



The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 5 Week 4

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Dear Parents/Carers,

The sun has made a welcome appearance this week and it's certainly a sign that this summer may be a hot one!

Water bottles

As it is getting hotter, a reminder to send your child in with a water bottle; bottles must only be filled with water please unless there is a valid medical reason that has been discussed with staff. We can not allow anything other than water in the bottles due to allergies etc Any bottle that does not have water in it, is stored away from the other children's bottles. We are happy for juice to be sent in as part of packed lunches.

KS2 SATS

Next week, the Year 6 children will be taking part in their SATS assessments. As explained in the letter sent earlier in the week, it is imperative that the children are in school every day and on time. We are asking for the Year 6 children to come in through the front door between 8.15 and 8.30 so that they can be settled before the assessments start. Please give us as much notice as possible if your child is ill for any reason so that we can look at whether we can rearrange the assessment for another time. We wish them all the very best in their assessments next week...make sure they have plenty of rest over the weekend.

Parental behaviour

A polite reminder about parental behaviour when on and around the school site. Parents/carers **MUST NOT** shout, make threats and speak to each other or other children aggressively on or around the school premises. I would advise any inappropriate conduct to be reported to the police.

Reading mornings

I will be reviewing the way in which reading mornings take place after a number of issues that have arisen this week; we place trust in parents that when you come into school, you will behave in a manner that is expected and acceptable; I can only have parents/carers in school if I know that the children and staff feel safe and are safe.

Driving around school

You will have seen my earlier letter about the car that drove around the wrong way round a roundabout. Last night, I was informed a Year 1 child was being taken home on the back of a moped. This simply is not safe for the child, just as the roundabout driver was not. Parents/carers who see such behaviour should report this to the police as they are police matters; the school can encourage parents to behave in an appropriate manner but have limited power.

Before and after school

Children **MUST NOT** ride scooters/bikes on the premises; also children **MUST NOT** go on the school field currently.

Important dates

w/c 13/5	Y6 SATS—ALL Y6 MUST BE IN SCHOOL
17/5	School Disco
21/5	Y1FB parents eve.
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+23/7	INSET DAYS
2+3/9	INSET DAYS
4/9/24	Pupils return for T1

Attendance/Absence

If your child is not going to be in school please email: attendance@craylands.kent.sch.uk as soon as possible

Gareth Johnson

Today we were visited by local MP Gareth Johnson. I was able to show him around the school alongside our head students and he kindly spent some time with the school council answering their questions.

I'd like to thank him for his visit today.

Hope you have an enjoyable weekend in the sun—Mr Hiscock

Dates for your diary

Date	Event
13/5 – 16/5	Year 6 SATS week
17/5	PTA School Disco
21/5	11+ briefing for Y5 parents at 3.30pm
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	<p>Sports day KS2 a.m. Ebbsfleet Secondary School (timings/arrangements t.b.c.)</p> <p>EYFS/KS1 p.m.—Craylands (specific times sent out closer to time)</p>
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	<p>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.</p>
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**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



JOIN THE JUNIOR PARKRUN FAMILY

WALK, JOG, RUN, VOLUNTEER

or simply come and watch - it's up to you!

FAMILY-FRIENDLY 2K EVENTS

Every Sunday morning

FOR 4-14 YEAR OLDS

Adults can join in with the kids too!

EVERYONE WELCOME

Walk, jog, run, hop, skip or jump - it's up to you!

FREE & EASY TO TAKE PART

No special kit needed - wear whatever you like

HAVE FUN BEING ACTIVE

Share high fives and big smiles!

MAKE FRIENDS

Meet lots of new people

LEARN NEW SKILLS

Kids can volunteer in lots of roles

FEEL HAPPY AND PROUD

Try your best and celebrate your achievements

*"We all do it together as a family. The volunteers are really nice,
it's fun and you can walk if you want to!"*



Register at [parkrun.com](https://www.parkrun.com)

and head down to your local junior parkrun event!

notes:

SWANSCOMBE HERITAGE PARK
SUNDAYS - 8:50AM



A parent or guardian accompanies under 11s to and from the event



For children aged 4 to 14

THE JUNIOR PARKRUN CODE



Parents and guardians can take part too



Please pay attention to the pre-run briefing



Respect the park and other park users



Let children walk, jog, hop, skip and run for fun!



No dogs allowed



Only children to enter the finish funnel



No barcode, no time, no exception



Thank the amazing volunteers!

#loveparkrun



www.parkrun.com

Better Points Challenge

We've made it to the end of week two of the 'Let's Clean Up the School Run' challenge!

It's great to see the number of registrations and activities beginning to grow. There is still plenty of time to get involved in the challenge and make your way up the leaderboard, with the challenge open until the summer holidays!

All staff and families need to do is download the BetterPoints app to start tracking activity during school drop off and pick up time – walking, wheeling, cycling and scooting all counts.

Don't forget, every school has an equal chance of winning one of the great prizes for the school community. Have a look at the [Histrionics website](#) – our first prize - for more information about the fantastic productions they deliver.

Below is the leaderboard as of the end of week 2 - but it is changing every day! Please share this with your staff and families and do let us know if you would like any more promotional materials to support the challenge and to encourage parent and student participation.



EYFS NEWS



The children have had a short, busy and hot week. We would like to reassure you that the children have access to their water bottles all day long and are actively encouraged to hydrate. We also refill their bottles as necessary throughout the day so please do not be alarmed if they come home with an almost full bottle as it has most likely been refilled.

Time now to talk sunscreen policy; it is very important to stay safe in the sun in particular when outdoor learning is a huge part of reception class. We are not permitted to apply sunscreen to the children therefore you are expected to put sunscreen on your own children before coming into school (there are some very good once a day creams out there). You may also send in named personal sunscreen that we shall keep in the class cupboard for the children to top up themselves under supervision at lunchtimes.

