



The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 5 Week 2

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Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have been working incredibly hard in their lessons this week; we have been focussing on presentation and it is improving!

Year 5 trip

Year 5 had a very long day on Wednesday this week as they ventured off to Hastings to visit Battle Abbey and Pevensey Castle. As part of their work on the Anglo Saxon and Viking period of history, they were able to consolidate their understanding of the Battle of Hastings. They were also able to consider the coastal defences used at Pevensey as part of the work they have undertaken on coasts. They should be commended on their impeccable behaviour on the coach and at all of the sites that they visited—well done Year 5! A big thank you to Mrs Grasby for arranging and to all the staff who attended.

Pinnacle Earth Day winner

Thank you to all of those who entered the Earth Day poster competition being run by Pinnacle. We sent over all of the entries and they have chosen a winner.

Elle from Pinnacle wrote to Mr Hiscock:

A massive thank you to all the participants who sent across their earth day posters they were all amazing!

I can confirm the winner is Nahil Y1 the reason for this— I loved the face on the world, the poster covered the points in a very clear way. The prize has been ordered and is expected to be delivered by the end of next week. Once again a very big thank you to everyone who entered the competition!



Year 4 residential

Many from Year 4 will be travelling to Kingswood in Ashford for their residential on Sunday. We hope that they have lots of fun and use their Craylearning skills to take part in the adventurous activities planned. I look forward to hearing all about it when they return.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend—Mr Hiscock

Important dates

28/4 - 1/5	Year 4 residential
7/5	Year 4 and 5 reading morning
8/5	Year 3 and 6 reading morning
9/5/24	Year 1 and 2 reading morning
w/c 13/5	Y6 SATS—ALL Y6 MUST BE IN SCHOOL
17/5	School Disco
24/5	Term 5 ends
3/6	Term 6 starts
11/6	Year 4 & 5 reading morning
12/6	Year 3 & 6 reading morning
13/6	Year 1 & 2 reading morning
26/6	Yr 6 production p.m.
27/6	Yr 6 production eve
5/7	Sports Day KS2 a.m. (at Ebbsfleet) KS1 - p.m. at school
22/7+ 23/7	INSET DAYS
2/9+ 3/9	INSET DAYS
4/9	Pupils return for T1

Communication

A reminder that all communication to the school should go via the School Office. Parents/carers should not be contacting teachers or the headteacher using their direct emails.

The office will ensure that any messages reach the relevant staff members.

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
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
17/5	PTA School Disco
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 KS2 a.m. Ebbsfleet Secondary School (timings/arrangements t.b.c.) EYFS/KS1 p.m.—Craylands (specific times sent out closer to time)
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
19/7/24	Last day Early finish EYFS—1.15p.m. Year 1 & 2 - 1.20 p.m. Year 3 & 4—1. 25 p.m. Year 5—1.30 p.m. Year 6 leavers assembly 1.45p.m.
22/7	INSET DAY
23/7	INSET DAY
2/9	INSET DAY
3/9	INSET DAY
4/9	PUPILS RETURN FOR TERM 1

**FRIENDS OF GRAYLANDS
INVITES YOU TO OUR**

SCHOOL DISCO

FRIDAY 17 MAY 2024

BUY YOUR TICKETS HERE

YEAR 1 & 2 3.30-4.30PM

YEAR 3 & 4 4.45-5.45PM

YEAR 5 & 6 6-7.15PM

How do I record my activities?

To record your activities, switch your tracking to on and start earning points towards your school leader board.

How does my school win a prize?

It's all about the number of parents, guardians and staff who take part, so encourage as many people as you can to sign up and join in with active travel! You can track your school's progress on the leader board. Come the end of the challenge, if you and your fellow parents, guardians and staff are at the top of the leader board the following prizes will be awarded:

- **1st Prize – a visit to the school from award winning theatre company 'Histrionics'**
- **2nd Prize - £250 to be spent on gardening or sports equipment or resources to encourage active travel**
- **3rd Prize - £150 to be spent on gardening or sports equipment or resources to encourage active travel**

Can I win any prizes as an individual?

Yes! By walking, wheeling, cycling, or scooting to and from school as much as possible! Every weekday morning between 7am – 10am and afternoon 2pm – 6pm you can earn BetterPoints and BetterTickets for individual prize draws.

How is the winner calculated?

The leader board is scored as a percentage of participants that take part based on the size of the school, to ensure that schools of all sizes have a fair chance of winning. It's all about the number of students, parents, guardians and staff who take part, so encourage as many people as you can to join in!

What is the BetterPoints App?

BetterPoints is an award-winning behaviour change technology company that helps people improve their own health and that of the wider community. Their vision is to create local self-supporting challenges that deliver sustainability, carbon reduction, improved self-health and social care, as well as community cohesion.

