



The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 6 Week 5

Fri 9th July '21

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are approaching our penultimate week of this academic year and the children remain focussed and are working hard.

Next year

As I sent out yesterday, we will continue to follow the current Covid guidance until the end of this academic year. We will over the next couple of weeks, review the procedures we have in place now and those we had in place pre-Covid and provide you with information regarding how things such as collection and drop off will run from September onwards. Please do remember that we have grown as a school since we were running as 'normal' so there will need to be changes made.

New classes

Your child will have been given a letter today which informs you of the staffing structure for next year and what class they will be in and who their teaching and support staff will be. The information related to the class your child will be in is on the top of the back page.

We have some new staff joining us in September. Miss Cole will be joining us in Year 4 in the morning so we can split the year group 3 ways for literacy and numeracy. Miss King will be joining us as a new teacher in Year 2. Miss Livermore will be joining us to cover PPA and leadership time in Year 2 mainly. We will also be joined by Ms Stripe and Mrs Slater as new Midday Meal Supervisors. We look forward to welcoming them all to the team.

This year, we have mixed EYFS and Year 1 children. The decision to mix was not made lightly and we strongly believe it is in the children's best interests. Staff worked closely together to ensure that the classes were a fair mix. Please do respect the decisions that have been made; whilst it may be tempting to complain, I can assure you that lots of consideration has been taken and any movement away from any friendship groups may very well be to ensure that your child is able to focus fully in lessons, which is what we want. They will be able to play with their friends at playtimes and lunchtimes.

Your children will have the opportunity to meet their new teachers on Monday 12th July and Monday 19th July, between 1.30p.m. and 2.30p.m. We hope this supports the transition process ready for September. Sadly Miss Livermore can not make these.

Year 6 residential

I had the absolute pleasure of joining the Year 6 children on their residential this week. They were fantastically behaved and a real credit to the school. They had lots of fun and laughter; they used Craylearning skills throughout challenging themselves and being resilient. I hope they are able to take away the skills they have developed to support them with the transition to secondary school. Big thank you to Mrs Francis, Mrs Drake, Mrs Farrell and Mrs Wheeler for attending.

Important dates

9/7	New teacher information sent out
12/7	Meet the teacher session 1
12-15/7	Year 6 swimming sessions
16/7	Reports sent out
16/7	Year 6 sleepover
19/7	Meet the teacher session 2
20/7	Rainbow dress up day—see next page
21/7	End of term 6
21/7	Early finish times
21/7	Year 6 leavers assembly on field 2p.m.
1/9	INSET day
2/9	Children return

Last day of term timings

The end of day timings will be as follows on Wednesday 21st July:

EYFS—1.10 p.m.
Year 1—1.20p.m.
Year 2—1.30p.m.
Year 3—1.40 p.m.
Year 4—1.45 p.m.
Year 5—1.50 p.m.

Year 6 leavers event will then commence at 2pm on the field; more details to follow.

Have an enjoyable weekend—Mr Hiscock



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It was really lovely last week, to meet with all the school councillor representatives (from Year 1 – 6), socially distanced of course and see their enthusiasm and hear all their wonderful ideas.

Although we only have two weeks and three days left of this term, it would be amazing if some of the ideas that the school councillors came up with could be done.

Unfortunately due to current COVID restrictions two of their ideas will have to be put on hold for a later date. E.g. Toy 'Bring and Buy Sale' (where children bring in unwanted books and toys in good condition to sell) and a bake sale for each class (where the children bring in homemade or shop bought cakes to sell at the end of the day). The money raised from these would go to the new sensory garden that we are hoping to create in the grassed area by the KS2 playground.

I am writing to you today, to ensure that you all have plenty of notice for the activities suggested.

