



The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 6

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As the weather turns a little chillier, please send your child in with a NAMED coat; we already have so much un-named lost property!

Reading mornings

Thank you to all those of you who have attended a reading morning with your children this week; we hope that you enjoyed this dedicated time to read with your child. Reading is such an important part of your child's education and it is vital that they read regularly; whether this be their school reading book, comics, non-fiction books—whatever they are interested in, we should encourage them to read.

Reading opens up our children's world even more—they gain knowledge from reading, widen their vocabulary and they have fun! Those who read more, become better writers as they have a better understanding of the grammatical structures and how to write for an audience. Those who read more, are more likely to be able to understand word problems in maths lessons, demonstrating their reasoning and problem solving skills. Those who read more can take part more confidently in our STAR topics, showing that they understand the historical, geographical or scientific subjects being learnt.

As part of your child's weekly home learning, we ask that they read regularly—preferably every day. We understand that this may not be possible for all and we would just encourage you to read at any opportunity.

TTRS/Numbots

A big thank you to all the parents/carers who have supported their children in playing on Times Tables Rockstars this week as part of their home learning. Overall we had 219 children playing on TTRS this week—slightly down on last week! We really need YEAR 3 playing more!

42 children in Year 1 played on Numbots which is more than last week....87% of Elmer class played but only 57% played in Funnybones....let's see more Funnybones play next week please.

Unsafe parking

This week, I was sent this image of a vehicle parking dangerously on the corner of the roundabout at drop off time; this type of parking could very well end in a serious accident as it prevents cars from having a clear view when turning after using the school drop off.



Also, parking on the pavement reduces the space available for parents/carers and the children to walk past. Please park considerably.

No nuts

We have children with nut allergies so we would ask that parents do NOT provide their children with nut based items in lunches. Thank you.

Parent/carer surveys

Please do take time to complete the surveys sent out earlier this week using the Survey Monkey links sent by School Comms. We will collect written comments as feedback at the next parents/carers evening.

Hope you all have an enjoyable weekend—Mr Hiscock

Important dates

20/10	End of term 1
30/10	Start of term 2
8/11	Friends of Craylands AGM
13/11	Prospective EYFS Sept 2024 open morning
20/11	Prospective EYFS Sept 2024 open morning
23/11	Parents evening
24/11	INSET Day
27/11	Y2 reading morning 8.30 - 8.55
28/11	Year 3 & Year 4 reading morning 8.30a.m. - 8.55a.m.
29/11	Year 5 & 6 reading morning 8.30a.m. - 8.55a.m.
30/11	Y1 reading morning 8.30 a.m. - 8.55 a.m.
6/12	KS1 nativity a.m. (timings tbc) EYFS nativity p.m. (timings tbc)
7/12	EYFS nativity a.m. (timings tbc) KS1 nativity p.m. (timings tbc)
15/12	Last day of term 2

Craylearning values assembly

We look forward to our first Craylearning values assembly next week; invites were sent out earlier this week to those who have been recognized for 'Listening to others' this term.



Online reading books...

<https://youtu.be/H6Iw3gmX39Y> - Hair Love

<https://youtu.be/cng5mdBv3WM>—We're going to find a monster

<https://youtu.be/9IhhCq44ar8>—Ruby's worry

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, race and racism.

EYFS/KS1

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

[Song celebrating black history](#)

[Coming to England by Floella Benjamin](#)

[Celebrating Famous Black British people](#)

[Mae Jemison video](#)

KS2

Windrush generation—[What is the Windrush Generation? - CBBC Newsround](#)

[Black British Stories - BBC Teach](#)

[Rosa Parks - BBC Teach](#)

[Harriet Tubman - BBC Teach](#)

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

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

[Black Britons who changed the world](#)

[Black women you should know about](#)

[Black men who made history in Britain](#)

[Inspirational Black Women](#)

Race and Racism

Understanding race—Sesame Street—https://youtu.be/Dk_HYAiS26I?si=g48I2UwaUsa_jtIB

A kids book about racism—<https://youtu.be/9IhhCq44ar8>

What is racism for children—https://youtu.be/_uz5BcMzqZs?si=9MIEpbMatgox7OKw

Blue Peter—how you can help to stop racism—<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/watch/bp-advice-for-helping-to-stop-racism>

KS2—Bullying and racism—<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/pshe-ks2-bullying-and-racism/z7tv8xs>

Cuppa, cake & Catch up!

