



# The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 2 Week 7

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I cannot believe that we have come to the end of the Autumn Term!

## KS2 sing songs

Well these have certainly been popular this year—thank you so much to all of you who found time to come and listen to the children sing a range of Christmas songs. It has certainly brightened up what has been a rather miserable week weather wise.....in some cases I am certain that the singing even stopped the rain. A big thank you to the key stage 2 children and staff.

Thank you also to the Friends of Craylands for selling something to warm the crowds up and to those of you who purchased from them.

## Santa visit

Today, we had a surprise visit from the man in red himself. He took time out of his extremely busy schedule to deliver some gifts that have been kindly purchased by the Friends of Craylands. We do hope that the children enjoy their festive treat!

## Christmas fun and games

Thank you to the PPST for arranging the opportunity for the KS2 children to play some Christmas based games and purchase some gifts for their parents/carers.

## Bluewater choir

As expected, the choir did not disappoint last week—thank you to all who performed, to Mr Dymott for arranging it all and to all the parents/carers who came along to support.

## Goodbye

This week, we say goodbye to Ms Wright who has been with us for just over a year. We wish her all the best at her new school and thank her for all of her support over the past year and a bit.

## Christmas film nights

As already mentioned last week, the Christmas film nights were very popular and the final total of £727.62 was made after all expenses which the Friends of Craylands (and the school) are really pleased about. A huge thank you to the Friends of Craylands for all they have done this year to raise funds for the school.

## Thank you

Thank you to all members of the Craylands community—to SLT, to the teachers, the support staff, office staff, site staff, governors, you as parents/carers and of course the children for the hard work, support and dedication to ensuring we remain 'Happy together, Safe together, Learning together'.

Let's all hope that 2024 is kind to us all. I would like to take the opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and healthy and safe New Year.

## Important dates

2/1	Children return to school
9/1	2p.m. KS1 parents/carers reading workshop
10/1	9 a.m. KS1 parents/carers reading workshop
11/1	Extra Y1 reading morning
12/1	9 a.m. Y2-6 parents/carers Maths workshop
9/2	End of term 3
30/1	Year 1 and 3 reading morning
31/1	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
1/2	Year 6 and 2 reading morning
27/2	Extra Year 1 reading morning

## Craylearning value

A big well done to the 60 children who were chosen to receive the Craylearning value certificate for 'Extending their learning' this week.

Lenny was super proud to have his photo taken with all of you.

## Bright Horizons Car Park

Sadly, we had another complaint from Bright Horizons this week. It appears many of those who came to the Craylearning value assembly parked in their car park preventing their parents/carers from parking up and staff from leaving. Please do not use their car park in future.

Wishing you a lovely Christmas break—Mr Hiscock

# Dates for your diary

Date	Event
9/1/24	2 p.m. KS1 reading workshop
10/1/24	9 a.m. KS1 reading workshop
11/1/24	Extra Year 1 reading morning
12/1/24	9 a.m. Y2-6 Maths multiplication workshop
30/1/24	Year 1 and 3 reading morning
31/1/24	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
1/2/24	Year 6 and 2 reading morning
27/2/24	Extra Year 1 reading morning
12/3/24	Year 1 and 3 reading morning
13/3/24	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
14/3/24	Year 2 and 6 reading morning
28/3/24	Parents/Carers evening
25/4/24	Extra year 1 reading morning
28/4 – 1/5	Year 4 residential
7/5/24	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
8/5/24	Year 3 and 6 reading morning
9/5/24	Year 1 and 2 reading morning
13/5 – 16/5	Year 6 SATS week
11/6/24	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
12/6/24	Year 3 and 6 reading morning
13/6/24	Year 1 and 2 reading morning
26/6/24	1.45 p.m. Year 6 production
27/6/24	6.30 p.m. Year 6 production
w/c 1/7	Multicultural week
5/7/24	Sports day
8/7/24 – 12/7/24	Year 6 residential
12/7/24	End of year reports sent out
15/7/24	Jump up afternoon
16/7/24	Jump up afternoon
17/7/24	Reserve sports day
19/7/24	Last day Year 6 leavers assembly 1.45p.m.

# EYFS NEWS



We are super proud of both the EYFS classes; all adults including Rev. Charlie have commended them for their excellent behaviour whilst on their trip to the local church last week and this.

A reminder that no reading books will be coming home tonight but please do continue to read lots of stories with your children over the holidays. Home learning books have got a news task to complete.

