



Crabtree Junior School

2nd October 2015

The blogs

In addition to this newsletter, the blogs are a primary source of information from the teachers. They are updated at least fortnightly. Click on your child's year group to find out more.

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Weekly timetables

If you would like to see the weekly lesson plan for your child's class, please visit the school website at:
http://www.crabtreejm.herts.sch.uk/teaching_learning/timetables.html

**This term's school value is
"Cooperation"**

Diary Reminders

Saturday 3rd October
PA Family Fun Day

From the Headteacher

Dear Parents

Congratulations to our new House Captains from Year 6, they are:

Annie - Neptune

Kit - Saturn

Levi - Jupiter

Lauren - Mars

Nominated charities for the year are:

Neptune - Dogs Trust

Saturn - Keech Hospice Care

Jupiter - Children in Need

Mars - Great Ormond Street

Next Friday we have our Harvest Assembly. We have decided, once again, to support the 'Share' scheme; the Harpenden based food bank. Please can your child bring to school a non-perishable item for the assembly.

A 'big' thank you in anticipation.

Mr Pattrick

Head teacher

E-Safety thought of the Week:

"The issue isn't about reducing children's access. Adults need to be modelling a healthy balance and stop themselves constantly checking their devices for email and texts."

School Gates

The 'New Joiners Information Booklet' states: 'The school gates are opened at 8.45am. In the interests of safety, pupils should not be in the playground before 8.45am'.

We understand that leaving the gates to be opened until this time can cause concerns and we will now open the gates at 8.40am. A member of staff will be on duty from this time to supervise the children until the school bell rings; however can we please remind parents of children in Years 3 & 4 that an adult must see the children safely into class. Please ensure that your child does not arrive before 8.40am. Thank you.

National Walk to School Week

Next week is 'National Walk to School' week. As a school we would encourage all the children to participate in this initiative, travelling to school without the means of a car. If children live too far to walk the whole way, then please consider parking a little further away than usual and walking the last five or ten minutes of your journey.

We will be reinstating the Crabtree Crocodile where staff will meet children at Gilpin Green at 8.30am next Thursday 8th October to walk to school.

Throughout the week, classes will be keeping a tally of how many children are walking to school. For each child who walks, a sticker will be added to a class chart- hopefully across the week every class will be able to 'walk their way' around Hertfordshire.

Years 3 and 4 have been set a homework activity linked to Walk to School week and we look forward to seeing their pictures of an inspiring walk to school!

Tuck Shop

Recently the Tuck Shop Team has been announced. On the 17th October the Crabtree pupils will be able to purchase stock from our trolley from Tuesday to Friday. Please remind your children to keep their money in their trays in a named purse or bag. The maximum that can be brought in is £1. The team will make sure our customers get the right change and germ free food.

Our rota will change termly, but for this term Year 6s are Tuesday, Year 5s Wednesday, Year 4s Thursday and Fridays are Year 3s.

If you don't know our menu, it'll be up inside classrooms with the prices, along with on our trolley.

Sincerely

The Tuck Shop Team

P.S. We don't accept tips

Music

Choir

We had another terrific sing at this week's choir practice with a good number of additional voices joining us. Any more singers would be very welcome on Wednesdays at 8.10am in the hall. What a great start to the day!

Performance Platforms

There will be two of these informal lunch-time concerts this term:

Monday 19 October

Monday 30 November

They are held in the hall, 12.30 - 1.00pm. Any instrumentalist or singer who would like to perform should sign-up on the sheet on the Pupil Information

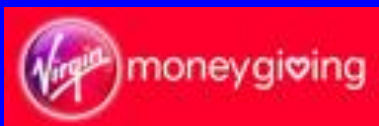
School letters

Please ask the School Office if you require a paper copy

PA Family Fun Day
Dinner Bills

Flyers

Glaze Time



Click on the WisePay logo for online school payments; or the Spend and Raise logo below to raise funds for the PA when you shop online.



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Notice Board. These little concerts are a great opportunity to perform to a friendly audience of specially invited friends - performers will be given 4 invitations to distribute. Parents are warmly welcome to attend.

Forms to be returned to the Office

The last remaining missing forms were sent home with children this week. Could you please ensure that these are completed and returned to the office on Monday.

Lost Property

We are still finding cardigans and jumpers left around the school with no names in. We are therefore unable to return these to their owners and they end up in the lost property bin. Could you please ensure all items are named, including lunchboxes and water bottles. Thank you.

Dinner Money

Dinner money bills are coming home today, please pay as soon as possible. Our preferred payment method is by WisePay. Thank you.

Midday Supervisors required

We are presently recruiting for midday supervisors to work either two days a week or every day for approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes.

If you are interested in this role or know of anyone in the local community who would like this job please contact the office.

National Children's Book Week

This years' National Children's book week takes place on the 12th – 16th October and to celebrate we will be asking the children to come into school on Friday 16th October dressed as their favourite Roald Dahl character.

School Uniform Shop

Our supplier is very busy at the moment and we are currently waiting for stock ordered near the beginning of term.

All outstanding orders will be fulfilled as soon as the stock comes in and no cheques will be cashed until the order is completed - we hope this will be by the 9th October.

We're sorry for any inconvenience caused.

From the Parents' Association

Family Fun Event, THIS Saturday 3 October – FREE for Crabtree Folk

We hope to see you on Saturday for family fun and games on the field from 4-6 – see the attached flyer for a full list of the games and activities.

Can you donate a raffle prize?

We are looking for a selection of raffle prizes for the Fireworks, and also for the Christmas Fayre later this term. Do you run a local business which could provide a voucher, or would you be able to donate a prize that would appeal to Crabtree parents or children? We would be very grateful for any donations, if you can help please email chloeandclaudio@yahoo.co.uk

Crabtree Fabric Collection

If you are getting rid of old clothing then please consider donating to the Crabtree Fabric Collection on Friday 16 October. This is a great way to clear out your cupboards and make some money for the schools.

Stars of the Week



Dreams & Goals – Celebrating someone who works well with a partner or group.

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| Cedar | Danny , for working well with his partner in his Computing lesson on a shared project. |
| Rowan | George , for continually working well with everyone in the class and always doing his best. |
| Ash | Lucy , for being a leading light in her maths group. |
| Birch | Owen and Milo , for a brilliant maths partnership this week. |
| Teak | Elliott , for working particularly well during our Science investigation. |
| Redwood | Noah , for being a supportive learning partner and helping to coordinate his group during a Science investigation. . |
| Elm | Louis , for being a very supportive team mate no matter who he is working with. |
| Elder | Felix , for being a superb 'chair' in our school council meeting. |

For further information about events at Crabtree Junior School – including term dates and copies of previous newsletters – please visit the school website at www.crabtreejm.herts.sch.uk

If you have any comments on the newsletter or items for the Noticeboard, please contact the School Office.

