

The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 4

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Dear Parents/Carers,

A busy week this week and a nice, sunny one too! It seems strange singing Autumn songs currently but I'm sure it will arrive.

Extra-curricular clubs

It's been lovely to see the many different after school clubs that started this week. We know that there are some year groups who perhaps have missed out on certain types of clubs but we will ensure that there are opportunities for these types of clubs for those year groups next time. I'd like to thank the staff for giving up their time to run these clubs as I know that in some schools, the only clubs offered are by external providers.

Secondary school open days

Can we please make you aware that Secondary schools have already begun their open events and there are many events at the beginning of October. Please check individual school websites for days and times - please be aware most schools need you to book places in advance and some events are already showing as full. We have already emailed out some flyers that we have received from schools and will continue to do so as we get them sent to us. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Drop off

As we have now opened the gates at 8.35 in the morning and the vast majority of children seem to be arriving by 8.50, we would like to change the time that the gate closes to 8.50a.m. This will benefit the children in that they will have time in the morning to complete any targets that have been set by their class teachers before their first lesson or their assembly. Please do make sure that you arrive in plenty of time before the gates close. The drop off zone will run between 8.40 and 8.50; if we see an increase in the number of cars using this as the weather turns, we may need to review the closing time again.

Royal Opera House

Year 5 are visiting the Royal Opera House today as part of our work on developing arts and culture within the school. They will be watching a performance of 'The Magic Flute'. Mr Dymott, who leads music at the school has arranged the trip which benefitted from reduced pricing for both the tickets and coach. We look forward to hearing their views on this experience.

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Year 6 will be singing at the O2 in January 2022, as part of the Young Voices choir. We moved it to Year 6 this year as they did not have the opportunity to go due to Covid. Please do ensure your requests for tickets and payment is made by Tuesday next week as according to an email received this week, tickets are selling out fast. We will be purchasing tickets by the end of next week hopefully.

Reading jungle

Your child should have come home with a book from the reading jungle. These are high quality texts that supplement the school reading scheme. Please do look after these books and return them when your child has finished reading them.

Important dates

21/10	Last day of term
22/10	INSET DAY
1/11	Start of term 2
3/12	INSET day
17/12	End of term 2

Macmillan coffee morning

Thank you so much to all those of you who attended the coffee morning, bought cakes and raffle tickets at some point this week.

This was the first real community event since things have started to get back to normal after Covid and it was great to see so many of you.

A HUGE thank you to the parent and pupil support team who arranged the event.

Overall, so far, we have raised over £700 for MacMillan Cancer Trust — an incredible amount.

We hope you enjoyed guessing the staff photos—some of you even guessed the Headteacher correctly!

Just a reminder that scooters and bikes are NOT to be ridden on school grounds please (including in the mornings) due to health and safety.

Thank you





Another stepWell done to the children on their first full week in school, all of the children know where they are going and are following routines well.

They have begun their phonics lessons this week and they have home learning to complete by next Wednesday.

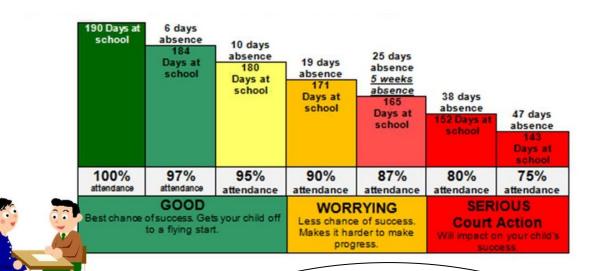
EYFS do not use Classdojo, instead we use an online journal called Tapestry. Emails have been sent out today for you to activate your own Tapestry accounts. If you have any queries around this please do not hesitate to ask for support.

Arts and cultural challenges



Date	Activity idea		
LAST WEEK'S ARTS CHALLENGE	Roald Dahl - dress up and take a picture of your- self as one of Roald Dahl's favourite characters OR draw a picture of one of Roald Dahl's characters.		
	Chester (FB) Matthew (Simon) Poppy (SM) Olivia C (Gruffalo) Archie M (Wal) Faith C (Gruffalo) Shazil (Fine) Michael C (Morpurgo) Aiza (Wilson) Harrison (Simon) Jess (Walliams)		
THIS WEEK'S ARTS CHALLENGE	Recycle week - make a sculpture or collage from some recycled material. Take a picture and upload onto class dojo		

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
Elmer	96.5%	7
Funnybones	98.3%	4
Gruffalo	96.0%	4
Stickman	97.7%	3
Dahl	98.0%	3
Wilson	98.1%	4
Simon	98.3%	3
Walliams	97.1%	5
Fine	95.5%	6
Horowitz	95.7%	3
Morpurgo	98.1%	2
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Times Tables Rockstars



Last week's results	This week's battles
Elmer vs Funnybones	Elmer vs Funnybones
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Elmer wins!	Fine vs Gruffalo
Fine vs Morpurgo	
4256 7096	Stickman vs Horowitz
Morpurgo wins!	
Gruffalo vs Dahl	Morpurgo vs Simon
7087 14303	
Dahl wins!	Walliams vs Wilson
Wilson vs Stickman	
3867 7828	Dahl vs Simon
Stickman wins!	
Simon vs Horowitz	
7095 4096	
Simon wins!	
Walliams vs Horowitz	
7942 4096	
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TOP 3 PLAYERS IN EACH CLASS

	<u>Elmer</u>	<u>Funnybones</u>	<u>Stickman</u>	<u>Gruffalo</u>	<u>Dahl</u>	
	Dylan	Hayden	Alexander	Olivia	Chidera	
	Hunter	Jack	Chika	Evie	Ishaan	
	Adrian	Vinnie	Inika	Alfie	Callum	
r	Wilson	<u>Walliams</u>	<u>Simon</u>	<u>Horowitz</u>	<u>Fine</u>	<u>Morpurgo</u>
ľ	<u>Wilson</u> Helena	<u>Walliams</u> Eva P	<u>Simon</u> Sami	<u>Horowitz</u> Ben	<u>Fine</u> Selina	<u>Morpurgo</u> Michael
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	Helena	Eva P	Sami	Ben	Selina	Michael



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!



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	Hungry C		Dahl	Joel
	Rainbow Fish		Wilson	Eva
	Elmer	Blake	Walliams	Thomas D
	Funnybones	Jack	Simon	Anais
	Gruffalo	Bailey	Horowitz	Рорру
	Stickman	Danny	Fine	Charlie
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The R.O.A.R. certificates were issued to.......

Hungry C		Dahl	Iola
Rainbow Fish		Wilson	Freddy
Elmer	Ellie	Walliams	Gemma
Funnybones	Matthew	Simon	Sophie
Gruffalo	Мае	Fine	Lola
Stickman	Harry P	Horowitz	Aaliyah
		Morpurgo	Isabelle



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

Funnybones and Stickman Class



Achievements outside of school...

Aran from Stickman Class got his first badge 'Disability Awareness Badge' at Dartford Cambria Sea Scouts—well done Aran!

Olivia (Gruffalo) completed the reading challenge over the summer holidays—well done Olivia.