Join the Friends of Craylands and find out
what we've been up to last year and what we
have planned for the year ahead!

Wednesday 8th November

9am

School Hall



Dates for your diary

We would very much like to try to improve on how much notice we give you for events this year. Whilst this will not always be possible, I can share with you the following dates. Please be advised that some events may need to change depending on circumstances.

There will be other events which we will let you know as far in advance as possible when they have been finalised.

8/11	Friends of Craylands AGM at 9 a.m.
9/11	KS1 anti bullying workshop (times tbc)
16/11	KS2 anti bullying workshop (times tbc)
23/11	Parents evening
24/11	INSET Day
27/11	Year 2 reading morning 8.30a.m.—8.55a.m.
28/11	Years 3 & 4 reading morning 8.30a.m.—8.55a.m.
29/11	Years 5 & 6 reading morning 8.30a.m.—8.55a.m.
30/11	Year 1 reading morning 8.30a.m.—8.55a.m.
6/12	KS1 nativity a.m. (timings tbc) EYFS nativity p.m. . (timings tbc)
7/12	EYFS nativity a.m. . (timings tbc) KS1 nativity p.m. . (timings tbc)
11/12	Year 3 xmas sing song 2.45p.m.
12/12	Year 4 xmas sing song 2.45p.m.
13/12	Year 5 xmas sing song 2.45p.m.
14/12	Year 6 xmas sing song 2.45p.m.
15/12	Last day of term 2
28/4—1/5	Year 4 residential
8/7—12/7	Year 6 residential
19/7	Last day of the academic year Year 6 leavers assembly p.m.
22/7	INSET DAY
23/7	INSET DAY



Today your child is bringing home their first library book which they have chosen in class. This is a book to be shared together for pleasure and they need to be returned on Wednesday please.

Number - We have been categorizing groups, comparing using the language of more and fewer and combining groups to find out how many we have altogether.

Literacy - Phonemes g o c k have been taught and the corresponding letter formation sheets are coming home for practice.

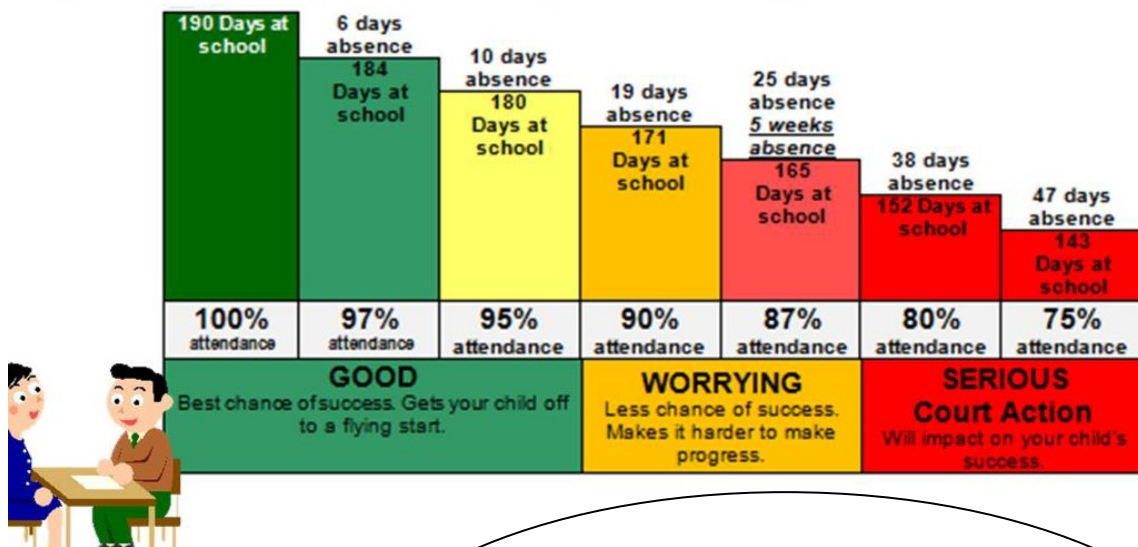


Achievements outside of school...