<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>What is needed from you</i>	<i>Reason</i>
<i>Week beginning 12.05.21</i>	<i>Meadow Nature Scavenger Hunt 14.07.21</i>	<i>Nothing</i>	<i>'Connect with Nature' Fun & Enjoyment</i>
<i>Tuesday 20.7.21</i>	<i>Dress up Day Each year group will come in a selected colour of the rainbow. (Either with black leggings, shorts, jeans or trousers. Or a complete outfit in their colour)</i>	<i>A coloured top or outfit (If the children already have one) Reception - multi-coloured Year 1 - Violet Year 2 - Blue Year 3 - Green Year 4 - Yellow Year 5 - Orange Year 6 - Red</i>	<i>To create a rainbow of colour in the school in way of celebration that we have made it through this very challenging time.</i>
<i>Monday 19.07.21 (Morning)</i>	<i>'Monday Fun Day' Children take part in a physical activity in their Year groups</i>	<i>Nothing Children to wear PE kits to school.</i>	<i>Connection Fun & Enjoyment</i>
<i>Tuesday 20.07.21</i>	<i>'Tuesday Art Day' Children spend the day doing arts and crafts activities</i>	<i>Nothing</i>	<i>Fun & Enjoyment</i>
<i>Wednesday 21.07.21</i>	<i>'Nature Scavenger Hunt' In the meadow</i>	<i>Nothing</i>	<i>'Connect with Nature' Fun & Enjoyment</i>

All of these activities were suggestions made by the school councillors, which as you can see are fantastic.

It would be a really lovely way to end such a difficult year for them all the children and for the school councillors to feel that they have achieved something in their roles before the end of the school year.

Kind Regards

Mrs Meggs (School Council, Well-being Ambassadors Lead and school 'Well-Being Lead')



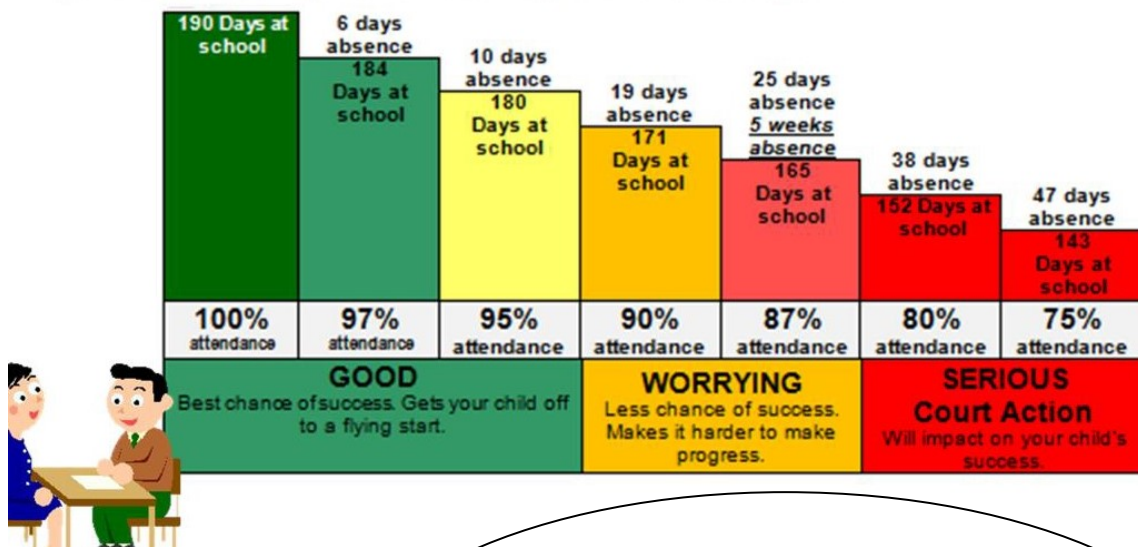
What have the Craylearners been learning about this week?

Ask your child to show you their learning from this week at home. Upload any work to dojo for points if you would like.

There are some links that may help to extend learning at home.

Year group	Maths	Spag
EYFS	1 less than	Writing letters/postcards
Elmer / Funnybones	Addition and subtraction equations Writing equations to show comparison (Part 1) (thenational.academy)	
Gruffalo/ Stickman	Grouping To share a total equally and find the number of groups (Part 1) (thenational.academy) To share a total equally and find the number of groups (Part 2) (thenational.academy)	Year 2 revision Grammar, punctuation and spelling - KS1 English - BBC Bitesize
Dahl/Wilson	Multiplication and division Understanding that multiplication and division are inverse operations (thenational.academy)	Plurals Spelling: Plurals - BBC Teach
Walliams/Simon	Multiplication and division Commutativity between multiplication and division (thenational.academy)	Conjunctions To explore simple and compound sentences (thenational.academy) To explore complex sentences (thenational.academy)
Horowitz	Dividing numbers Short division (Part 1) (thenational.academy) Short division (Part 2)	Year 5 revision To explore the four types of sentence - statement, command, exclamation and question. (thenational.academy)
Morpurgo	Residential	Residential

