



# The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 5

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Dear Parents/Carers,

A slightly colder week this week....please start sending children in with coats especially when the forecast is rain.

## Holiday requests

As the letter I sent out earlier in the week stated, I have received lots of holiday requests this term already. Whilst I understand the reasonings behind the requests and appreciate the offer of catching up with missed work, unfortunately I can not authorise these and it is our policy to request penalty notices for term time holidays over 10 sessions. I can only authorise absences in extreme circumstances; holidaying now due to Covid does not count as that so please if you request a holiday, expect a letter back which explains a penalty notice will be requested.

## Royal Opera House

The children of Year 5 attended the Royal Opera House on Friday last week; although the journey home may have been much longer than anticipated, the children seemed to have thoroughly enjoyed the visit to London and the opportunity to watch 'The Magic Flute'. A huge thank you to all the staff who went along and gave up some of their Friday evening due to traffic. Thank you to Mr Dymott for arranging.

## Drop off

A reminder that we are now closing the gate as close to 8.50 as possible so that the children can get in and start their learning as soon as possible; we feel that due to the few numbers of children arriving between 8.50 and 8.55 we can now do this. If you arrive and the gate is closed, please come in through the main entrance and sign your child in.

## Harvest

Details of our harvest festival will be sent out next week; in the meantime, do please start to look in your cupboards for any food items that you could donate to the harvest this year.

## Bike to school week

This week has been bike to school week. In assembly on Monday we looked at the benefits of cycling to school and how we can keep ourselves safe when we are on our bikes and scooters. Please do feel free to leave your child's bike and/or scooter at school; those who come out the front can leave them by the main gate and those who are collected on the KS2 playground are able to take their bikes/scooters there in the morning, ready to collect in the afternoon.

## PE kits

We would request that children are wearing their school jumpers/cardigans on PE days please; they can bring a sports top to wear for the PE session if they want but during the day we want a more consistent look in terms of what the children are wearing. Thank you for your support with this.

## Important dates

11/10	Boys football tournament
11/10	School photos (individual)
13/10	Girls football tournament
21/10	Last day of term
21/10	PTA Fireworks
22/10	INSET DAY
1/11	Start of term 2
10/11	EYFS 2022 open morning
11/11	Diwali workshop
12./11	Diwali workshop
17/11	EYFS 2022 open morning
1/12	KS2 parents eve KS1 parents eve early session
2/12	KS1 parents eve late session
3/12	INSET day
17/12	End of term 2

## YOUNG VOICES

Young Voices tickets for Year 6 have now been purchased; we can not purchase any more on parents/carers behalf, however they will be open to the public at some point soon and more tickets can be purchased directly.

Have an enjoyable weekend—Mr Hiscock

# EYFS NEWS



The children have been working hard all week in EYFS; learning new sounds, sorting and matching in number work, listening, interacting, managing feelings, exploring and much more .....no wonder they are feeling tired.

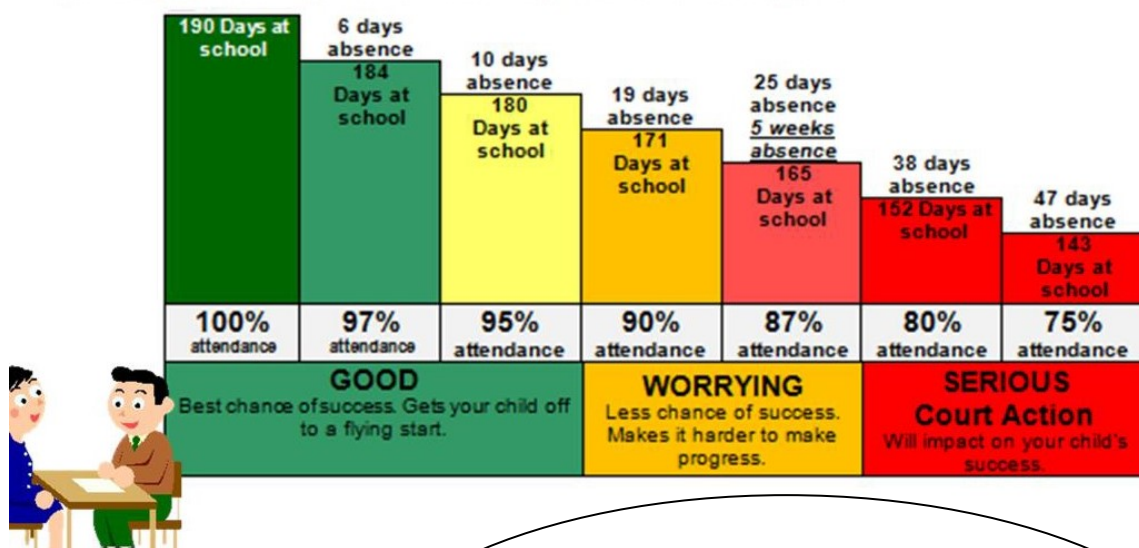
If you haven't already done so please activate your Tapestry accounts. EYFS have begun focus children this week and it would be helpful to you to access your child's account. Also, there will be a weekly Friday memo on Tapestry to share what is coming up next week.

