



# The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 3 Week 1

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year to you all.....thank you for all of those who have said this to me in person. Welcome back to a new term!

## Craylearning value

This term, our Craylearning value is 'Asking questions'. We will be focusing on how important it is to ask questions, as they can help us to find out more information and learn more. We will look at open and closed questions and how we can use these in our learning. It is so important for children to be inquisitive in their learning. At the end of the term, up to 5 children in each class in years 1-6 will be invited to a special assembly if they have shown that they can use this Craylearning skill.

## STAR topics

The children will be learning about the following in their STAR units of work over the Spring Term:

Year 1- What is it like where we live in the past?

Year 2- How did the Victorians change nursing?

Year 3 -What was life like in the Stone Age?

Year 4—Why did the Romans invade Britain?

Year 5—What is happening to the coasts of the UK?

Year 6- During which Queen's reign was the most progress made - Elizabeth 1 or Victoria?

We hope that the children enjoy these units of learning and complete some home learning based on them.

## Learning guides

This week, you should have received guides on what your child will be taught in literacy and numeracy over the course of the year. We hope that you will find this information useful when thinking about supporting your child with their learning at home and understanding what your child is able to do in line with age related expectations.

You can find these guides and information related to what your child will be learning in all national curriculum subjects on the following website page:

<https://www.craylands.kent.sch.uk/national-curriculum-subjects/>

## PE timetable for term 3

Monday : Simon / Fine / Stickman / Dahl

Tuesday : Elmer / Rauf

Wednesday : Gruffalo / Funnybones / Wilson

Thursday : Horowitz / Morpurgo

Friday : Walliams / Horowitz

## Workshops

We look forward to welcoming parents/carers to reading and maths workshops next week.

## Important dates

8/1	Clubs start this week
9/1	2p.m. KS1 parents/carers reading workshop
10/1	9 a.m. KS1 parents/carers reading workshop
11/1	Extra Y1 reading morning
12/1	9 a.m. Y2-6 parents/carers Maths workshop
30/1	Year 1 and 3 reading morning
31/1	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
1/2	Year 6 and 2 reading morning
9/2	End of term 3
19/2	Term 4 starts
27/2	Extra Year 1 reading morning
12/3	Year 1 and 3 reading morning
13/3	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
14/3	Year 2 and 6 reading morning
28/3	Parents/Carers evening
29/3	Easter Holidays begin
15/4	Term 5 starts
28/4 - 1/5	Year 4 residential
7/5	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
8/5	Year 3 and 6 reading morning
9/5	Year 1 and 2 reading morning

## After School Clubs

If your child would like to attend an after school club please rank your child's preference by Sunday 7th Jan at:

<https://craylands.parentsevengingsystem.co.uk/>

Wishing you an enjoyable first weekend of 2024!

# Dates for your diary

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
9/1/24	2 p.m. KS1 reading workshop
10/1/24	9 a.m. KS1 reading workshop
11/1/24	Extra Year 1 reading morning
12/1/24	9 a.m. Y2-6 Maths multiplication workshop
30/1/24	Year 1 and 3 reading morning
31/1/24	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
1/2/24	Year 6 and 2 reading morning
27/2/24	Extra Year 1 reading morning
12/3/24	Year 1 and 3 reading morning
13/3/24	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
14/3/24	Year 2 and 6 reading morning
28/3/24	Parents/Carers evening
25/4/24	Extra year 1 reading morning
28/4 – 1/5	Year 4 residential
7/5/24	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
8/5/24	Year 3 and 6 reading morning
9/5/24	Year 1 and 2 reading morning
13/5 – 16/5	Year 6 SATS week
11/6/24	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
12/6/24	Year 3 and 6 reading morning
13/6/24	Year 1 and 2 reading morning
26/6/24	1.45 p.m. Year 6 production
27/6/24	6.30 p.m. Year 6 production
w/c 1/7	Multicultural week
5/7/24	Sports day
8/7/24 – 12/7/24	Year 6 residential
12/7/24	End of year reports sent out
15/7/24	Jump up afternoon
16/7/24	Jump up afternoon
17/7/24	Reserve sports day
19/7/24	Last day Year 6 leavers assembly 1.45p.m.

# EYFS NEWS



Our theme this term through which we enhance the children's learning is called 'Once Upon A Time'. We will be reading, retelling, acting and writing traditional stories and much more. This week we started with The Three Billy Goats Gruff; the children especially loved being the character of the Troll.

