



# Crabtree Junior School

07<sup>th</sup> September 2018

## 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.

**Year  
3**

**Year  
4**

**Year  
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**Year  
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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 week's school value is:**

**"Responsibility"**

### Diary Reminders

#### **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

Yr 4 – Swimming Starts

All clubs start

3:20pm – Yr 4 Meet the Teacher

#### **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September**

3:20pm – Yr 3 Meet the Teacher

#### **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

3:20pm – Yr 6 Meet the Teacher

#### **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

3:20pm – Yr 5 Meet the Teacher

Dear Parents & Carers

What an amazing start to the new year at Crabtree Junior School! It has been fantastic to see the children throw themselves back into school life. We have had several visitors to the school this week and they all commented on the way in which the children had jumped straight back into the school routines and were participating in their learning with such enthusiasm. They said it was a clear indication of how happy and safe the children felt at the school and a credit to all the staff. They also noticed the children's superb manners and the happy atmosphere around the school. I have to admit I felt extremely proud!

The children have already shown what wonderful members of the school community they are and I am very much looking forward to seeing them all continue to enjoy all areas of school life as we move through this term.

I would like to thank all the staff who have been busy during the holiday preparing the classrooms and getting ready to teach your children. We are very lucky to have such an amazing staff team.

Please have a good look at the diary dates which were emailed to you this week. This is a busy term!

I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming 'Meet The Teacher' sessions next week.



Collecting the fruit and vegetables from the school garden.



Year 6 supporting Year 3 with extra reading sessions.

Miss E Simmons

Head of School

## School Letters

Diary Dates  
PA News  
SGP Update  
Crabtree gets Gold

## Flyers sent home

Taekwondo Kids  
Helen O'Grady Drama  
Primary Times  
Starlight Kids Musical Theatre

## School Uniform Shop

Friday 8.50am – 9.30am

21 Sept  
5 Oct  
19 Oct  
9 Nov  
30 No  
14 Dec

## Crabtree Community Noticeboard

Please note that these notices are provided as a community service and Crabtree Junior does not take responsibility for or seek to endorse any of the advertisements printed in this section.

## E-Flyers

Menace Sports – Street  
Dance

Keystone Talks

Starlight Kids Musical Theatre

## **Growth Mindset**

This week your children have been learning about developing a 'Growth Mindset'. This is something we are keen to introduce throughout the school and links nicely to our 'Attitudes to Learning'.

Why not ask your children what they have learnt. Do you know the difference between a 'Fixed' and 'Growth' Mindset?



## **Diary Dates**

Dates for the Autumn Term were e:mailed home earlier this week, a copy is also attached to the newsletter.

## **PA Pamper Night**

Please note this was included in the diary dates but is no longer taking place, the PA hope to organise this later in the year.

## **Car Park**

Please remember that children are not allowed in the staff car park at any time. There have been several occasions this week where children, and parents, were nearly hit as staff entered the car park in the morning. The path for the Breakfast and After School club is found at the entrance to the Infant School.

## **Climbing Frame and Field**

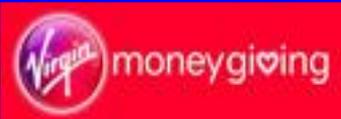
These areas are both out of bounds before and after school. Children are not permitted to play in either area unless supervised by a member of staff during the school day. We appreciate your support in keeping all children away from these areas.

## **Help needed!**

We are in the process of updating our school website and would like to include lots of photos showcasing our wonderful school. Do you, or anyone you know, have a passion for photography and the skills to take some fabulous photos? If so, please contact the school office.

## **Triathlon**

During the summer, Will H took on a Triathlon to raise money for an electric wheelchair. Will had a fantastic group of supporters who took part alongside him, including his Super Sister Olivia, Super Buddy Ace and Super Buddy Ben! All the children did extremely well and the whole school community is very proud. If you would like to support Will more information can be found on his just giving page [https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/willswonderwheels?utm\\_term=JXkQZy4Q8](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/willswonderwheels?utm_term=JXkQZy4Q8)



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### School's Out, October Half Term Holiday Club

#### Monday 29th October – Friday 2nd November 2018

School's Out Holiday Club at Crabtree Infants' School is now open for October Half Term bookings. There are two choices of session available; 8am to 6pm (£30 per child) or 8.45am to 3.15pm (£25 per child). You will receive a 5% discount for two or more bookings on the same date. As well as our usual cooking, arts, crafts, sport, music activities etc, we also have the following exciting activities taking place:

Apex 360 Sports, every day 10am to 4pm: professional coaches are joining us to deliver team building games and a variety of sports

Kids Yoga, every morning 8.30am to 9.30am: will be providing kids yoga classes that promote and maintain strength and flexibility as well as creativity and kindness to others

All the activities are included in our club price and are optional, so the children can join in if and when they like. Please do not hesitate to contact School's Out on [schoolisout@outlook.com](mailto:schoolisout@outlook.com) or call 07561 330413 if you have any queries.

#### The Library Will Reopen from Monday the 10th of September.

##### Opening Times

The library is located in the porta-cabin outside the year 3 classrooms.

We are open on Monday and Thursday lunchtimes for children to independently come and choose books to borrow.

We are also open before school on a Wednesday and Friday morning and you are most welcome to come in with your child. It's warm in winter and cool in summer.

If your child does not feel confident to use the library please ask them to come and see the librarians. It's very easy to find and borrow books and we are always happy to show new users around.

##### Loans and Lost Books

Children are welcome to take home library books to read but please remind your children that they must look after the books they borrow and remember to return them promptly by each half term holiday at the latest. We publish lists of outstanding books just before each holiday and we do charge a replacement fee for any books that are lost or badly damaged. You can identify a Crabtree library book by the "C" sticker on the spine and school stamp and barcode inside the front cover.

##### Book Donations

We are often asked if we accept book donations and we are always very grateful for appropriate fiction or non-fiction books in good condition. These can be left with the office.

### Classroom Libraries

Did you know that each classroom has over 150 library books in it, both fiction and non-fiction? We rotate these three times each year to keep the shelves exciting and interesting. These books should not be brought home but are used in classroom reading times.

### The Scholastic Book Fair returns to Crabtree in November

Just in time for buying Christmas Gifts!

We receive commission from sales at book fairs and this is used as our main source of new books for the school library. By supporting these events you help to keep the library well stocked and up to date with the latest titles. Look out for posters nearer the time.

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### Stars of the Week



Cedar	Aman for settling in so beautifully to the Junior School.
Rowan	Xavi, for settling in brilliantly and always demonstrating excellent listening!
Ash	Darya, for settling in so well this week and working so hard.
Birch	Christian, for a fantastic start to Year 4, joining in with lessons – keep it up!
Teak	Finn, for making such a great start to the year – participating well in all lessons and being a great role model.
Redwood	Thomas, for making such a positive start to Year 5 – a great class role model.
Elm	Max, for making an excellent start to the year, showing he is ready for Year 6.
Elder	Carys for being a fantastic role model for the class and giving 100% effort. Well Done!

### Sports Champion – Lower School

Josh C for outstanding running

### Sports Champion – Upper School

Ella H for supporting and inspiring another student to succeed in their running.

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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