



The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 2

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Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have all continued to work hard and make progress this week in their learning; whilst we recognise there are gaps that remain in their learning, they are all being Craylearners and doing their best.

Staff update

We have had a number of new staff join our team in the last few months and I would like to take the opportunity to welcome them to the school:

Mrs Chapman—Midday meal supervisor
Mrs Slater—Midday meal supervisor
Mrs Symonds—Midday meal supervisor
Mrs Whatley—supply teacher

We also have a new face in the school office; Mrs Newbigging will be working on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday—she will most likely be the first face that you see if you come to the office on those days.

World Book Day

On Thursday this week, the school was taken over by characters from story books—there were so many fantastic costumes; a big well done and thank you to all the parents/carers who made, bought or provided these costumes.

On the day itself, the children took part in literacy based activities around a story book that they read—these were funny cautionary tales. I look forward to seeing some of the work that the children completed on the day up on display soon.

So many of you visited the book fair this week—the hall was very busy! It is so great to see that as parents/carers you recognise the value of reading to our young children. There were lots of great books on sale and I hope that through your purchases, the school will also benefit. A huge thank you to the Friends of Craylands for running the sales for us—we know that the card reader machines were a little temperamental and we very much appreciated the patience of those waiting to purchase.

Well done to all those who entered the reading at home challenge also and congratulations to the winners who received a book token to spend earlier in the week.

Thank you to Mrs Roddan for arranging the events this week. She is passionate, as we all are, about books and about reading—it really is such an important part of a child's life and has a positive impact on all areas of their learning so please do read with your child as much as you can at home.

Homelearning

A reminder that on one of the following pages there is a guide as to what your child has been learning over the past week in maths and in SPAG. There is also a link to a website activity or video that you can watch with your child and recap over the learning that they have completed this week.

Please also do try to get your child to use times tables rockstars and/or Numbots regularly during the week as these will support with their knowledge and understanding of fundamental arithmetic.

Important dates

20/3	Last week of clubs
25/3	Friends of Craylands disco
w/c 28/3	Spring term attainment sheets handed out
30/3	Year 1 parents evening early times
31/3	Parents evening— TIMES TO FOLLOW Year 1 parents evening (late times)
1/4	End of term 4
19/4	Start of term 5
24/4— 27/4	Years 4 & 5 residential
27/5	End of term 5
w/c 9/5	SATs week—PLEASE ENSURE YEAR 6 ARE IN THIS WEEK.
w/c 9/5	Year 2 SATS will start for the next few weeks— PLEASE ENSURE YEAR 2 ARE IN.
20/6— 24/6	Year 6 residential

One way system

You may now use either of the gates to enter or exit the school site.

Please do be mindful that the top gate can get very busy with people coming in and out at the same time.

Please do not respond to Schoolcomms messages.
To contact us please email:
admin@craylands.kent.sch.uk or for absences please email: enquiries@craylands.kent.sch.uk
Thank you

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend—Mr Hiscock



Easter Disco

The Friends of Craylands have arranged an Easter Disco for Friday 25th March. If you had purchased a ticket for the Christmas disco please note that it will be valid for the Easter disco.

If you would like more details or to book a ticket please click the link below

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofthecraylandsschool/>

Nearly New Uniform

Our Nearly New uniform shop runs throughout the year and has proved very popular! We accept donations of any good quality uniform; please email friendsofcraylands@gmail.com if you have any questions or would like to donate.

To purchase items please click the link below

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofthecraylandsschool/>

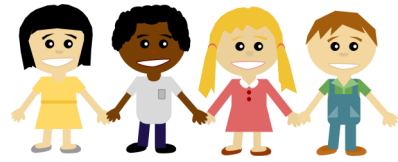
Friends of Craylands Chairperson

Sadly, in a few months Kiki, our current Chair, will be standing down as her son is now in Year 6 and will be leaving the school at the end of this academic year. If you wish to find out more about the different roles within the Friends of Craylands and how you can be involved in event planning and fundraising for the school please join our next online meeting. We will email the link to all parents.

