



# The Craylands School Newsletter

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Term 5 Week 5

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Dear Parents/Carers,

The sunshine has turned to rain as I write this....hopefully it makes a reappearance soon!

## Year 6 SATS

This week, the children in Y6 have been taking part in the KS2 SATS assessments. These are statutory assessments in reading, maths, spelling and punctuation/grammar. The purpose of them is to assess the children's knowledge and understanding in these areas from Year 3 up to Year 6. The children have shown what incredible Craylearners they are—they have made the effort to come in a little earlier each day, taken risks when they have not been sure of an answer, not worried if they have found things tricky or not completed an assessment. We must say that some of the assessments were very tricky this year; this is reflected in comments made by those in education on social media. Whatever the outcomes, we know how hard the children have worked over their time at Craylands and are incredibly proud of them all. Well done Year 6!

## Vaping/Smoking

I can't be quite sure but I believe I saw a puff of smoke/vape fumes rising into the air from the KS2 playground at some point this week, but was unable to see where/who it came from. Please ensure that you are NOT smoking or using vapes on school premises. Also, could I ask you to consider where you are smoking/vaping in the local area, in particular if I could ask you to avoid doing this by the school gates as it is unfair for our children and their families to walk through this to and from school. Thank you in advance for your anticipated co-operation and understanding.

## Reading mornings

Due to a number of other assessments being carried out in early June I will be postponing the reading mornings for Years 1-6 next term. I will then look at how I would like to run these going forward next year.

## Gareth Johnson visit

Last Friday, Gareth Johnson, local MP, visited the school. He toured the school and was impressed with the outside facilities that we have. He commented that the school has a happy atmosphere which is great considering our vision statement of 'happy together, safe together, learning together'.

We took the opportunity to ask the School Council to grill Mr Johnson whilst he was here and they asked him questions ranging from why he wanted to be an MP to what is happening with the road closure on Galley Hill. I was so impressed with the way that they presented themselves—a real credit to our school. Thank you School Council!

## Year 4 trip

Today, the Year 4 children visited Kent Life. Whilst there they are taking part in a number of workshops based around the Romans; this is to support the learning they have carried out in history this term.

## Important dates

17/5	School Disco
21/5	Y1FB parents eve
21/5 3.30pm	11+ briefing for Y5 parents
24/5	Non Uniform day Rainbow Tombola do- nations
24/5	Term 5 ends
3/6	Term 6 starts
11/6	Year 4 & 5 reading morning CANCELLED
12/6	Year 3 & 6 reading morning CANCELLED
13/6	Year 1 & 2 reading morning CANCELLED
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
19/7	Last day of term
22+23/ 7	INSET DAYS
2+3/9	INSET DAYS

School Disco  
Please DO NOT  
ALLOW your child to  
bring their mobile  
phone to the disco this  
evening unless they  
need it due to walking  
home, in which case  
they MUST hand it in  
before it starts.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend—Mr Hiscock

# Dates for your diary

Date	Event
17/5	PTA School Disco
21/5	Funnybones parents evening
21/5	11+ briefing for Y5 parents at 3.30pm
24/5	Non Uniform Day
11/6/24	Year 4 and 5 reading morning CANCELLED
12/6/24	Year 3 and 6 reading morning CANCELLED
13/6/24	Year 1 and 2 reading morning CANCELLED
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
1/9	INSET DAY
2/9	INSET DAY



FRIENDS OF CRAYLANDS PTA

# RAINBOW RAFFLE

NON-UNIFORM DAY

FRIDAY 24TH MAY

FOR A DONATION OF A COLOURED  
ITEM FOR OUR RAINBOW RAFFLE!

EACH YEAR GROUP HAS THEIR OWN COLOUR, WHICH IS SHOWN BELOW.

ANY DONATIONS MATCHING THAT COLOUR ARE WELCOME  
EG SWEETS, BISCUITS, TEABAGS, CANDLES, SHOWER GEL, PASTA,  
ALCOHOL ETC.





**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](http://www.parkrun.com)

# EYFS NEWS



Lots of excitement in the room this week as some of the butterflies have emerged. They are now feeding on sweet oranges, perfect timing to be re-released next week before half term.

We are currently doing a lot of work around our emotions and we have introduced the school Zones of Regulation which are used daily in Y1 - Y6. Up to now we have checked in daily as happy and sad using the Colour Monster; to be ready for Year 1, the children are extending their learning by identifying further feelings and ensuring that they are feeling green and ready to learn.

This is a useful clip to watch with your child to support this learning.

[Zones Of Regulation For Kids - Secrets to a Growth Mindset: Episode 1](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Rk7sAJvaoo)

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(youtube.com)

Have a lovely weekend.



## Achievements outside of school...

Tilly (Y4) alongside her under 10 Ebbsfleet United team mates played in 2 football tournaments this weekend.

