



# The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 7

Friday 16th October

Dear Parents/Carers,

I can not believe we are at the penultimate week of this term....so much has happened and it has flown by!

### Dressing up day

As the end of October is known as a time where the children have the opportunity to dress up, with some taking part in 'trick or treating' and the fact that Covid may mean that this will not happen as normal this year, we would like to offer the children the opportunity to come into school dressed up in fancy dress on Friday 23rd October. When considering costumes, please consider that the children need to be warm enough and that they do not scare or offend anybody. No masks, make-up or face paints.

Your child does not have to come in a costume and we certainly do not want any of you to go out and buy something; they can come in non-uniform on this day if they wish. This is purely a fun opportunity for the children to end what has been a challenging first term for all.

### School photos

These took place on Monday and due to the hard work and organisation of Mrs Williams and Mrs Johnson, sibling photos were taken as well. The children looked very smart too!

### Change of bubbles consultation

As we approach the end of the first term, I will be reviewing the current COVID risk assessment and I would like to consult with you over the possibility of changing from class bubbles to year group bubbles. I shall outline the pros and cons of this below:

Pros

- Many of the children miss their friends at playtimes and by mixing will allow them to play with them again, helping with well being
- It would allow us to consider grouping across year groups supporting children further academically.
- It would support with staffing at times as workload and duties can be shared more easily.

Cons

- It's not as safe in terms of social distancing as the current bubble system
- A change of routine will upset and dysregulate many of our pupils
- If someone in a year group bubble tests positive, it would be likely that the whole year group self-isolates (that's 60 children compared with 30).

In order to make a decision, I would like to consult with you and would ask that as many of you as possible complete the 2 question survey monkey using the following link: <https://surveymonkey.com/r/RBFL3WK>

Many thanks in anticipation.

### Kent tests

A big well done to those year 6 children who took part in the Kent tests this week; you approached them with maturity and a positive attitude and should be proud of yourselves whatever the outcome.

### Drop off

A polite request to ask parents not to congregate by the gates or the end of the footpath in the morning's please as this does not help with social distancing when children are trying to get past you. Many thanks.

### Important dates

19-21/10	Zoom meetings for prospective EYFS parents
23/10	Fancy dress day
23/10	End of term 1
2/11	Start of term 2

**IF YOUR CHILD HAS SYMPTOMS, DON'T WAIT TO GET A TEST, BOOK ONE.**

**YOU HAVE 5 DAYS AFTER SYMPTOMS SHOW TO GET TESTED OTHERWISE YOUR CHILD HAS TO BE OFF FOR 10 DAYS AND YOU HAVE TO ISOLATE FOR 14 DAYS. IT IS TAKING LONGER TO GET TESTS SO IT IS IMPORTANT TO BOOK IT SOONER.**

### No Nuts

Due to severe allergies amongst some of our pupils at Craylands, we would like to strive to minimise the risk of reactions by please asking that parents/carers do not send their children in with nuts or peanuts as part of their packed lunch.

The catering team do not use nuts in any of their ingredients. Many thanks.

**A polite request:** please can parent/carers speak slowly and clearly when leaving going home messages on the answerphone. Please state your child's full name and class and who is collecting. We're struggling to hear some of them! Thank you

Have a great weekend—Mr Hiscock

# Collection reminders

I have become concerned this week that things have become quite complacent at the end of the day. We **MUST** ensure we are socially distancing at all times.

I would kindly ask you to take note of these reminders.....

- Please try to arrive to collect your child at the latest collection point if there are siblings; no-one should be waiting around on site unless you are a child minder—we will keep hold of younger siblings in school.
- Please try to queue along the fence rather than huddle together in groups, especially KS2 parents/carers.
- Once you have collected your child, please leave the premises—you should not stay on site having a conversation and allowing your children to play.
- Please **DO NOT** allow your children to run around the site at the end of the day; we have bubbles in school and whilst on site, they should remain in their bubbles as much as possible and not mix with children from other bubbles please.
- Please only come on site when it is your classes turn; a staff member will either inform you of this or if no one is there please wait along the public footpath until the area is clear and then you can then enter.

Thank you for your support with this.

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# BULLYING?

When someone says or does something  
*unintentionally* hurtful  
and they do it once, that's

**RUDE.**

When someone says or does something  
*intentionally* hurtful  
and they do it once, that's

**MEAN.**

When someone says or does something  
*intentionally* hurtful and they *keep doing it*—  
even when you tell them to stop or show  
them that you're upset—that's

**BULLYING.**

# Times Tables Rockstars



It has been noted that some children's accounts are being used when they are in school and not using them.

I would kindly ask that only OUR children play on Times Tables Rockstars to ensure it is fair on all children. Playing in behalf of your child, may result in them coming first, but it is not their work and effort

<i>Last week's results....</i>	<i>This week's battles.....</i>
<p><i>Dahl vs Simon</i> 61,376      6902 DAHL WINS!</p> <p><i>Gruffalo vs Walliams</i> 20,174 vs 24,608 WALLIAMS WINS!</p> <p><i>Stickman vs Wilson</i> 5709 vs 6125 STICKMAN WINS!</p> <p><i>Morpurgo vs Horowitz</i> 9061 vs 8418 MORPURGO WINS!</p> <p><i>Elmer vs Funnybones</i> 2212 vs 3213 FUNNYBONES WINS!</p>	<p><i>Morpurgo vs Dahl</i></p> <p><i>Simon vs Horowitz</i></p> <p><i>Elmer vs Funnybones</i></p> <p><i>Gruffalo vs Wilson</i></p> <p><i>Stickman vs Walliams</i></p>

## TOP 3 PLAYERS IN EACH CLASS

<p><b><u>Elmer</u></b> Evie G Amelia-Rose Olivia C</p>	<p><b><u>Funnybones</u></b> Alexander Inika Chika</p>	<p><b><u>Stickman</u></b> Towobola Finley Oscar</p>	<p><b><u>Gruffalo</u></b> Alexander Will Callum</p>	<p><b><u>Dahl</u></b> Sami Taylor Harrison</p>
<p><b><u>Wilson</u></b> Grishiga Oliver Archie Mc</p>	<p><b><u>Walliams</u></b> Ben Izzie Farren</p>	<p><b><u>Simon</u></b> Tristan Jack Selina</p>	<p><b><u>Horowitz</u></b> Ethan Harry Max FK</p>	<p><b><u>Morpurgo</u></b> Nathan Freya Ben</p>

# Lenny's letter

Each week, this newsletter will celebrate all those at The Craylands School who received a Craylearner certificate, R.O.A.R. certificate, HERO bear and the winning team.

Our pupils really are champions at Craylands!



Hungry C [redacted] Dahl *Poppy*  
Rainbow Fish [redacted] Wilson *Thomas*  
Elmer *Niamh* Walliams *Demi-Leigh*  
Funnybones *Annalise* Simon *Adil*  
Gruffalo *Maisy* Horowitz *Rocco*  
Stickman *Zofia* Morpurgo *Nathan*

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

Hungry C [redacted] Dahl *Isla*  
Rainbow Fish [redacted] Wilson *Frankie*  
Elmer *Evie G* Walliams *Jade S*  
Funnybones *Jude* Simon *Ella*  
Gruffalo *Will* Horowitz *Amie*  
Stickman *Ewen* Morpurgo *Daisy*



## This week's winning team is...

Leeds

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

Y1 Elmer Class



## Achievements outside of school...

Congratulations to Thomas and Luke G (Year 4) who both completed their stage 3 swimming. Well done.