Thank you for your continuing support. Please remember to use our easyfundraising and smile.amazon links when you shop online. It's an easy way to raise funds at no extra cost to you.

We are now starting to plan some fun events for the rest of this academic year, watch this space for upcoming dates!

EYFS NEWS



Spring has arrived and despite the drizzly start to the week the children enjoyed their meadow session as always. They could see and talk about some of the changes happening, new buds, daffodils and blossom.

Throughout the week the children have been exploring number pairs to 10 and counting forwards and backwards from 10.

Yesterday, we immersed ourselves in storytelling and had a wonderful book day.

Arts and cultural challenges



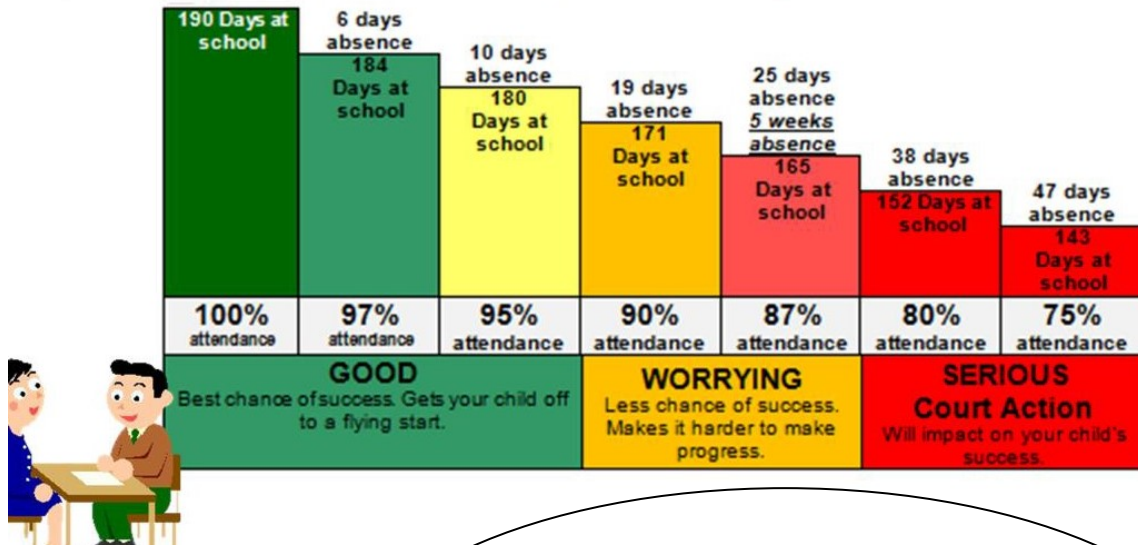
Date	Activity idea															
THIS WEEK'S ART CHALLENGE	<p>To celebrate national feet week, why not try to create some artwork with your feet</p> <p>https://youtu.be/zolnrY_zIVk</p> <p>https://youtu.be/r7HTMO8JuzA</p>															
LAST WEEK'S ART CHALLENGE	<p>To celebrate 'Tell a Fairy Tale day' draw a picture of a character from a fairy tale</p> <table><tr><td>Arlind (Elmer)</td><td>Dylan (Elmer)</td><td>Izzie C (Horowitz)</td></tr><tr><td>Harriet (Elmer)</td><td>Elizabeth K (Funnybones)</td><td>Olivia (Gruffalo)</td></tr><tr><td>James (Elmer)</td><td>Finley (Funnybones)</td><td>Aryan (Funnybones)</td></tr><tr><td>Hunter (Elmer)</td><td>Amelia Rose (Stickman)</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Hari (Elmer)</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>	Arlind (Elmer)	Dylan (Elmer)	Izzie C (Horowitz)	Harriet (Elmer)	Elizabeth K (Funnybones)	Olivia (Gruffalo)	James (Elmer)	Finley (Funnybones)	Aryan (Funnybones)	Hunter (Elmer)	Amelia Rose (Stickman)		Hari (Elmer)		
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What have the Craylearners been learning about this week?
Ask your child to show you their learning from this week at home.
Click on the links for extra home learning.

