divine O (Morpurgo Class)



### WOW Writers

Gabriel H (Y1E)  
Evie P (Y1FB)  
Sophia A (Y2G)  
Zehra + Jessica S (Y3D)  
Carys L (Y4W)  
George G (Y5H)  
Shaun A-A (Y6M)



SUMDOG Class winners were.....

1. Maximilien K (Y2G), 2. Frank M (Y2G), 3. Cara B (Y4W)

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**



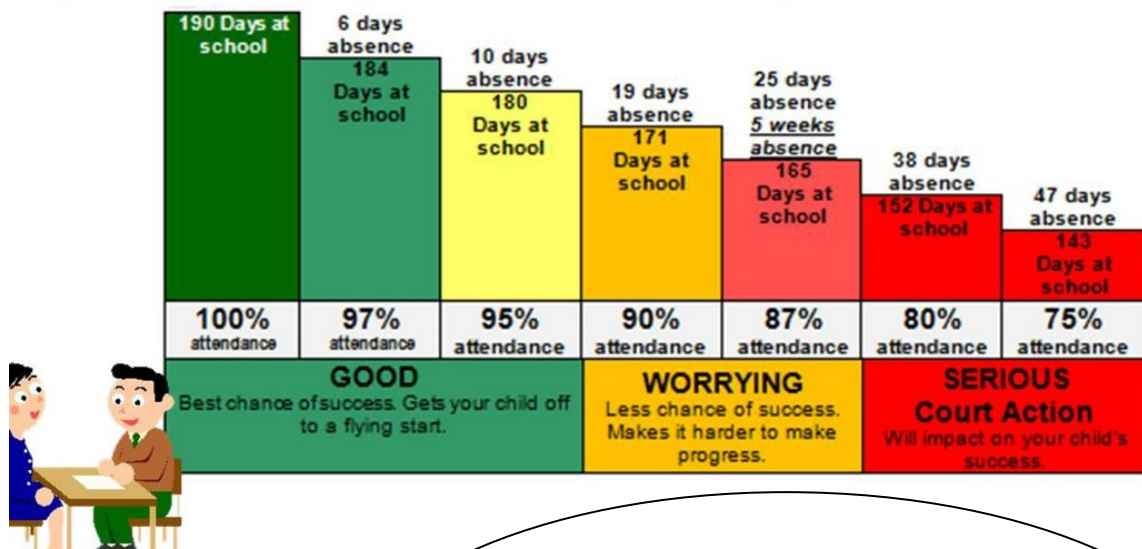
### **500 word competition**

Congratulations to the following winners of our 500 word competition:

Ella W (Y1FB), Ella C (Y2G), Isabel M (Y3D), David R (Y4W), May B (Y5H) and Alex C (Y6M)

Well done to all those who entered, your stories were great fun to read.

# 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	98.6%	94.5%
Elmer	88.6%	93.9%
Funnybones	99.3%	95.3%
Gruffalo	99.0%	97.3%
Dahl	97.0%	96.3%
Walliams	94.5%	95.7%
Horowitz	94.6%	95.2%
Morpurgo	91.2%	94.8%

WELL DONE TO.....Hungry Caterpillar Class with perfect 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	Multiplication and sharing.	Writing compound sentences. 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	Lengths and comparisons of lengths.	Common exception words and year 2 spellings.
Dahl	Finding fractions of an amount.	Using expanded noun phrases.
Walliams	Decimals.	Paragraphs and speaking in the first and third person.
Horowitz	Decimals.	Punctuating speech.
Morpurgo	Angles and missing angles.	Revision of all SPAG learnt so far.

**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/>

