



The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 3 Week 6

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have reached the end of the third term of the school year; the children have worked hard throughout the term, demonstrating lots of knowledge and understanding of the topics taught.

Children's Mental Health Week

This week, the school recognized children's mental health week. It started with an assembly led by Mrs Cox based on the Place 2 Be theme of 'This is My Place', with the discussion being around the systems around children and young people to help them feel they belong. This leads on nicely from the work with have done in assemblies this term around protected characteristics and anti-bullying and how we can be upstanders and not bystanders.

It is so important at The Craylands School that no one is treated differently due to any differences that there are between us whether that be gender, ethnicity or disability—we want all the children to feel happy and safe together at our school.

To continue the week, lots from the school got together on Wednesday for a dance in the playground to Mr Hiscock's favourites of 'Cha cha slide', 'Macarena' and 'Superman'. This was a great way to shake off the mid-week cobwebs and wake ourselves up.

Later on Wednesday, the children had an extra wellbeing Wednesday session this term, allowing them the opportunity to come off the curriculum and enjoy some time with their teacher and their peers.

On Friday afternoon, our emotional and wellbeing leads led a workshop for parents/carers about children's mental health.

You can find out more about the theme of this years children's mental health week by using the link below

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

If your child has problems with anxiety and you would like further support as a parent, you can make a referral to the emotional and wellbeing team through the following link:

<https://apps.nelft.nhs.uk/osi/OSILandingPage>

Online Safety Workshops

Thank you to those parents/carers who found the time to attend the online safety workshops this week. I hope that the information shared gave you some things to think about and that the time you had to discuss scenarios with your child have given you the opportunity to begin discussions around online safety.

The school website has lots of guidance and links to resources that can be used at home.

<https://www.craylands.kent.sch.uk/information/online-safety/>

World Book Day

Children can dress up for World Book Day which is next term on Thursday 5th March.

Important dates

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| 23/2 | First day of term 4 |
| 4/3 | Wellbeing afternoon in school |
| 5/3 | World Book Day (non uniform day) |
| 16/3 | Elmer reading morning 830-855 |
| 17/3 | St Patrick's Day—children can wear club uniform |
| 17/3 | Funnybones reading morning 830-855 |
| 18/3 | Gruffalo reading morning 830-855 |
| 19/3 | Stickman reading morning 830-855 |
| 20/3 | Dahl reading morning 830-855 |
| 26/3 | Parents/carers evening |
| 2/4 | INSET day |

Attendance

Term 3 attendance winners are:

KS1: *Stickman Class*

KS2: *Simon Class*

These classes have had the most number of weeks with the highest attendance this term and had the choice of a number of rewards which they have now chosen.

Happy Chinese New Year to anyone celebrating next week.



Have a lovely half term everyone—Mr Hiscock

Dates for your diary

| | <u>TERM 4 DATES</u> |
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| 23/2 | START OF TERM |
| 4/3 | WELL BEING SESSION during the school day 2.15–3.15pm |
| 5/3 | World Book Day (children can dress up as a book character) |
| 16/3 | Elmer reading morning 830 -855- Mobile 1 |
| 17/3 | St Patricks Day—children can wear club uniforms |
| 17/3 | Funnybones reading morning 830—855—mobile 1 |
| 18/3 | Gruffalo reading morning 830—855—mobile 1 |
| 19/3 | Stickman reading morning 830—855—mobile 1 |
| 20/3 | Dahl reading morning 830—855—mobile 1 |
| 23/3 | Wilson reading morning 830—855—mobile 1 |
| 24/3 | Walliams reading morning 830—855—mobile 1 |
| 25/3 | Simon reading morning 830—855—mobile 1 |
| 26/3 | Horowitz /Morpurgo reading morning 830—855—mobile 1 |
| 26/3 | Parents/Carers evening |
| 27/3 | Fine / Rauf reading morning 830—855—mobile 1 |
| 1/4 | Last day for children |
| 2/4 | INSET DAY |

| | <u>TERM 5 DATES</u> |
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| 20/4 | START OF TERM |
| 23/4 | St George's day—children can wear club uniforms |
| 26/4 | Year 4 residential leaves |
| 29/4 | Year 4 residential returns |
| 6/5 | WELL BEING SESSION during the school day 2.15–3.15p.m. |
| 11/5–14/5 | KS2 SATS |
| 22/5 | End of term |