Year group	Maths	Spag
Elmer / Funnybones	Length and height Spr1.8.3 - Compare lengths and heights on Vimeo	Conjunction 'but' Using conjunctions to join ideas - English - Learning with BBC Bitesize - BBC Bitesize
Gruffalo/ Stickman	Quarters and thirds Spr2.11.1 - Find a quarter on Vimeo Spr2.11.3 - Find a third on Vimeo	Word classes What are nouns? - BBC Bitesize What is a verb? - BBC Bitesize
Dahl/Wilson	Length and perimeter Spr3.7.1 - Measure length on Vimeo Spr3.8.1 - Compare lengths on Vimeo	Contractions How to use apostrophes in contractions - BBC Bitesize
Walliams/Simon	Equivalent fractions Spr4.6.2 - Equivalent fractions (1) on Vimeo	Double negatives en31vari-l1-f-what-are-double-negatives.pdf (bbci.co.uk)
Horowitz/Fine	Addition of fractions Spr5.7.3 - Add mixed numbers on Vimeo	Inverted commas How to use inverted commas - BBC Bitesize
Morpurgo	Algebra Spr6.6.4 - Find pairs of values (1) on Vimeo	Subjunctive form https://youtu.be/E79CwachH0rg

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	95.0%	5
Funnybones	99.3%	1
Gruffalo	94.3%	3
Stickman	97.3%	3
Dahl	98.6%	2
Wilson	97.3%	2
Simon	96.0%	3
Walliams	97.3%	1
Fine	98.0%	2
Horowitz	90.3%	6
Morpurgo	91.3%	5

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

Times Tables Rockstars



Last weeks results...	This week's battles.....
<p>Dahl vs Wilson 17,324 2276 Dahl wins!</p> <p>Fine vs Horowitz 21170 3507 Fine wins!</p> <p>Simon vs Walliams 2905 4878 Walliams wins!</p> <p>Stickman vs Gruffalo 8883 6886 Stickman wins!</p> <p>Morpurgo vs Simon 2467 2905 Simon wins!</p>	<p>Year 2 vs Year 3</p> <p>Year 3 vs Year 4</p> <p>Year 5 vs Year 6</p> <p>PLEASE TRY TO PLAY ON TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS—THE OVERALL SCORES THIS WEEK WERE VERY LOW IN COMPARISON TO NORMAL WEEKS.</p>

TOP 3 PLAYERS IN EACH YEAR

HC Top 3 players on Numbots amount of minutes Taylor Jessica Ethan	RF Top 3 players on Numbots amount of minutes Lenny Jai Olivia	Funnybones Top 3 players on Numbots amount of minutes Jack Aryan Nate	Elmer Top 3 players on Numbots amount of minutes Arlind James Dylan	Stickman Alexander Chika Inika	Gruffalo Evie Angela Tilly	
Dahl Zain Chidera Jude	Wilson Helena Safia Fletcher	Walliams Ranti Arion Hayden	Simon Amelie Harrison Nathan	Horowitz Ben Daisy Faren	Fine Habib Albert Jack	Morpurgo Ernie Ethan 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	Iola
Rainbow Fish		Wilson	Aria
Elmer	Frankie	Walliams	Arion
Funnybones	Iyla	Simon	Eliza
Gruffalo	Evie	Horowitz	Olivia
Stickman	Danny	Fine	Lola
		Morpurgo	Camren

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

Hungry C		Dahl	Jude
Rainbow Fish		Wilson	Fletcher
Elmer	Ayden	Walliams	Macen / Harriet
Funnybones	Poppy	Simon	Amelie
Gruffalo	Faith	Fine	Charlie
Stickman	Alexander	Horowitz	Skye
		Morpurgo	Jessica



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

Funnybones Class



Achievements outside of school...

Congratulations to Jake C (HC) for achieving his stage 1 swimming certificate.