



Crabtree Junior School

8th January 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 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 "Caring"

Diary Reminders

Wed 13th January

Yr5 Netball - Away

Thurs 14th January

Yr6 Theatre Trip

Fri 15th January

Junior Admissions
Deadline

From the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

A Happy New Year and a warm welcome back – a 'warm welcome back' it is indeed as the daffodils are nearly in full bloom outside the office window!

To add an extra layer of safe guarding to school procedures we have decided to take the specific dates of school activities from the school website. All 'specific' school dates will be sent out via e-mail or can be accessed via the school office.

Mr Pattrick

Headteacher

E-Safety thought of the Week:



School letters

Please ask the School Office if you require a paper copy

Spring Term Dates

School Mini Tennis

The Mighty Roast Dinner Day

Flyers



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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Year 6 Netball v Abbots Hill

On Wednesday the Year 6 A and B teams went to play against Abbots Hill Girls School. This is the first time Crabtree have played there and it was a lovely setting to play our first matches of 2016 even though we finished the last five minutes almost in the dark!

The A team took a little time to settle as they were playing against a very strong and quick Abbots Hill team. But by the second half there was a much more even spread of possession with Crabtree actually scoring more goals in the second half. They lost 5 – 2 with Caitlyn being named by the opposition as MVP (Most valuable player).

The B Team started strong from the first few minutes of their game and moved the ball quickly down the court to score first. They continued holding the lead throughout with Abbots Hill making lots of substitutes so our girls having to contend with marking lots of different partners, They won 6 – 2 with Georgia being named MVP.

It was a fun evening and thank you to all the parents who helped make this new fixture possible. Good Luck to the Year 5's who are playing there next week.

Music

Orchestra will resume next Monday, 3.15 - 4.15. Parts for a new piece will be handed out at the practice: please could everyone ensure that they practise it at home and go through any tricky passages with their teacher. If your child plays an instrument and would be interested in joining the orchestra then please have a word with me.

Choir will resume next Wednesday 8.10 am in the hall. New members will be warmly welcome. We shall be starting some lovely new songs.

This term's Performance Platform dates will be posted shortly.

Mr. Bishop

CRABTREE COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

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E-Flyers:

St Lukes Open Day

Park Tennis – free sessions

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Year 3 and 4- Reading comprehension

To further develop the provision of reading in Year 3 and 4 pupils will be set homework, on occasion, related to comprehension skills.

Pupils will bring home a comprehension booklet to work on; they will all be completing the same comprehension, however pupils will be directed towards the questions that develop certain skills that the teacher is working on at any one time – prediction, fact retrieval, inference, summary etc. The children will need to answer the questions in complete sentences and not one word answers.

Homework will be marked with the pupils back at school.

Year 3 & 4 Team

From the Parents' Association

Crabtree Disco

The next Crabtree Disco will take place on Friday 29 January 2016 with the normal timings of 5-6pm for the Infant children and 6.30-7.30pm for the Junior children

You can order tickets online by clicking

<http://buytickets.at/crabtreeschoolpa/39462>

We are trying out this new online booking system for school PA events and we would really appreciate it if you could test it out for us. We are particularly interested in whether it works well enough to be used for next year's Firework event so the more people who test the system the better. But you can always buy tickets via the usual methods if you'd rather – ticket request forms will follow shortly!

Crabtree PA Quiz!

Please put the Crabtree Quiz date in your diary – Saturday 12 March!

We will be sending out table booking forms before half-term but you might want to start getting your table of competitors ready.

The Quiz ticket includes a main meal and there is a cash bar to get those grey cells working.

More details will follow soon...

Do you have a way with words?

We are looking for a volunteer to take on the task of writing the weekly PA contribution for the school newsletters.

You would need to pull together the information on forthcoming events and fundraising activities and send through to the school offices by Thursday

lunchtime each week. Other members of the PA will provide you with all the info you just need to edit it together and make the fabulous PA events and activities sound enticing – not a hard job!

If you are interested or if you want to talk through what is involved please email chloeandclaudio@yahoo.co.uk

Majestic May Ball

Friday 20th May 2016 sees the return of the Crabtree Ball. Application forms for tables to follow shortly so please start considering your table as they sold out fast last time. More news to follow soon. Look forward to seeing you there.

Sam & Kat (Year 6 & 3)

Stars of the Week



Dreams & Goals – Helping others to feel welcome (joining in).

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| Cedar | Georgia , for her smiling welcome and helpful attitude to others in her own class and on the playground. |
| Rowan | Polly , for being helpful within class and her friends. She is always looking to include those around her. |
| Ash | Adam , for being a fabulous team player, inclusive, during all lessons and especially Roman Day. |
| Birch | Milo , for making Archie welcome in our class. |
| Teak | Izzy , always has a helpful attitude towards her classmates and the rest of the school community. |
| Redwood | Olivia , always goes the extra mile to help others feel welcome – whoever she is working with. She wants to make everyone feel welcome and does so with her happy and positive attitude. |
| Elm | Ruel , for working well with everyone and making all feel welcome to join in. |
| Elder | Liam , for having a fabulous start to the Spring Term. |

Sports Champions

Ellis K, for ensuring she includes everyone in a group activity looking out for people to ensure everyone is involved and happy.

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.

