



# Crabtree Junior School

4<sup>th</sup> March 2016

## 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 current weekly 'overview' Literacy and mathematics plan for your child's class, please visit the school website at:

[http://www.crabtreejm.herts.sch.uk/teaching\\_learning/timetables.html](http://www.crabtreejm.herts.sch.uk/teaching_learning/timetables.html)

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

## Diary Reminders

### Mon 7<sup>th</sup> March

12.30pm Performance Platform

Year 6 Football – Away

### Weds 9<sup>th</sup> March

Spring Festival

### Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March

9.10am Year 5 Assembly

Year 6 Netball - Away

*Dear Parents,*

*A big thank you to all Year 3 pupils and staff for a very informative and humorous assembly this morning. The suggestion, from the pupils, that I may still be here in 2045 is definitely beyond my sell by date!*

### Field Project

*Next Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March from 6:00pm – 7:00pm, we will be having our first project meeting at the Junior school. Our aim is to consider the 'basic' plans that we now have, further planning development needs and discuss fund raising opportunities.*

*If you would like to attend this meeting, please do come along and share your thoughts.*

### E-Safety

*Please find below an e-safety link that you will find useful for primary age children and beyond.*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-nMUbHuffO8>

Ian Pattrick Headteacher

## P.E

On Thursday we went to Hertfordshire Sports Village to take part in the School Games Level 2 competition. We competed against 5 other schools for the opportunity to represent Harpenden District in the County round of the Indoor athletics. The children and I were very nervous as we knew Crabtree had always won this event so the pressure was on! We started well with both the boys and the girls teams winning the obstacle races. All the children were excellent athletes demonstrating great speed and skill in their chosen events.

It was very close in some of the races and we were very uncertain as

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Raring 2 Go

to the final outcome when we sat down for the results. The girls' results were called out first and it was great to hear we had come 2nd but we were slightly disappointed that we had missed out on winning by 3 points. Next the boys results and it was fantastic to hear that we had won! Then due to such great results from all the children we won the overall trophy. A fabulous morning of athletics! The boys now go on to the County final on Tuesday 22nd March so we wish them luck. A big thank you to all the parents for their support and especially my two admin helpers Mrs Moody and Mrs Grimes.



## Road Safety

We have yet again received complaints from both parents and neighbours about the inconsiderate parking and road safety of parents dropping off and collecting their children from both the Crabtree Schools.

There are a minority of parents who continue to park on the double yellow lines making it very difficult, and unsafe, for those who are crossing the road. Earlier this week we were shocked to hear an account of intimidating behaviour displayed when a parent was asked to move their car to a more appropriate parking space.

We are also witnessing more and more parents walking their children through the car park. Please can we ask you again to walk around the school on the footpaths available rather than cutting corners through the car park.

## Music

Reminder: Performance Platform next Monday 7th March. 12.30 pm. It will finish by 1.00. Parents welcome.

## World Book Day – Thursday 3rd March

The whole school took part in yesterday's World Book Day (even Mr Patrick dressed up!!). The costumes were fantastic, congratulations to the following children who won a £5 voucher for the book fair for the 'best costume' for their year group:

Year 3 – Kanishk



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## E-Flyers:

Linguafanatics – French Soirée

Lambing Weekend

Nutrition Know How for Parents

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Year 4 – Ben G

Year 5 – Ben C

Year 6 – Ewan A



## Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

We are again collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers for exciting new sports equipment. This year, whenever you shop in a Sainsbury's Supermarket, you will receive one voucher for every £10 you spend. All vouchers earned in a transaction will be issued on a single piece of paper. In Local stores, you will still receive 1 voucher for every £5 spent. Please send your vouchers into the office via the register or pop them in the collection box in reception.

## Easter Holiday Club at Crabtree Infants' - 'School's Out'

Crabtree Infants' will be running a new holiday club starting during the Easter break called 'School's Out'. This is being run by members of the Infant school staff and is open to children aged 4 – 11. The club will run from 8am - 6pm every day during the Easter holiday with an option of a shorter 9am - 3pm time slot. A booking form is attached; please return this to the Infant school office.

If you wish to book at this stage and make the payment nearer the time, please do so, this will allow the club staff to plan their staff ratios in good time. Have a look at their website <http://schoolisoutclub.weebly.com/> and like them on Facebook 'School's out holiday club'.

From the Parents' Association

## Quiz Night- 1 Table Left!

Just one table is still up for grabs for the Crabtree Quiz next Saturday 12 March. Please contact [jane.sims2@googlemail.com](mailto:jane.sims2@googlemail.com) if you are interested in getting a team of 8-10 people together. The cost is £12.50 per person and includes the quiz, a hot meal and voluntary £5 donation. There is a cash bar on the night, so please no BYO. Quizzers, the doors of the juniors' school hall open at 7:30pm and questions start at 7:45pm. Good luck!

## Help Make the Summer Fayre Great

The PA is already planning for another fantastic Crabtree Summer Fayre. Can you help by taking on one of these specific roles - joining the sponsorship team, helping with the hog or coordinating the mega raffle? Get involved to make this event for the school a success. Contact [findindhu@yahoo.com](mailto:findindhu@yahoo.com) to find out more.

## Stars of the Week



### *Dreams & Goals – People who have made a healthy choice.*

<b>Cedar</b>	<b>Amelie</b> , for enjoying a healthy packed lunch box.
<b>Rowan</b>	<b>Ivo</b> , for understanding the importance of a healthy balanced diet.
<b>Ash</b>	<b>Kaan</b> , for making healthy choices for himself in work and play. Well done.
<b>Birch</b>	<b>Maddie</b> , for excellent contributions in Jigsaw lessons about healthy eating.
<b>Teak</b>	<b>Cameron T</b> , for spicing up his English diet with some delicious French words. Très Bien!
<b>Redwood</b>	<b>Louis H</b> , for fantastic contributions during our Jigsaw levels. He offers thoughtful ideas on how to have a healthy lifestyle and avoid risky behaviours.
<b>Elm</b>	<b>Arthur</b> , for following a healthy lifestyle and making healthy choices.
<b>Elder</b>	<b>Will P</b> , for turning out to be one of healthiest boys in Elder!

## Sports Champions

**Sophie Ledger**, for returning to gymnastics after her injury and giving great commitment and skills to the gym display.

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](http://www.crabtreejm.herts.sch.uk)

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