Craylands Car Parking newsletter

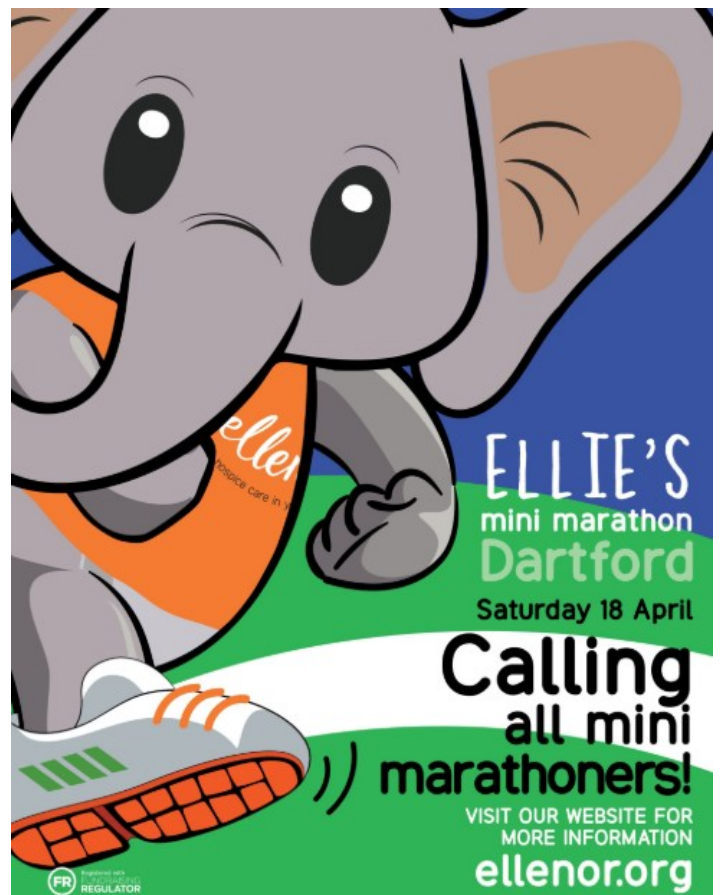


A message from a parent/carer...

This is what is happening now along the other side of Craylands Lane, with three in front of this vehicle.

It's ridiculous as you can see I have a pram and couldn't fit without hitting their door so I had to walk in the road which is dangerous in itself.

Local events



EYFS NEWS



The children have really enjoyed all of the learning activities around Chinese New Year including showing off their fantastic home learning. The animal masks are all unique and we will add them to our wall displays to celebrate super work.

As part of Mental Health Week, we have talked about our own special places and our feelings. Home, school, the park, holidays and playing for football teams have all been places and activities that the children identified as making them feel happy and safe.

Lastly, please find a note in school bags about PE kits for next term, half term news for home learning and an overview of phonics coming up in the first week back.

Wishing you all a restful half term.



Lenny's Den News



This term in Lenny's Den we have been exploring traditional fairy tales including *Goldilocks*, *Little Red Riding Hood*, *The Three Little Pigs*, *Jack and the Beanstalk* and *The Gingerbread Man*. The children have enjoyed retelling the stories, learning key story language and describing different characters.



We have also created some fantastic artwork inspired by the stories, using paint, collage and a range of materials.

We hope you all have a lovely half term break!

Times Tables Rockstars



| Last weeks results... | This week's battles..... |
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| <p>Year 4 85,865 YEAR 4 WINS!</p> <p>Year 6 33,771</p> <p>Year 3 8968</p> <p>Year 5 3538</p> | <p>No competition due top half term</p> |

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| <p>Hungry Caterpillars Top 3 players on Numbots Emily Emily Ava</p> | <p>Rainbow Fish Top 3 players on Numbots Dexter Josiah Freddie</p> | <p>Funnybones Top 3 players on Numbots Ollie Laila Layla</p> | <p>Elmer Top 3 players on Numbots Saida Maizie-Jane Felicity</p> | <p>Stickman Top 3 players on Numbots Franky Hiya David</p> | <p>Gruffalo Top 3 players on Numbots Elizabeth Sienna George</p> |
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| <u>Year 3</u> | <u>Year 4</u> | <u>Year 5</u> | <u>Year 6</u> |
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| Conor Ottillie Morire | Caleb Chloe Taylor | Hayden Joseph Renzo | Alexander Olivia Harry |

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 Paisley Wilson Harrison
Rainbow Fish Bonnie Walliams Love
Elmer Harry Simon Grace
Funnybones Grayson Horowitz Ethan A
Lenny's Den Jahmiel Fine Iyla L
Gruffalo Dylan Morpurgo Josh
Stickman Lewis Rauf Molly
Dahl Sienna

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

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| Hungry C | Emi | Wilson | Archie E |
| Rainbow Fish | Freddie M | Walliams | Chloe |
| Elmer | Rosie G | Simon | Freddie D |
| Funnybones | Freya | Fine | Joseph |
| Gruffalo | Austin | Horowitz | Demi |
| Stickman | James | Morpurgo | Aman |
| Dahl | Archie H | Rauf | Lily-Rose |



Achievements outside of school...

Beauden (FB) entered his very first London BMX Series race and proudly came away with a silver medal for second place, making his parents incredibly proud of his determination and sportsmanship - well done Beauden!