## Arts and cultural challenges



Date	Activity idea										
LAST WEEK'S ARTS CHALLENGE	<p>Recycle week - make a sculpture or collage from some recycled material.</p> <p>Take a picture and upload onto class dojo</p> <p>Thank you and well done to...</p> <table><tr><td>Jess (Walliams)</td><td>Amelia Rose (Stickman)</td></tr><tr><td>Eva P (Walliams)</td><td>Oliver (Stickman)</td></tr><tr><td>Matthew (Simon)</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Renzo (Funnybones)</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Mia Rose (Funnybones)</td><td></td></tr></table>	Jess (Walliams)	Amelia Rose (Stickman)	Eva P (Walliams)	Oliver (Stickman)	Matthew (Simon)		Renzo (Funnybones)		Mia Rose (Funnybones)	
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THIS WEEK'S ART CHALLENGE	<p>THE BIG DRAW</p> <p>WATCH THE YOUTUBE CLIPS UPLOADED OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS AND HAVE A GO AT DRAWING.</p> <p>This week...</p> <p>Try to draw a sleepy sloth like Westie <a href="#">#AdArt - Learn how to draw a sleepy sloth step-by-step. - YouTube</a></p> <p>Or a Lion like Lenny <a href="#">#AdArt - Learn how to draw a lion step by step. - YouTube</a></p> <p>UPLOAD ANY PICTURES ONTO CLASS DOJO.</p>										

# 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	92.8%	6
Funnybones	96.6%	4
Gruffalo	91.0%	5
Stickman	88.2%	9
Dahl	97.3%	2
Wilson	98.3%	2
Simon	99.3%	1
Walliams	94.0%	6
Fine	88.6%	8
Horowitz	96.0%	5
Morpurgo	96.5%	4

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

# Times Tables Rockstars



Last week's results....	This week's battles.....
<p>Elmer vs Funnybones 3801      2095 ELMER WINS!</p> <p>Fine vs Gruffalo 3506      6991 GRUFFALO WINS!</p> <p>Stickman vs Horowitz 12187      2477 STICKMAN WINS!</p> <p>Morpurgo vs Simon 3178      10242 SIMON WINS!</p> <p>Walliams vs Wilson 4351      3097 WALLIAMS WINS!</p> <p>Dahl vs Simon 10243      10242</p>	<p>Year 1 girls vs boys</p> <p>Year 2 girls vs boys</p> <p>Year 3 girls vs boys</p> <p>Year 4 girls vs boys</p> <p>Year 5 girls vs boys</p> <p>Year 6 girls vs boys</p>

## TOP 3 PLAYERS IN EACH CLASS

<u><b>Elmer</b></u> Arlind Adrian Dylan	<u><b>Funnybones</b></u> Matthew Hayden Ethan	<u><b>Stickman</b></u> Alexander Chika Inika	<u><b>Gruffalo</b></u> Evie Olivia Angela	<u><b>Dahl</b></u> Chidera Jude Aimee	
<u><b>Wilson</b></u> Helena Oscar Adam	<u><b>Walliams</b></u> Grishiga Tilly Oliver	<u><b>Simon</b></u> Sami Amelie Matthew	<u><b>Horowitz</b></u> Ben Olivia Laurie	<u><b>Fine</b></u> Harry Albert Vihaan	<u><b>Morpurgo</b></u> Michael Ernie Daniel

# 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		Dahl	Stanlietta
Rainbow Fish		Wilson	Aria
Elmer	Harrison	Walliams	Ranti
Funnybones	Demi	Simon	Endri
Gruffalo	Harrison	Horowitz	Isabelle
Stickman	Amelia Rose	Fine	Albert
		Morpurgo	Ellie

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

Hungry C		Dahl	Maisy
Rainbow Fish		Wilson	Finley
Elmer	Emily	Walliams	Arion
Funnybones	Renzo	Simon	Amber
Gruffalo	Joshua	Fine	Adil
Stickman	Thea	Horowitz	Toby
		Morpurgo	Frank



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

Simon Class



## Achievements outside of school...

Congratulations to Joshua in Gruffalo Class who achieved his 10m swimming award — well done.