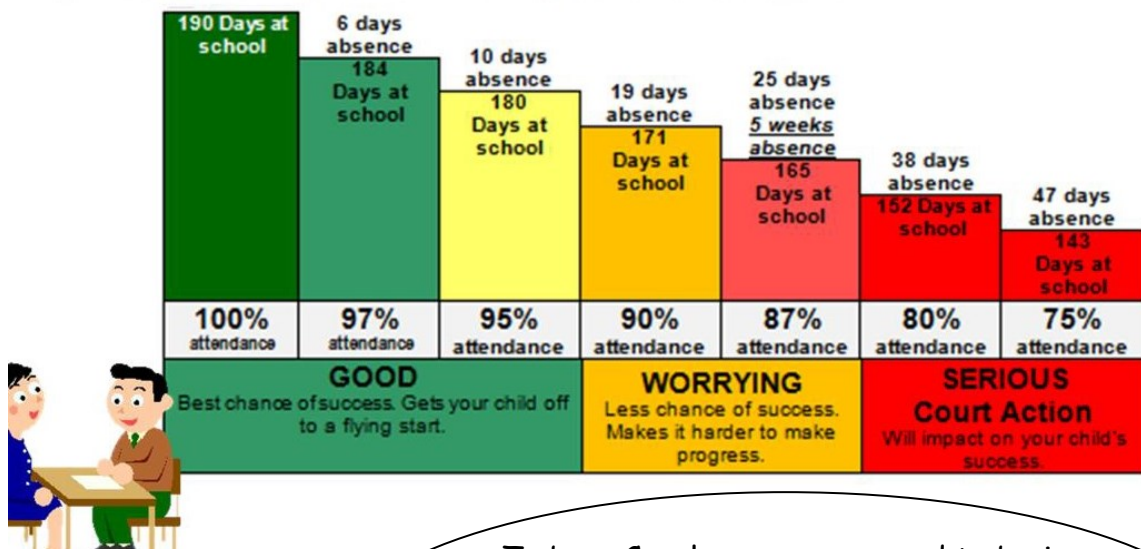
Saturday the girls won the Sussex sixes tournament in Uckfield near Brighton and on Sunday played at Salisbury F.C stadium in a tournament against 13 other teams winning the tournament with 32 goals scored and 0 goals conceded. Tilly plays in goal for her team and over the weekend alongside her team contributed to 24/25 clean sheets. They play again this Friday evening in Tonbridge at the Rustall floodlight tournament looking to repeat the success of the weekend. ☐

Emilija in Year 4 Walliams class won her 1st Gold medal for individual combat Karate known as Kumate. She competed in 4 rounds to successfully achieve first place. Over the past year she has moved from bronze, silver and now gold.

Macen (Y6) and team won the international Cup winning 3-1 in the final against Juventus. Throughout the tournament he played, Man City, Anderlecht, Feyenoord, Yokohama Mariano's (from Japan) Barnsley, Juventus and Genk. Well done Macen!



# 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	99.3%	2
Funnybones	91.3%	6
Gruffalo	97.3%	5
Stickman	95.0%	4
Dahl	97.3%	4
Wilson	95.6%	7
Simon	96.1%	3
Walliams	100%	0
Fine	99.3%	1
Horowitz	89.6%	8
Morpurgo	100%	0
Rauf	98.6%	2

WELL DONE TO.....

Walliams and Morpurgo Class for having perfect attendance this week



# Times Tables Rockstars

<i>Last weeks results...</i>		<i>This week's battles.....</i>	
1	Year 4	32,186	
2	Year 5	29,651	
3	Year 2	19,857	
4	Year 3	7,500	
<p><i>Well done year 4!</i></p>		<p><i>Gruffalo vs Stickman</i>  <i>Dahl vs Wilson</i>  <i>Walliams vs Simon</i>  <i>Horowitz vs Fine</i>  <i>Rauf vs Morpurgo</i></p>	

## TOP 3 PLAYERS IN EACH YEAR

<b>Hungry Caterpillars</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played Ethan- Andrew Hiya Kirsty	<b>Rainbow Fish</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played Logan Dave Florence	<b>Funnybones</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played Amir Nahil Conor	<b>Elmer</b> Top 3 players on Numbots Minutes played Morire Adam Holly		Year 2 Dylan Riaan Gabriel	
Year 3 Matthew Arlind Tommy		Year 4 Alexander Angela Evie G		Year 5 Alexander Callum Felipe		

# 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	Luna	Wilson	Louis
Rainbow Fish	Unity	Walliams	Evie G
Elmer	Enzo	Simon	Jovel
Funnybones	Archie E	Horowitz	Selina
Gruffalo	Lenny	Fine	Savannah
Stickman	Taylor	Morpurgo	Whole class
Dahl	Mia-Rose	Rauf	Whole class

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

Hungry C	Charlie	Wilson	Matthew
Rainbow Fish	Sara	Walliams	Evie C
Elmer	Nellie	Simon	Oliver
Funnybones	Mylah	Fine	Callum
Gruffalo	Fern	Horowitz	Adam B
Stickman	Kennady	Morpurgo	Whole class
Dahl	Peggie	Rauf	Whole class



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



Walliams and Morpurgo Class