What are BetterPoints?

BetterPoints are a financially backed currency that you can redeem for high street vouchers or give to your favourite charity or community group (1,000 BetterPoints is equivalent to £1.). BetterTickets give you entry into prize draws. If you haven't done so already, make sure you join the Get Active in Ebbsfleet main challenge for the chance to win a lot more points of tickets for getting active!

What can I spend my points on?

Points can be redeemed for a variety of high-street vouchers. You can check what is available by tapping Rewards on the bottom navigation bar of your app. You can also give your points to charities and community groups, including a number of local causes too.

What type of activity counts?

Any recorded walking, wheeling, cycling, or scooting activities during the morning and afternoon school run will count towards winning individual prizes.

Can pupils use the app?

To use the BetterPoints app you must be 14 years of age and over. This restriction is in line with the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA), which protects every child under the age of 13.

Can I take part if I am in a wheelchair or mobility scooter, and if so, how do I record my journeys?

Yes! All kinds of wheelchairs and mobility scooters can be tracked as 'wheeling' in the app. Your app will automatically track your journey. Due to the motion sensors inbuilt in your device, and the algorithms in the app, it may assume you are cycling, rather than using a wheelchair or mobility scooter. In your timeline, after completing your journey you will be able to amend this to wheeling and your journey will be updated.

If the challenge has already started, can I still join in?

Yes! You can register to take part at any time during the challenge.

How does Automatic Tracking work?

The app monitors movement of the phone and will start registering a movement when the device has moved a significant distance. Once recording, waypoints are uploaded to the server as you move. Activities like walking around your home will not be picked up. Once an activity is registered as complete, BetterPoints or BetterTickets can be applied to it.

Where can I find more information?

For more information about BetterPoints and how the app works, visit the Get Active in Ebbsfleet website by scanning the QR code below.



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EYFS NEWS



So, the caterpillars are growing nicely and the children have been excited to check in on them every morning and report back. We have had fun looking under logs in the meadow and finding a range of mini-beasts, the most popular one being the woodlouse.

We ran our first reading afternoons this week; first feelings are very positive. We were delighted to see so many parents attend and lots of happy children engaged in stories.

Polite reminders -

Please ensure that reading books and home learning books are returned on a Wednesday please and not later.

Please make sure cardigans and jumpers have clear names in them.

Many thanks.



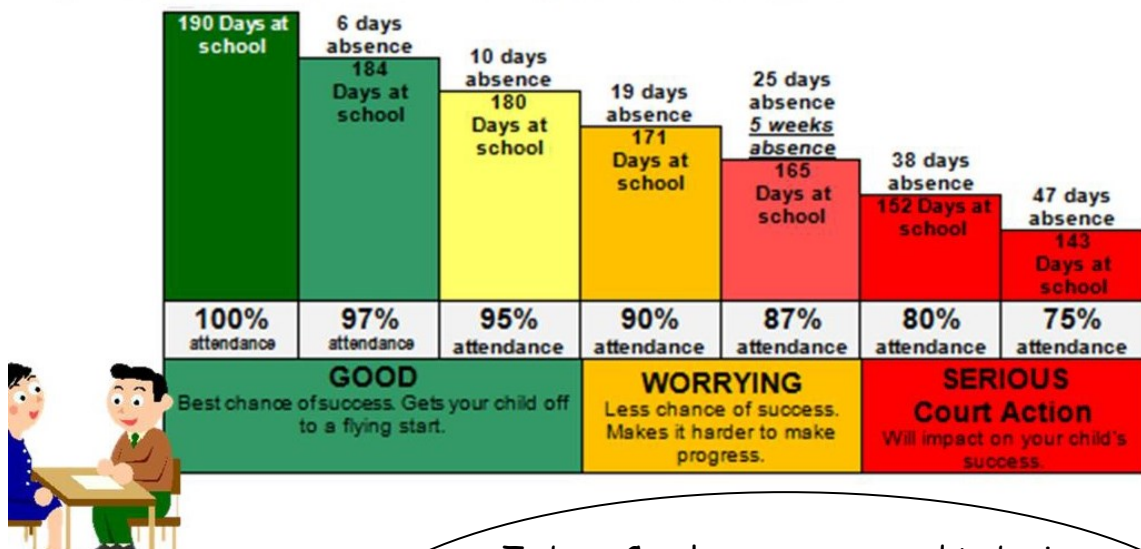
Achievements outside of school...

Jaxon (Year 3) won all his games in a tournament in Liverpool at the weekend. He is attending the Fulham vs Man City game soon and will play mini matches on the pitch at half time. Exciting opportunity for him!