Sofia I (Y2) completed her level 1 swimming course—well done!

Jack in Horowitz got a certificate for completing all three tree-top rope courses at Go Ape Leeds Castle - well done Jack!

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	No of children off this week
Elmer	98.0%	3
Funnybones	94.3%	5
Gruffalo	98.0%	2
Stickman	96.3%	5
Dahl	98.0%	2
Wilson	92.6%	5
Simon	99.3%	1
Walliams	98.6%	1
Fine	98.0%	3
Horowitz	96.6%	4
Morpurgo	98.0%	3
Ralf	97.3%	2

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



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	Parts and wholes to 10 Y1 Autumn Block 2 TS2 Part-whole model on Vimeo	
Gruffalo/ Stickman	Fact families Y2 Autumn Block 2 TS2 Fact families addition and subtraction bonds within	
Dahl/Wilson	Adding 1 more, 10 more Y3 Autumn Block 2 TS2 Add and subtract 1s on Vimeo Y3 Autumn Block 2 TS3 Add and subtract 10s on Vimeo	Basic punctuation Punctuation - KS1 English - BBC Bitesize
Walliams/Simon	Adding 4 digit numbers Y4 Autumn Block 2 TS3 Add two 4digit numbers one exchange on Vimeo	Subordinate conjunctions What is a subordinating conjunction? - BBC Bitesize
Horowitz/Fine	Mental calculations Y5 Autumn Block 2 TS1 Mental strategies on Vimeo	Relative clauses What are relative clauses? - BBC Bitesize
Morpurgo/Rauf	4 operations Y6 Autumn Block 2 TS14 Solve multi-step problems on Vimeo	Semi-Colons How to use a semi-colon - BBC Bitesize



What is your child learning about in STAR this term?

Year 2	How do we know about the Great Fire of London?
Year 3	What happens from the start to the end
Year 4	What is it like to live on Planet Earth?
Year 5	What happened in Britain after the Romans left? (Anglo Saxons)
Year 6	Does deforestation effect us?

Times Tables Rockstars

Last weeks results...	This week's battles.....
<p>Year 2 vs Year 3</p> <p>13,308 9,835</p> <p>Year 2 wins!</p>	<p>Classes battling against each other....</p> <p>Which class will score the most this week?</p>
<p>Year 3 vs Year 4</p> <p>9,835 54,473</p> <p>Year 4 wins!</p>	
<p>Year 5 vs Year 6</p> <p>166,595 130,279</p> <p>WOW—NEVER HAVE WE HAD SUCH HUGE RESULTS!</p> <p>Year 5 wins!</p>	

TOP 3 PLAYERS IN EACH YEAR

		Funnybones Top 3 players on Numbots Highest number of correct answers this week Nahil Otilie Sonny	Elmer Top 3 players on Numbots Highest number of correct answers this week Kesi Sofia Sebastian	Y2 Khalid Casey Rhiaan		Y3 Arlind Zayan Tiwa
	Y4 Alexander Alfie C Jovel		Y5 Zain Alexander Adam B		Y6 Eva P Archie Taylor	

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		Wilson	Harriet
Rainbow Fish		Walliams	Olivia C
Elmer	Olivia	Simon	Poppy
Funnybones	Hugo	Horowitz	Safia
Gruffalo	Casey	Fine	Alba
Stickman	Luana	Morpurgo	Jimmy
Dahl	Avaya	Rauf	Reggie

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

Hungry C		Wilson	Hunter
Rainbow Fish		Walliams	Evie G
Elmer	Whole Class	Simon	Jovel
Funnybones	Ali	Fine	Megan
Gruffalo	Obie	Horowitz	Aiza
Stickman	Taylor	Morpurgo	Ditvi
Dahl	Lillyrose	Rauf	Anais



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



Simon Class