



The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 8

Thursday 21 Oct '21

Dear Parents/Carers,

I attended a first aid course this week; it is always good to be an adult and using the Craylearning skills of taking risks and not worrying about mistakes that have been made but learning from them. I completed the course; Mrs Scarborough and Mrs Chandler were also successful in completing a similar course a couple of weeks ago—well done and thank you to them!

Thank you

I can not believe that we are at the end of the first term of the year and I am pleased to say on the whole Covid has not impacted on us as much as it has done in the past. It has been so great to see things getting back to a sense of normal with assemblies taking place, children playing together, staff mixing and parents coming back into school. We hope to be able to provide more of these opportunities throughout the year. A big thank you to all the children who have settled back into new routines and learning, to the staff who work tirelessly and to you as parents/carers for your support in helping the year start so successfully.

Football

The boys returned to play in the finals of the Dartford District Football tournament last Friday. They played against 5 other schools and finished in 4th place overall. We can not wait to hear more about their successes (and those of the girls football team) later in the year.

Payments

Payments for the following activities are due as follows:

- Y5 Residential next payment due by 1st Nov, amounts due and dates are on School Gateway
- Y4 Residential next payment due by 1st Nov, amounts due and dates are on School Gateway
- Y6 Swimming from Tuesday 9th Nov - payment can be made weekly or for the full term.

INSET day

A reminder that the children are not in school on Friday 22nd October as the staff have attachment training as INSET. A reminder that we also have another INSET day next term on Friday 3rd December; this is Talk 4 Writing training which will support in the teaching of writing across the school.

The children return after half term on Monday 1st November.

PE day change

A reminder that PE days will change in term 2, as follows:

Monday—Morpurgo; Horowitz
Tuesday—Dahl; Wilson; Walliams
Wednesday—Horowitz; Fine; Stickman; Gruffalo
Thursday—Simon
Friday—Elmer; Funnybones; Gruffalo

Years 4, 5 and 6 need to wear PE kits on 1st November as they have a firefighter fitness workshop to take part in.

Important dates

21/10	Last day of term
22/10	INSET DAY
1/11	Start of term 2
1/11	Years 4-6 wear PE kits; firefighter fitness workshop
10/11	EYFS 2022 open morning
11/11	Diwali workshop (Years 2—4)
12./11	Diwali workshop (Years 4-6)
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

Mini reports

You should have received mini reports for how your child has settled in this year so far.

A reminder that there will be an attainment report next term before the parents/carers consultation on December 1st/2nd.

Wishing you all a restful half term break—Mr Hiscock

EYFS NEWS



Well done to all of the children for completing their first term at Craylands....they have been amazing and they now need a well-earned rest after embracing so many new experiences and routines.

Highlights of this week include pumpkin scooping, bread making, Autumn songs and sharing harvest.

We look forward to our Term 2 topic called 'Sparkle and Shine'.
Have an enjoyable half term.

Arts and cultural challenges



Date	Activity idea								
LAST WEEK'S ARTS CHALLENGE	<p>WH Johnson style drawings.....</p> <table><tr><td>Sami (Simon)</td><td>Harriet (Elmer)</td></tr><tr><td>Eva P (Walliams)</td><td>Dylan (Elmer)</td></tr><tr><td>Poppy (Stickman)</td><td>Hari (Elmer)</td></tr><tr><td>Freya (Horowitz)</td><td>Melissa (Fine)</td></tr></table>	Sami (Simon)	Harriet (Elmer)	Eva P (Walliams)	Dylan (Elmer)	Poppy (Stickman)	Hari (Elmer)	Freya (Horowitz)	Melissa (Fine)
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THIS WEEK'S ART CHALLENGE	<p>If you create a pumpkin over half term, why not upload a picture on Class Dojo to share with Mr Hiscock.</p>								



Throughout October, we will be celebrating Black History Month at Craylands.

Please find some links below to videos you may wish to use to continue the important discussions related to Black History.

EYFS/KSI

[Celebrating Black History Month on CBeebies - CBeebies - BBC](#)

This jazz man reading; a celebration of jazz music—<https://youtu.be/bSr1HEvcMhU>

[Best Black History Month Song! | Celebrate Black People Who Change the World | Miss Jessica's World - YouTube](#)

KS2

[Black British Stories - BBC Teach](#)

[Rosa Parks - BBC Teach](#)

[Harriet Tubman - BBC Teach](#)