Please could you also provide your child with a named sun hat. We do not want sunglasses unless prescribed.

Thank you for your support.



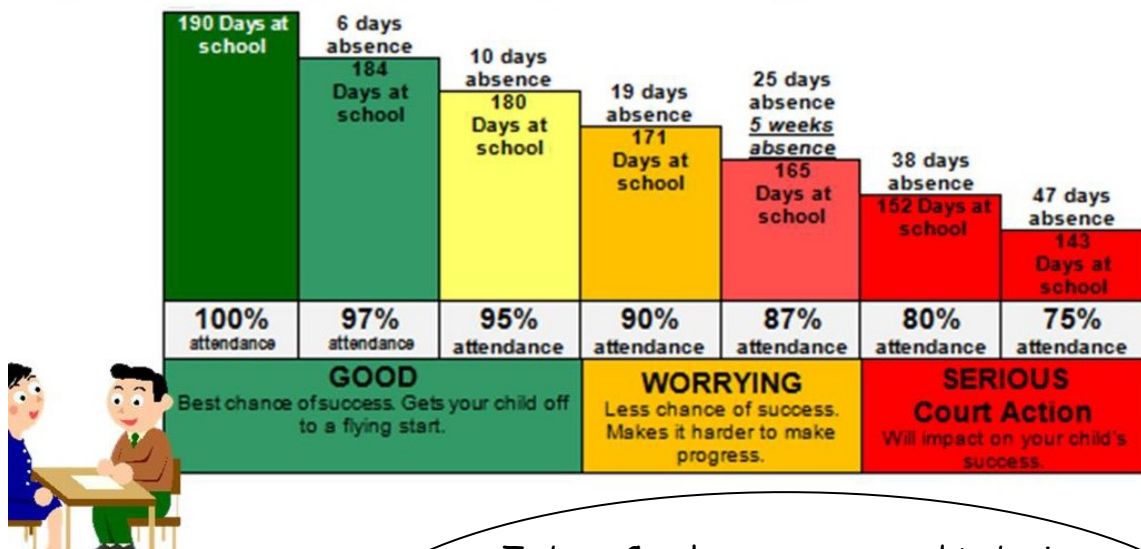
Achievements outside of school...

Jaxon (Y3) had an amazing experience at his Fulham signing.

He started off in the owners lounge (which was extremely nice) with a presentation about how privileged he should feel to wear the Fulham shirt.

Then he had some good food, then had a stadium tour to which he had his personalised shirt waiting for him in the first team changing room. He signed his contract shortly after. Exciting times ahead Jaxon!

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	97.5%	3
Funnybones	97.5%	3
Gruffalo	94.5%	3
Stickman	92.5%	5
Dahl	95.0%	3
Wilson	94.1%	4
Simon	96.7%	2
Walliams	97.8%	3
Fine	97.9%	3
Horowitz	93.9%	5
Morpurgo	99.1%	2
Rauf	94.1%	7

WELL DONE TO.....

Morpurgo Class for having the highest attendance this week

Times Tables Rockstars

Last weeks results...	This week's battles.....
<p>Wilson boys won!</p> <p>Rauf girls won!</p> <p>Morpurgo girls won!</p> <p>Horowitz boys won!</p> <p>Fine boys won!</p> <p>Walliams boys won!</p> <p>Gruffalo boys won!</p> <p>Stickman boys won!</p> <p>Simon girls won!</p> <p>Dahl boys won!</p>	<p>Year 2</p> <p>Vs</p> <p>Year 3</p> <p>Vs</p> <p>Year 4</p> <p>Vs</p> <p>Year 5</p> <p>No year 6 due to SATS</p>

TOP 3 PLAYERS IN EACH YEAR

<p>Hungry Caterpillars Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played</p> <p>Ethan-Andrew Kirsty Hiya</p>	<p>Rainbow Fish Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played</p> <p>Martyna Unity Florence</p>	<p>Funnybones Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played</p> <p>Nahil Benjamin Jessica</p>	<p>Elmer Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played</p> <p>Libby Poppy Morire</p>	<p>Stickman Bentley Teddy Harry Sofia Aniya Kayleigh-Olive</p>	<p>Gruffalo Dylan Rhiaan Khalid Jessica Olivia Jiya</p>	<p>Dahl Vakariss Theo Arlind Eva W</p>
<p>Wilson Bertie Matthew Elliot Ayla Emilia Elsie</p>	<p>Simon Jovel Danny Daniel Angela Inika Niamh</p>	<p>Walliams Alfie Alexander Harry P Olivia Emilija Lola</p>	<p>Horowitz Alexander Harrison Ewen Selina Safia Eva C</p>	<p>Fine Jude Harry Felipe Saule Helena Harmony</p>	<p>Rauf Reggie S Kieren Endri Isabel Grishiga Heritage</p>	<p>Morpurgo Naitik Arion Nathan Jessica Eva P Amelie</p>

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 Freddie Wilson Demi
Rainbow Fish Albie Walliams Tyler
Elmer Riley Simon Alfie
Funnybones Jayden Horowitz Alex
Gruffalo Michael Fine Oliver
Stickman Jack Morpurgo George
Dahl Elianna/
Dylan Rauf Grace

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

Hungry C	Kirsty	Wilson	Elsie
Rainbow Fish	Rico	Walliams	Harry P
Elmer	Morire	Simon	Evie
Funnybones	Annabelle	Fine	Stanlietta
Gruffalo	Zaynab	Horowitz	Kathryn & Libby
Stickman	A'Driel	Morpurgo	Janae
Dahl	Zayan	Rauf	Reggie S



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



Morpurgo Class