



Crabtree Junior School

8th December 2017

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

This term's school value is

"Appreciation"

Diary Reminders

Mon 11th December

9.30am & 6.30pm Whole School Christmas Concert

Tues 12th December

9.15am Grandparents Tea Party

Wed 13th December

9.30am Christmas Concert

Wed 13th December

1pm Year 6 Height & Weight Measuring

Fri 15th December

Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day

Dear Parents,

Our Schools Improvement Partner spent the afternoon in school yesterday undertaking a 'standards' review. He also met with members of the senior leadership team and some of the school Governors. I am delighted to report that he has confirmed we remain a secure 'outstanding' school. My thanks go to all staff who have worked so hard this term to secure this brilliant feedback.

Year 6 Bletchley Park

This term Year 6 have been learning about WWII. Today they have been at Bletchley Park learning about the work that was carried out there during the war by the code breakers.



*Leanne Williams
Assistant Headteacher*

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School Uniform Opening Times

FRIDAYS 8.50 – 9.30

5th JANUARY
19th JANUARY
2nd FEBRUARY
23rd FEBRUARY
9th MARCH
23rd MARCH

School letters

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Dinner Bills

Year 5 School Journey

Year 6 School Journey

My After School Art Club



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Wisepay Reminders

Year 4

Roman Workshop

Verulamium Museum

Year 5

Gym Club

Year 6

Crucial Crew – St Albans Fire Station

Netball League Matches (club members only)

Gym Club

Whole School Concert

Arrangements for Monday evenings performance are as follows:

- Children should be dropped to the main entrance at 6.15pm
- Smart school uniform should be worn please
- Please be back to school for 7.30pm in readiness for the children finishing, we would appreciate your patience while we return your children safely to you. All children will come out through the main entrance.

For all performances please enter through the main entrance and ensure that you have your ticket with you which will be collected by governors that will be on the door. Thank you.

We would also ask for all performances that parents stay for the duration of the concert. It is not fair to the children if parents leave once they have seen their child.

Grandparents Tea Party

We very much look forward to welcoming Grandparents of our Year 3 children to school on Tuesday morning. If everyone could enter the school through the main entrance where we have a list of guests.

For those parents who have kindly offered to bring in cakes, a reminder that they need to be brought to the Year 3 classrooms on Tuesday morning please, clearing labelled with the ingredients. A reminder that we have a strict "no nuts" policy.

Panto

As you know on Monday 18th the school are going to see the panto at Harpenden Public Halls. Thank you to the parents that have volunteered to accompany us.

All children will require a packed lunch on that day please. We expect to be back at school by 12.45pm when children will then have lunch. They will all be getting ice-cream during the interval.

Free school meal pupils will be provided a packed lunch.

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Katherine Warrington School

SASS Christmas Theatre Workshop

FLYERS:

SASS Christmas Theatre Workshop

Contact us:

Crabtree Junior School
Crabtree Lane
Harpenden
AL5 5PU

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Year 5 & 6 Gym Club

I have extended the deadline for children to sign up for the Gym Club that starts in January. Wisepay will now close on Thursday 14 December. There are a number of children who have not yet signed up – particularly in Year 5 - and we don't want them to miss out if they would like to take part.

Year 6 Basketball at Kings School



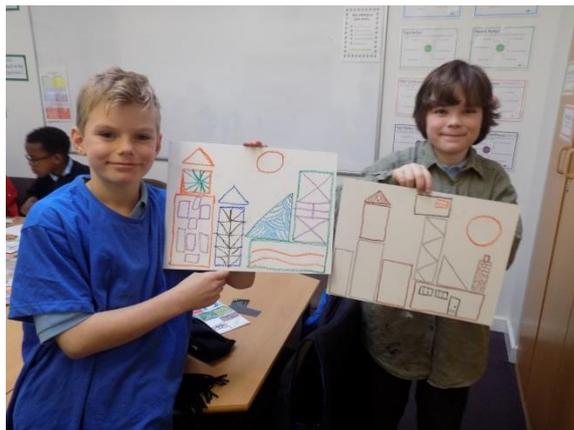
On Tuesday we took some of our basketball club member to play at Kings School on their outdoor courts. It was great to play with proper basketball rings and we quickly discovered how fast the game can be when played competitively. The team played really well and it was good to see some great layups and defending.

Art

Our Art Project is well underway with children from Year 5 currently enjoying spending 2 afternoons taking part in art lessons.

A huge thank you to the parents that are supporting this activity by volunteering their time to work with the children, it is very much appreciated.

We look forward to sharing more of the work the children have produced over the coming weeks.



Congratulations.....

to Alys who has just found out that she has a place in the National Youth Girls' Choir after auditioning in London in November. She will be singing second soprano. Well done Alys!

And to Will, Ace and Ben who competed at the Superheroes "Winters Wonderwheels" event last weekend.



Christmas Tree Donation

Croft Farm has donated our beautiful Christmas tree. They will be selling non drop trees from 4ft - 9ft throughout the festive period. Croft farm, Leasey bridge lane, Wheathampstead, AL4 8HP 01582 832071.

Just pop along or phone for more details, orders for larger trees can be taken in advance and trees can be reserved for later collection. This year they also be selling delicious free range heritage turkeys, call to reserve yours now!

From the Parents' Association

Please put these dates in your calendar and join us in support of Crabtree schools & community

January

Friday 5th – Uniform Shop Open 8.50 – 9.30

Friday 26^h - Kids Disco

Saturday 10th – PA Quiz Night

Friday 19th – Uniform Shop Open 8.50 – 9.30

A Merry Christmas Fayre! Many thanks to all those who donated, volunteered and of course all who came and had a merry time at the fayre! It's wonderful to celebrate Christmas together with Crabtree friends and raise funds to support the school. Please collect any remaining prizes and cake tin from the Junior School office. Thanks!

Christmas Shopping Challenge with EasyFundraising Have you been using EasyFundraising as you cross items of your Christmas shopping list? Most major retailers will give you a percentage of your online spending back to Crabtree – at no cost to you! Crabtree supporters earned a total of £250 last year at Christmas. Let's see if we can't top that this year! Just register at the website below and click through to do your shopping! www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/crabtreepta. We'll have a special prize for our top earner for Crabtree over the month of December!

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Stars of the Week



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| Cedar | Carla , for always having excellent presentation in every subject. |
| Rowan | Amelie , for commitment to her learning and for being a conscientious member of the class. |
| Ash | Alfie , for his brilliant explanation of how a fossil is formed. |
| Birch | Theo , for really focusing and concentrating on his work this week. I can see a real improvement, keep it up! |
| Teak | Alfie , for really focusing on his lesson output across the curriculum, particular in English. |
| Redwood | Charlotte , for being an excellent role model in the class and always giving 100% effort to everything she does. |

Sports Champion

Will H for his incredible achievement on a race runner at Dorney Lakes.

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.

