



# The Craylands School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We've reached the end of another busy week, but where has the sunshine gone to—let's hope it returns soon!

This week, clubs began at school. I think that this term has seen our largest range of clubs on offer yet. Many of these clubs are run by the staff at the school. I am always very grateful for this, as they have to go straight from teaching to running a club with virtually no time to prepare. This term, we have Chess club, Spanish, Braille, Football, Cricket, Rounders, French skipping and Art club amongst others.

Our new kitchen was put into action this week and the children have coped very well with the changes that have been put into place. The midday meal supervisors have worked hard to consider different options to make lunch times run smoother and I thank them for their initiative in this.

Unfortunately, Miss Wise, who is one of our midday meal supervisors, injured herself at school this week. I'd like to take the opportunity to wish her a speedy recovery.

Yesterday, I sent out a letter regarding attendance and it's importance; I must say that I am quite flabbergasted that since then, I have had holiday requests. I'm not sure how I can convey the message any clearer that you should not be taking your children on holidays during term time—I can honestly say that it will impact on your child's attainment and progress; I have seen it first hand this year. Please do everything you can to ensure that you arrange your holidays during school holidays. Thank you.

Some of you, whose child has an attendance of less than 90%, will have had a separate letter sent by either myself or Mrs Cox. We have a duty to ensure that we are doing everything we can to convey the message of the importance of attending school every day. Do not take offence to the letter, but do recognise that we have concerns and we want to work with you to improve your child's attendance.

Miss Blamires has been checking on Year 1's understanding of phonics this week. Whilst many of them have improved, there are some who are struggling with blending sounds; this may result in them struggling in the phonics screening check in June. Could I ask that all Year 1 parents and carers support us in practising the different sounds and blending them to read both real and nonsense words. Please speak to Miss Blamires or the Year 1 staff if you would like further guidance in this.

Can I please remind parents not to use the car park at the end of the school day. It doesn't matter which member of Sodexo is on the gate at the end of the day, I am asking for this not to happen so please respect my request and refrain from doing so. Thank you.

There is just two weeks left until the KS2 SATs tests; please ensure Year 6 are in school every day so that they can take part in revision beforehand—Year 2 should also be in, as their SATs are throughout May.

Have a good 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
Half term	28/5—1/6
4/6/18	Pupils return
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!

- Please DO NOT park in the car park at the end of the school day.

- Please use the following emails when contacting the school:

- for general enquiries:  
admin@craylands.kent.sch.uk  
(Miss Cobby Tues-Thurs)

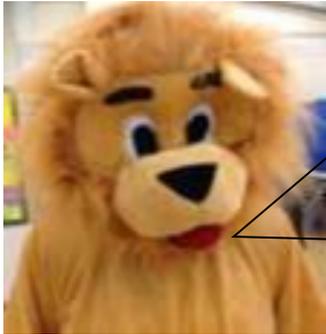
- for finance queries:  
finance@craylands.kent.sch.uk  
(Mrs Tremain Mon-Wed)

- for attendance and urgent issues:  
enquiries@craylands.kent.sch.uk  
(Mrs Mutch Mon-Fri)

- 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!



James S(YRHC) Euan H (YRRF)  
Joe F (Elmer Class)  
Elvie P (Funnybones Class)  
Daniel O (Gruffalo Class)  
Kazia A (Dahl Class)  
Olivia P (Walliams Class)  
Matthew M (Horowitz Class)  
Laurita D (Morpurgo Class)

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

Sophie R (HC) Frankie G (RF)  
Charlie R (Elmer Class)  
Melissa G (Funnybones Class)  
Matthew W (Gruffalo Class)  
Freya R (Dahl Class)  
Emily S (Walliams Class)  
Ruby S (Horowitz Class)  
Emily R (Morpurgo Class)



WOW Writers

Joe F (Y1E)  
Harry B (Y1FB)  
Abiola O (Y2G)  
Isabel M (Y3D)  
Annabelle S (Y4W)  
Archie-Lee P (Y5H)  
Finlay H (Y6M)



SUMDOG Class winners were.....

1st: Frank M, 2nd: Kazia A-A, 3rd: Dan L

This week's winning team is...

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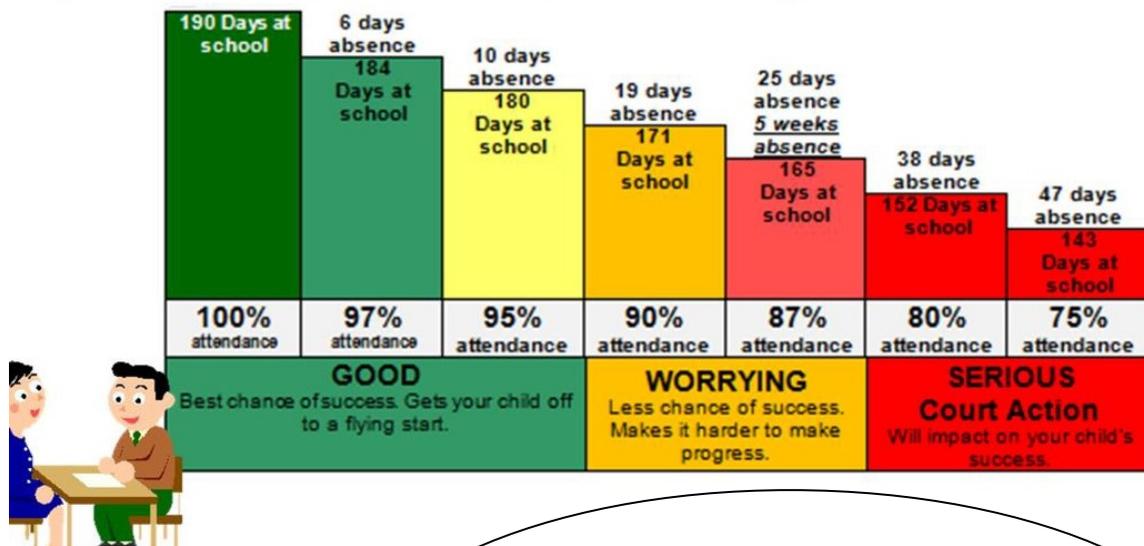


This week's HERO (Here Every day Ready On time) Attendance Bear is awarded to

**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	98.9%	97.4%
Rainbow Fish	97.9%	94.6%
Elmer	90.6%	93.8%
Funnybones	94.8%	95.3%
Gruffalo	97.6%	97.3%
Dahl	97.3%	96.3%
Walliams	96.7%	95.7%
Horowitz	91.0%	95.1%
Morpurgo	95.8%	94.9%

WELL DONE TO.....Hungry Caterpillar Class 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	Multiplication and division. Doubling numbers.	Writing descriptive sentences. Recognising and spelling high frequency words. Ordering in alphabetical order. <a href="http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/resources/sound-pronunciation-guide/">http://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/resources/sound-pronunciation-guide/</a>
Gruffalo	Mass and weight and revision of money.	Revising adverbs and using comparative adjectives. Learning the er and est suffixes.
Dahl	Finding fractions of amounts. Problem solving with equivalent fractions.	Learning noun phrases and proof reading and editing work.
Walliams	Ordering and decimals. Comparing decimals.	Sentence openers and using the past tense. Learning the 'sion' suffix.
Horowitz	Ordering and comparing decimals.	Using brackets to show parenthesis.
Morpurgo	Time, algebra and fractions.	Revision and determiners.



**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/>