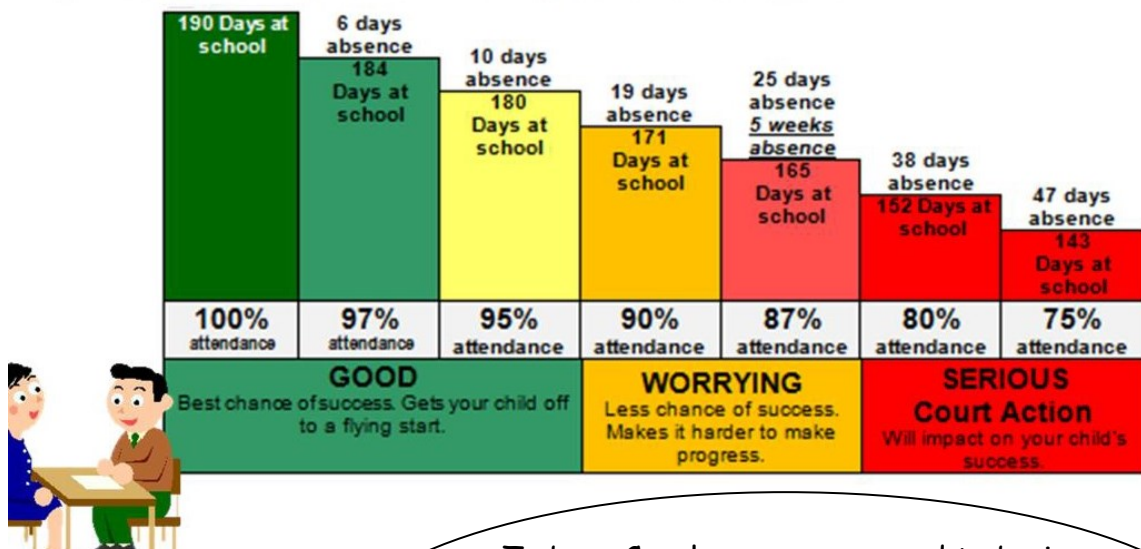
We are now teaching Phase 3 sounds; we have sent home the guide for these along with new reading books and home learning.

Alive in 5 is the title of the Maths unit we are on, exploring the concept of zero and securing quick recall of number bonds within 5.



## **Achievements outside of school...**

# 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

Class	Attendance this week	No of children off this week
Elmer	93.1%	4
Funnybones	95.8%	2
Gruffalo	96.2%	5
Stickman	90.0%	6
Dahl	95.0%	6
Wilson	91.6%	3
Simon	95.1%	5
Walliams	74.1%	5
Fine	95.8%	4
Horowitz	89.5%	7
Morpurgo	96.6%	6
Rauf	95.8%	6

WELL DONE TO..... **Morpurgo Class** for having the highest attendance this week

# Times Tables Rockstars

<i>Last weeks results...</i>	<i>This week's battles.....</i>
	<p><i>Stickman vs Gruffalo</i></p> <p><i>Dahl vs Wilson</i></p> <p><i>Walliams vs Simon</i></p> <p><i>Horowitz vs Fine</i></p> <p><i>Rauf vs Morpurgo</i></p>

## TOP 3 PLAYERS IN EACH YEAR

<b>Hungry Caterpillars</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played	<b>Rainbow Fish</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played	<b>Funnybones</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played	<b>Elmer</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played	<b>Stickman</b>	<b>Gruffalo</b>	<b>Dahl</b>
Wilson	Walliams	Simon	Fine	Horowitz	Morpurgo	Rauf



What have the Craylearners been learning about this week?

Ask your child to show you their learning from this week at home.  
Click on the links for extra home learning.

Year group	Maths	Spag
Elmer / Funnybones		Practise phonics <a href="http://phonicsplay.co.uk">Buried Treasure (phonicsplay.co.uk)</a>
Gruffalo/ Stickman	Properties of 3d shapes <a href="#">Y2 Autumn Block 3 TS9 Count edges on 3D shapes on Vimeo</a>	Practise phonics <a href="http://phonicsplay.co.uk">Buried Treasure (phonicsplay.co.uk)</a>
Dahl/Wilson	Multiplying and dividing by 4 <a href="#">Y3 Autumn Block 3 TS9 Multiply by 4 on Vimeo</a> <a href="#">Y3 Autumn Block 3 TS10 Divide by 4 on Vimeo</a>	Main clause <a href="#">Simple, compound and complex sentences - BBC Bitesize</a>
Walliams/Simon	Factors <a href="#">Y4 Spring Block 1 TS1 Factor pairs on Vimeo</a>	Subject verb agreement <a href="#">Giraffe Karts - Subject Verb Agreement - Word Game Time</a>
Horowitz/Fine	Compare and order fractions <a href="#">Y5 Autumn Block 4 TS8 Compare and order fractions greater than 1 on Vimeo</a>	Expanded noun phrases <a href="#">What is an expanded noun phrase? - BBC Bitesize</a>
Morpurgo/Rauf	Ratio <a href="#">Year 6 Spring Block 1 TS3 Introduction to the ratio symbol on Vimeo</a>	Prepositions <a href="#">What is a preposition? - BBC Bitesize</a>



What is your child learning about in STAR this term?

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# 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	Daniel	Wilson	Leia
Rainbow Fish	Logan	Walliams	Joshua
Elmer	Malakai	Simon	Lauren
Funnybones	Jessica	Horowitz	Adam Barker
Gruffalo	Zaynab	Fine	Callum
Stickman	Violet	Morpurgo	Jess
Dahl	Elianna	Rauf	Roman

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

Hungry C	George	Wilson	Maisie
Rainbow Fish	Avery-Lee	Walliams	Harry P
Elmer	Sofia	Simon	Niamh
Funnybones	Conor	Fine	Oliver
Gruffalo	Jelena	Horowitz	Adam Barker
Stickman	George	Morpurgo	Alannah
Dahl	Peggie	Rauf	Endri



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



**Morpurgo Class**