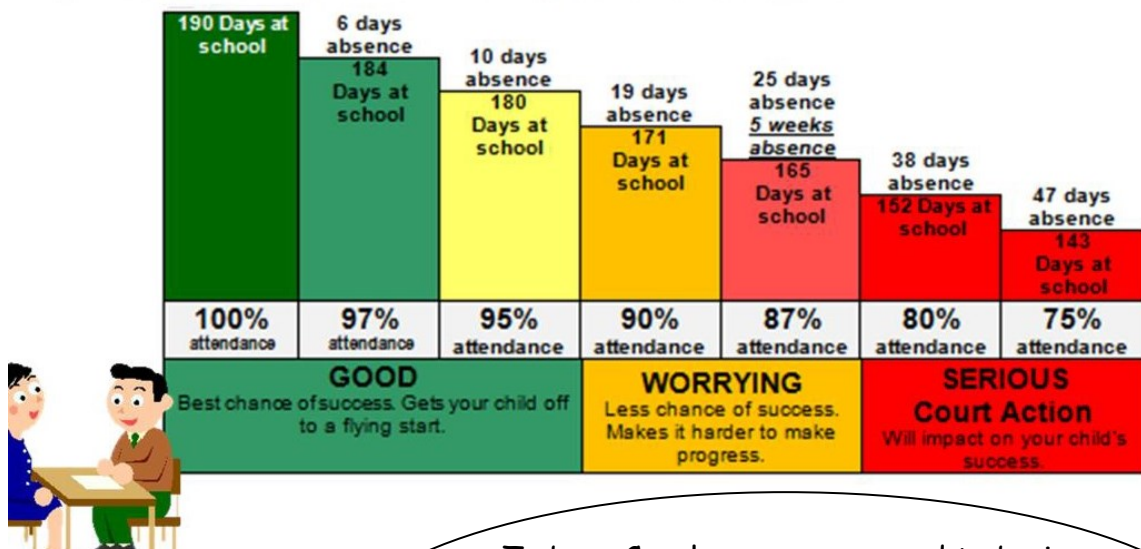
Finally, we would like to sincerely thank you for your support, kind wishes and gifts this Christmas time and we wish you all a very Happy Christmas.



## **Achievements outside of school...**

Ewen in Horowitz class had his first Karate grading this week and gained his red belt—well done Ewen!

# 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

Class	Attendance this week	No of children off this week
Elmer	95.3%	3
Funnybones	93.0%	6
Gruffalo	91.6%	8
Stickman	89.0%	9
Dahl	97.0%	4
Wilson	93.2%	4
Simon	95.4%	6
Walliams	91.3%	3
Fine	95.3%	3
Horowitz	96.3%	4
Morpurgo	91.6%	8
Rauf	94.0%	3

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

# Times Tables Rockstars

<i>Last weeks results...</i>	<i>This week's battles.....</i>
<p><i>Year 2 vs Year 3</i></p> <p><i>14,995      4225</i></p> <p><i>Year 2 wins!</i></p> <p><i>Year 4 vs Year 5 vs</i></p> <p><i>Year 6</i></p> <p><i>61,688      84,061</i></p> <p><i>10,731</i></p> <p><i>Year 6 wins!</i></p>	<p><i>No battles...enjoy the Christmas holiday.</i></p>

## TOP 3 PLAYERS IN EACH YEAR

<b>Hungry Caterpillars</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played Hiya Jaime Elizabeth	<b>Rainbow Fish</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played Unity Sara Sienna	<b>Funnybones</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played Nahil Ali Benjamin	<b>Elmer</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played George Sebastian Jasper	<b>Y2</b> Dylan Riaan Casey	<b>Y3</b> Vakaris Arlind Adrian
	<b>Y4</b> Alexander Jovel Inika		<b>Y5</b> Alexander Zain Safia		<b>Y6</b> Ditvi Naitik Grishiga

# 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 Harrison Wilson Ellie  
Rainbow Fish Marc Walliams Nathan S  
Elmer Bonnie Simon Whole class  
Funnybones Milana Horowitz Whole class  
Gruffalo Lewis Fine Whole class  
Stickman Harry Morpurgo Janae  
Dahl Whole class Rauf James

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

Hungry C	Caleb	Wilson	Jaxon
Rainbow Fish	Dave	Walliams	James
Elmer	Madison	Simon	Harrison
Funnybones	Ara	Fine	Whole class
Gruffalo	Aaron	Horowitz	Whole class
Stickman	Freddie D	Morpurgo	Nathan
Dahl	Blake	Rauf	Rosey



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



**Dahl Class**