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	Number of children off this week
H Caterpillar	96.5%	2
Rainbow Fish	98.2%	2
Elmer	94.4%	6
Funnybones	89.6%	7
Gruffalo	97.3%	4
Stickman	98.0%	3
Dahl	98.0%	4
Wilson	92.0%	3
Simon	98.6%	2
Walliams	89.0%	3
Horowitz	95.3%	8
Morpurgo	80.3%	15

WELL DONE TO..... Simon Class for having the best attendance this week!

BATTLE OF THE BANDS

<u>Elmer</u> Evie G Olivia C Angela	<u>Funnybones</u> Chika Evelyn Freddy	<u>Stickman</u> Helena Ashley Oscar	<u>Gruffalo</u> Chidera Emily Aimee	<u>Dahl</u> Sami Amelie Matthew
<u>Wilson</u> Ayan Eva P Emilie	<u>Walliams</u> Thomas Ben Izzie	<u>Simon</u> Jack Selina Ella	<u>Horowitz</u> Ethan Camren Daniel	<u>Morpurgo</u> Gideon Isabel Sophie

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	<i>Hari, Arlind, Brody</i>	Dahl	<i>Harrison</i>
Rainbow Fish	<i>Viktorija, Teddy</i>	Wilson	<i>Oliver</i>
Elmer	<i>Bella</i>	Walliams	<i>Finley</i>
Funnybones	<i>Joshua & Lauren</i>	Simon	<i>Daisy</i>
Gruffalo	<i>Evie</i>	Horowitz	<i>Petal & Harry</i>
Stickman	<i>Oscar</i>	Morpurgo	<i>Everyone!</i>

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

Hungry C	<i>Aryan, Finley, James</i>	Dahl	<i>Amelie</i>
Rainbow Fish	<i>Theo, Peggie</i>	Wilson	<i>Toyosi</i>
Elmer	<i>Amelia-Rose</i>	Walliams	<i>Aaliyah</i>
Funnybones	<i>Jude</i>	Simon	<i>Albert</i>
Gruffalo	<i>Fawaz</i>	Horowitz	<i>Archie</i>
Stickman	<i>Alfie</i>	Morpurgo	<i>Everyone!</i>



This week's winning team is...

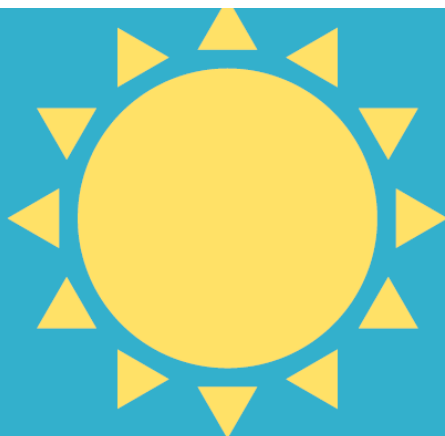
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This week's HERO (Here Every day Ready On time) Attendance Bear is awarded to ...

Y4 Simon Class



Achievements outside of school...



**Kent Open Access Children's Centre and Youth Hubs
invite you to:**

DARTFORD SUMMER FAMILY EVENT

The same FREE activities at each event for families with 0-11yr olds, running throughout the summer. Events include; Sports activities, Arts and crafts, Baby area, Advice, Information and Signposting and much more!

To register your interest please call Oakfield children's
centre on 03000 411049 for more information

No toilet facilities are available at these events.

Tuesday 20th July - Thursday 22nd July

Swanscombe Park, Park road, Swanscombe, DA10 0JU

Tuesday 27th July - Thursday 5th August - Tuesday 10th August

Places have to be booked for event days at Oakfield CC

Oakfield Children's Centre, Oakfield Lane, Dartford, DA1 2SW

Thursday 29th July - Tuesday 3rd August - Thursday 12th August

**Temple Hill Primary Academy, School Nursery Gate, Hilltop Gardens,
Dartford, DA1 5JE**



10AM - 12PM



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