



# The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 3 Week 4

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We seem to be moving through term 3 very quickly with only two weeks left....still plenty of time for lots of learning from the children.

## Forest School

Each term, a different year group has the opportunity to visit the school meadow and take part in forest school with our forest school lead Mrs Strudwick. They take part in a number of activities, working together and exploring this environment. A big thank you to Mrs Strudwick for running this in all weathers—especially of late as it has been cold, rainy and windy. Your child may come home a little muddy sometimes, but I can assure you that they thoroughly enjoy their time at forest school.

## Online Safety

In this week's assembly, we focussed on online safety and in particular discussing what cyberbullying is. We discussed how it can make people feel and discussed some different examples. We also looked at what children can do if they encounter cyberbullying including:

**Report:** report via the online site that you experience it on, then tell a trusted adult about it and ask for help.

**Save:** Keep evidence; take screenshots

**Block:** Block the person or group of people responsible

We will continue to discuss online safety in next week's assembly and we are planning on a workshop for parents/carers in term 4—further details will be sent out about this.

Meanwhile, if you want to find out more about online safety or continue the discussion at home, the following links may be of use:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/online-safety/z8w8bqt>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/jessie-and-friends-videos/>

## Reading mornings

Next week, we invite you in to attend reading mornings with your child. Reading with your child is such an important activity as it supports them but also makes it an enjoyable experience. We know many of you may not be able to attend these sessions so please do ensure that you find some time to read with your child at home and enjoy a book together.

## School website

We have begun the task of updating our school website. There have been some comments that it is looking a bit out of date in comparison with other school websites so we will be giving it a makeover. Part of this has been a photographer coming into school this week to take some professional photos for it— 500 photos were taken and we can only choose 20 for it. We can't wait to see the finished product.

## Important dates

30/1	Y1+Y3 reading morning
31/1	Y4+Y5 reading morning
1/2	Y6+Y2 reading morning
2/2	Chinese New Year lunch forms due back
9/2	End of term 3
19/2	Term 4 starts + Chinese lunch
27/2	Extra Year 1 reading morning
12/3	Y1+Y3 reading morning
13/3	Y4+Y5 reading morning
14/3	Year 2 and 6 reading morning
28/3	Parents/Carers even- ing
29/3	Easter Holidays begin
15/4	Term 5 starts
28/4 - 1/5	Year 4 residential
7/5/2 4	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
8/5/2 4	Year 3 and 6 reading morning
9/5/2 4	Year 1 and 2 reading morning
w/c 13/5	Y6 SATS—ALL Y6 MUST BE IN SCHOOL
24/5	Term 5 ends
3/6	Term 6 starts
22/7	INSET DAY
23/7	INSET DAY

As today's letter stated, we will not tolerate abusive language or behaviour towards our staff including shouting and/or swearing.

Wishing you an enjoyable weekend—Mr Hiscock

# Dates for your diary

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
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
2/2/24	Forms due back for Chinese New Year lunch
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
19/2/24	Chinese New Year lunch
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.
22/7	INSET DAY
23/7	INSET DAY

# EYFS NEWS



We hope that the children's gingerbread people did not run away and that they enjoyed eating them at home.

Again, the story led to some excellent shared thinking about how to get the Gingerbread man over the water and more importantly a discussion about not talking to strangers.

Number focus has moved on to Spring term block 3 exploring numbers 6, 7 and 8

<https://whiteroseeducation.com/parent-pupil-resources/maths/home-learning>

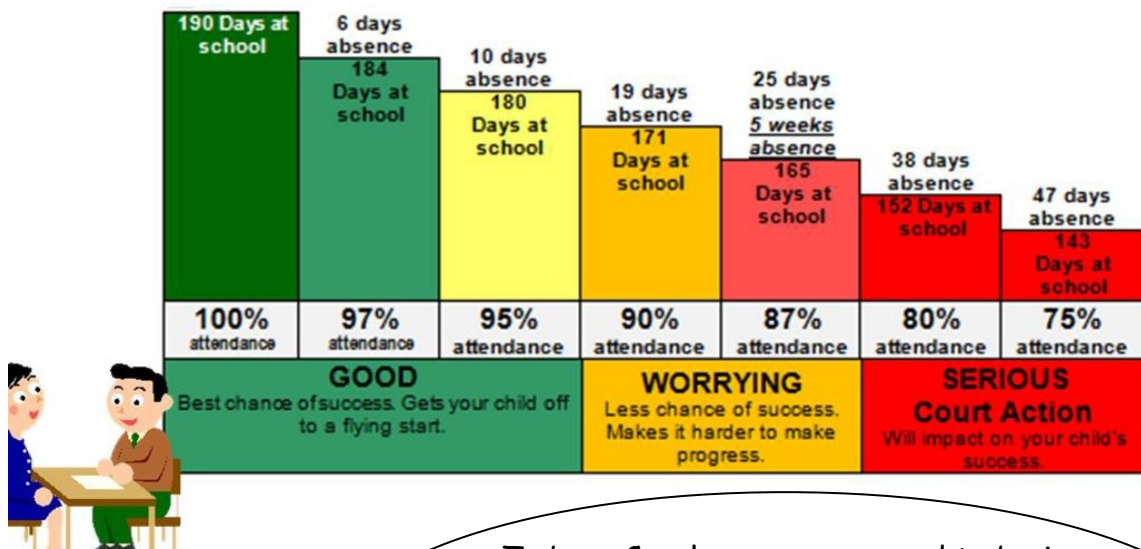
Thank you for sending in junk modelling bits.