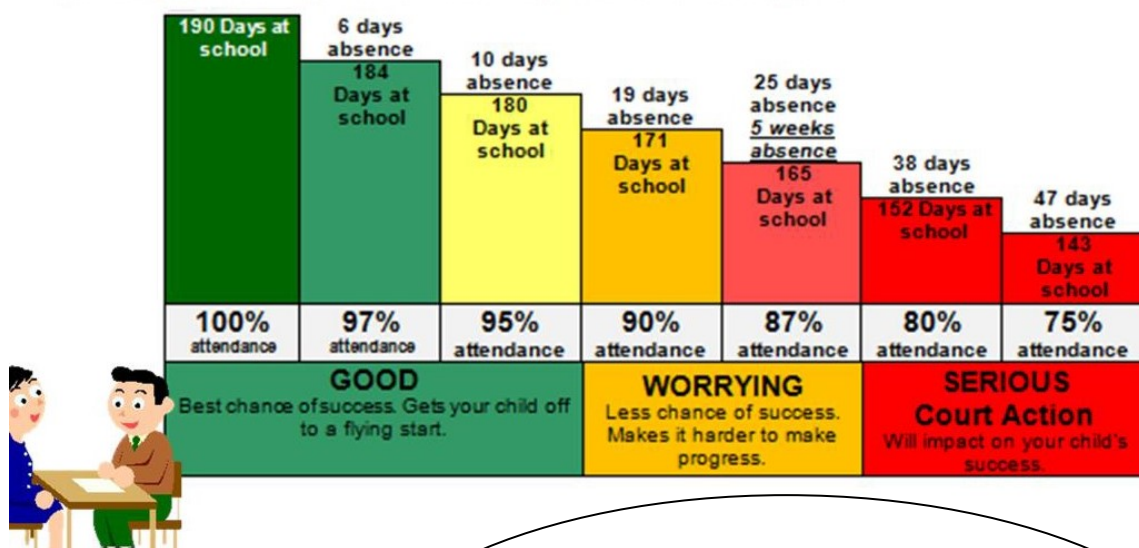
[KS2: Pablo Fanque - The greatest Victorian showman - BBC Teach](#)

[School Learning Zone - Black History Month \(school-learningzone.co.uk\)](#)

[Racism in schools - KS2 PSHE and Citizenship - BBC Bitesize](#)

[BBC iPlayer - Horrible Histories - Top 5: Black History Month with Oti Mabuse](#)

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	90.0%	10
Funnybones	87.5%	7
Gruffalo	96.9%	3
Stickman	93.3%	5
Dahl	94.1%	4
Wilson	95.4%	3
Simon	87.0%	8
Walliams	95.8%	5
Fine	96.6%	2
Horowitz	86.6%	7
Morpurgo	96.1%	4

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

Times Tables Rockstars



Last week's results.... As of 6p.m. Weds 20/10	This week's battles.....
<p>Elmer vs Funnybones 1019 205 Elmer Wins!</p> <p>Stickman vs Gruffalo 13577 7167 Stickman wins!</p> <p>Dahl vs Wilson 17974 1862 Dahl wins!</p> <p>Walliams vs Simon 7699 8328 Simon wins!</p> <p>Fine vs Horowitz 6272 1856 Fine wins!</p> <p>Morpurgo vs Fine 1615 6272 Fine wins!</p>	<p>HALF TERM 2 WEEK BATTLE</p> <p>YEAR 1 vs YEAR 2</p> <p>Year 3 vs Year 4</p> <p>Year 5 vs Year 6</p>

TOP 3 PLAYERS IN EACH CLASS—as of 6p.m. Weds 20/10

<u>Elmer</u> Adrian Hari Arlind	<u>Funnybones</u> Finley Nate Elsie	<u>Stickman</u> Alexander Chika Inika	<u>Gruffalo</u> Evie G Olivia Angela	<u>Dahl</u> Zain Chidera Tristan	<u>Wilson</u> Ashley Helena Oscar
<u>Simon</u> Sami Amelie Matthew	<u>Walliams</u> Grishiga Emilie Gemma	<u>Fine</u> Vihaan Tristan Selina	<u>Horowitz</u> Benjamin Daisy Thomas	<u>Morpurgo</u> Ethan Maximillien Michael	

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	Ishaan
Rainbow Fish		Wilson	Monaco
Elmer	Eva	Walliams	Euan
Funnybones	Elizabeth T	Simon	Poppy
Gruffalo	Molly	Horowitz	Ben
Stickman	Nathan	Fine	Ella
		Morpurgo	Max FK

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

Hungry C		Dahl	Whole class
Rainbow Fish		Wilson	Whole class
Elmer	Jacob	Walliams	Eva L
Funnybones	Lillyrose	Simon	Daniel
Gruffalo	Nathan	Fine	Vihaan
Stickman	Alfie	Horowitz	Kofo
		Morpurgo	Ernie



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

Gruffalo Class



Achievements outside of school...

Eva P (Walliams) has been fully enrolled as a brownie guide—well done Eva!