He will sign for Fulham in May—well done Jaxon!

Daniel Bedford completed his level 1 in Powerboating with the Cambria Sea Scouts over the Easter holidays - well done Daniel!

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	97.3%	1
Funnybones	94.0%	5
Gruffalo	90.3%	7
Stickman	96.3%	5
Dahl	97.3%	4
Wilson	97.0%	2
Simon	98.0%	2
Walliams	97.5%	4
Fine	98.3%	1
Horowitz	97.4%	4
Morpurgo	100%	0
Rauf	98.0%	2

WELL DONE TO.....
Morpurgo Class for having perfect attendance

Times Tables Rockstars

Last weeks results...	This week's battles.....
<p>Stickman vs Gruffalo 925 3948 Gruffalo wins!</p> <p>Dahl vs Wilson 6102 4000 Dahl wins!</p> <p>Walliams vs Simon 11889 10806 Walliams wins!</p> <p>Horowitz vs Fine 5325 14506 Fine wins!</p> <p>Rauf vs Morpurgo 4562 3089 Morpurgo wins!</p>	<p>Stickman vs Wilson</p> <p>Gruffalo vs Dahl</p> <p>Simon vs Fine</p> <p>Walliams vs Horowitz</p> <p>Morpurgo vs Rauf</p>

TOP 3 PLAYERS IN EACH YEAR

<p>Hungry Caterpillars Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played</p> <p>Hiya Ethan-Andrew Kirsty</p>	<p>Rainbow Fish Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played</p> <p>Ruby Dave Unity</p>	<p>Funnybones Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played</p> <p>Nahil Sebastian Ali</p>	<p>Elmer Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played</p> <p>Kieren Idris Morire</p>	<p>Stickman Bentley Sofia Teddy</p>	<p>Gruffalo Gabriel Riaan Roselyn</p>	<p>Dahl Arlind Tiwa Mia-Rose</p>
<p>Wilson Bertie Adrian Joseph</p>	<p>Simon Angela Inika Jovel</p>	<p>Walliams Alexander Evie Harry P</p>	<p>Horowitz Alexander Harrison Zofia</p>	<p>Fine Lily Joseph Helena</p>	<p>Rauf Grishiga Harrison Heritage</p>	<p>Morpurgo Amelie Arion Eva P</p>



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		Practise phonics Buried Treasure (phonicsplay.co.uk)
Gruffalo/ Stickman	Fractions $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{3}$ Y2 Summer Block 1 TS4 Find a half on Vimeo Y2 Summer Block 1 TS5 Recognise a quarter on Vimeo Y2 Summer Block 1 TS8 Find a third on Vimeo	Practise phonics Buried Treasure (phonicsplay.co.uk)
Dahl/Wilson	Adding and subtracting fractions Y3 Summer Block 1 TS1 Add fractions on Vimeo Y3 Summer Block 1 TS2 Subtract fractions on Vimeo	Inverted commas How to use inverted commas - BBC Bitesize
Walliams/Simon	Tenths and a decimal Y4 Spring Block 4 TS2 Tenths as decimals on Vimeo	Time conjunctions https://youtu.be/seaeluxIsqw?si=cJN-GsKck_OrutT-
Horowitz/Fine	Perimeter of rectilinear shapes Y5 Spring Block 4 TS2 Perimeter of rectilinear shapes on Vimeo	Punctuation revision https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zrybvk7#zs82p9q
Morpurgo/Rauf	Revision https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zrybvk7#zs82p9q	Revision https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zrybvk7#zs82p9q



What is your child learning about in STAR this term?

Year 1	What were holidays like in the past?
Year 2	What are different parts of the world like?
Year 3	Who were the Ancient Greeks?
Year 4	Who was Tutankhamun and how do we know about him?
Year 5	Where should you visit in Europe? Is it the same as the UK?
Year 6	How has Swanscombe evolved over time?

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 and the winning team.

Our pupils really are champions at Craylands!



Hungry C	Caleb	Wilson	Maisie
Rainbow Fish	Nancy	Walliams	Tulisa
Elmer	Adam	Simon	Aran
Funnybones	Roxanne	Horowitz	Towobola/ Eva C
Gruffalo	Khalid	Fine	Finley
Stickman	Thibishna	Morpurgo	Callum
Dahl	Brody	Rauf	Emileigh

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

Hungry C	Harrison	Wilson	Bertie
Rainbow Fish	Muaaz	Walliams	Lola
Elmer	Poppy	Simon	Archie
Funnybones	Hugo	Fine	Whole class
Gruffalo	Henry	Horowitz	Whole class
Stickman	Briony	Morpurgo	Reggie
Dahl	Mia Rose	Rauf	Grishiga



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



Morpurgo Class