Have a lovely weekend.



## **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	96.0%	5
Funnybones	96.6%	3
Gruffalo	94.0%	6
Stickman	96.0%	3
Dahl	97.3%	3
Wilson	91.3%	8
Simon	97.4%	4
Walliams	98.6%	3
Fine	99.3%	1
Horowitz	97.4%	3
Morpurgo	96.6%	3
Rauf	92.6%	4

WELL DONE TO.....

**Fine Class** for having the highest attendance this week

# Times Tables Rockstars

<i>Last weeks results...</i>	<i>This week's battles.....</i>
<p><i>Walliams boys win!</i></p> <p><i>Rauf girls win!</i></p> <p><i>Simon girls win!</i></p> <p><i>Wilson boys win!</i></p> <p><i>Morpurgo girls win!</i></p> <p><i>Dahl boys win!</i></p> <p><i>Horowitz girls win!</i></p> <p><i>Stickman boys win!</i></p> <p><i>Fine boys win!</i></p> <p><i>Gruffalo boys win!</i></p>	<p><i>Boys vs Girls in the whole school</i></p>

## TOP 3 PLAYERS IN EACH YEAR

<p><b>Hungry Caterpillars</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played Lewis Frankie Elizabeth</p>	<p><b>Rainbow Fish</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played Unity Rico Dave</p>	<p><b>Funnybones</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played Nahil Sebastian Annabelle</p>	<p><b>Elmer</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played George Madison Mia</p>	<p><b>Stickman</b> Teddy P Bentley Jai Aniya Sofia Violet</p>	<p><b>Gruffalo</b> Dylan Riaan Khalid Casey Sienna Jessica</p>	<p><b>Dahl</b> Ethan A Arlind Charles Tiwa Mia Rose Eva</p>
<p>Wilson Bertie Adrian Louis Elizabeth T Emily</p>	<p>Walliams Alexander Alfie Harry P Evie G Olivia Lola</p>	<p>Simon Inika Angela Evie G Jovel Danny Alfie C</p>	<p>Fine Jude Joseph Harry Saule Harmony Helena</p>	<p>Horowitz Eva Safia Monaco Alexander Freddy Adam</p>	<p>Morpurgo Eva P Ditvi Amelie Naitik Hayden George</p>	<p>Rauf Sophie Grishiga Heritage Amber Endri Thomas M Reggie</p>



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	Recognising equal groups <a href="#">Y2 Spring Block 2 TS1 Recognise equal groups on Vimeo</a>	Practise phonics <a href="http://phonicsplay.co.uk">Buried Treasure (phonicsplay.co.uk)</a>
Dahl/Wilson	Dividing 2 digit by 1 digit <a href="#">Y3 Spring Block 1 TS7 Divide a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number - no exchange on Vimeo</a>	Punctuating sentences <a href="#">Punctuation - KS2 English - BBC Bitesize</a>
Walliams/Simon	Multiply by 3 digits by 1 digit <a href="#">Y4 Spring Block 1 TS10 Multiply a 3digit number by a 1digit number on Vimeo</a>	Verb tenses <a href="#">Verbs and the different tenses - BBC Bitesize</a>
Horowitz/Fine	Subtracting fractions <a href="#">Y5 Autumn Block 4 TS14 Subtract fractions on Vimeo</a>	
Morpurgo/Rauf	Algebra <a href="#">Year 6 Spring Block 2 TS9 Find pairs of values on Vimeo</a>	Tenses <a href="#">Verbs and the different tenses - BBC Bitesize</a>



What is your child learning about in STAR this 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 I or Victoria?

# 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    Louie    Wilson    Aaditri  
Rainbow Fish    Ayaan    Walliams    Tulisa  
Elmer    Mia    Simon    Mia Rose  
Funnybones    Benjamin Z    Horowitz    Towobola  
Gruffalo    Obie    Fine    Maisy  
Stickman    Sofia I    Morpurgo    Macen  
Dahl    Hayden    Rauf    Archie E

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

Hungry C	Busi	Wilson	Elsie
Rainbow Fish	Muawwiz	Walliams	Sebastian
Elmer	Poppy	Simon	Isabella
Funnybones	Hoorain	Fine	Elodie
Gruffalo	Olivia	Horowitz	Alex
Stickman	Jaxon	Morpurgo	Hudson
Dahl	Peggie	Rauf	Archie S



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



**Y5 Fine Class**