



# Crabtree Junior School

10<sup>th</sup> March 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](http://www.crabtreejm.herts.sch.uk/teaching_learning/timetables.html)

## This term's school value is

**"Hope"**

## Diary Reminders

### Mon 13<sup>th</sup> March

Science Day

12.30pm Performance Platform

12.50pm Year 6 Netball Rally

### Tues 14<sup>th</sup> March

U11 Quick Sticks Tournament

### Weds 15<sup>th</sup> March

12pm Year 4 Cricket Finals

6pm – Gym Display (children to arrive at 5.45pm)

### Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> March

1.10pm – Gym Display

7.30 – 8.30pm School Grounds Project Parent Presentation

Dear Parents,

Our 'Totaliser' for the School Grounds project has been erected in the Junior playground and as you can see we are 'off' with a £120,000 as a starting figure.

The 24<sup>th</sup> March sees the first of our fund raising events at school with a 4 screen cinema showing. So far 80 tickets have been sold; it would be great if we could take this figure to well over 130! Details, once again, are below:

### Movie Night at Crabtree on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March, 6pm

Launching the first of our School Grounds Project fundraiser ideas from the Junior School. For just £4 the kids can come and hangout with their friends while watching one of a choice of 4 movies. Popcorn and a drink included. Movies to be shown are Trolls (U), The Secret Life of Pets (U), Swallows and Amazons (U) and The BFG (PG). Book tickets online:

<http://buytickets.at/crabtreeschoolpa/87017>.

Parent help is also much appreciated, contact [caroline\\_a\\_smith@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:caroline_a_smith@yahoo.co.uk)



**Project Presentation - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> 7:30 - 8:30**

For those of you who missed the 1<sup>st</sup> round of presentations please come along and listen / discuss the project plans and how this will further enrich your child's provision at the school.

### **House Charity Day – The salvation Army**

Once again, a huge thank you to parents for making this a very successful event. The school raised a fantastic £245.51.

Thank you to Ben and his team, in Year 6, for arranging and presenting this event.

*Yours Sincerely,  
Ian Pattrick,  
Headteacher*

### **Middy 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 starting at 11.50am.

If you are interested in this role or know of anyone in the local community who would like to apply for this vacancy, please contact the school office.

### **P.E**

#### **District Netball Vs Redbourn**



On Monday we played Roundwood Primary on a beautiful sunny afternoon. The A team won 7 – 3 and the B team won 9 -1. All the girls played using the skills we have been practising and it was fabulous to see them growing in confidence.

#### **Year 6 Boys Football – District Tournament**

On Monday our A team went to Wood End to take part in the District Tournament. Our first game was against Beech Hyde which we won 3-1. The next against Harpenden Academy, we won 11-0 and the third game against Redbourn, we won 2-0. The final game out of the group pools saw us draw 0-0 with St. Nicholas.

We finished first in our group which enabled us to go through to the semi-finals playing the Grove. It was 0-0 at full time so we had extra time with the score remaining 0-0. The game went to penalties in which the Grove won 2-1. The boys played brilliantly and it was a great afternoon of Football!

#### **Saracens District Rugby Festival**

On Wednesday we took our 28 Rugby Club players to the Saracens Rugby Festival at Harpenden Rugby Club. It was a beautiful sunny day and the children played a lot of rugby matches with our 3 teams playing a total of 16

## **School letters**

*Please ask the School Office if you require a paper copy*

**Antony Wolfson Golf**

**Lingua Fanatics**



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## CRABTREE COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

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### Flyers:

**Raring 2 Go**

### E-Flyers:

**St Albans Hockey –  
Easter Camp**

**Harpenden Lawn Tennis  
– Easter Camp**

games winning 11, losing 2 and drawing in 3. They scored an amazing 86 tries!  
A massive thank you to Mr Finch for training the children, it certainly made a big difference.



### Year 6 Football Vs Roundwood



Some great football was played on Wednesday when we went to play Roundwood in our final league games. It was end to end excitement on both pitches. Unfortunately the A team lost 2 -1 in the last 2 minutes with Roundwood scoring an amazing unstoppable goal. The B team drew 0-0 with some brilliant attempts to score against great goal keeping. Well done to all the boys and thank you to our supporters this season especially Mr Finch and Mrs Clark for helping to team manage.

Kits back ASAP please!!

### Gym Display

Gym display tickets will be coming home today, please check your child's school bag for these.

If you have not received your tickets please contact the office by email and we will look into this for you.

Children will need to be at the school on Wednesday at 5.45pm to get ready for the display. Please do not send them in with any electronics or gadgets, they will not have time to use them and we will not have the facility to look after them.

### Chess Tournament

At Chess Club this morning the draw took place for our forthcoming tournament.

34 children put their names down to take part. Details of matches will be posted on the sports noticeboard next week. Good Luck to all the players.



## Law change for using your mobile phone whilst driving

It is illegal to use a hand-held phone or similar device while driving, or riding a motorcycle - this is still the case stopped at traffic lights or queuing in traffic.

Did you know? It is also illegal to use a hand-held mobile when supervising a learner driver or rider.

New penalties now mean that motorists and motorcyclists caught using a phone while driving and riding will receive six penalty points on their licence and a £200 fine. This means that new drivers, within two years of passing their test, run the risk of losing their licence for a single offence.

Keep safe – put your phone away in the glove compartment.

## Jarred Dreams Update

You may remember that I did an author visit to your school, during which I talked to the children about my debut novel, Jarred Dreams.

I found out today that Jarred Dreams is in the running for the People's Book Prize: great news for World Book Day!

I wanted to share this exciting news with the school with the hope that you pass it on to the children and parents, to see if any of them would be interested in voting for the book.

The link to vote and find out more is:

<http://www.peoplesbookprize.com/book.php?id=1510>

In addition, my second book, EATS is due out in April and I would be happy to return to your school for a book signing session, please email me to let me know if you would like to arrange this.

I appreciate your support.

Best Wishes  
Camilla Chester

<http://www.camillachester.com>

## From the Parents' Association.

### Get on Your Bike Sunday 11th June 2017

Here's the challenge: Cycle 100 miles or 100km with a team from Crabtree in an effort to raise £5000 for the School Grounds Project. Both routes will start and finish at the school and pass through the beautiful Chilterns. We're recruiting riders, support crew and a welcome back party! For more information

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contact [johnestyles@hotmail.com](mailto:johnestyles@hotmail.com).

Watch this space and follow us on Facebook at 'Crabtree Schools' Parents' Association' for info on these and other fundraising initiatives coming up. !

## Please Help with Uniform Shop Stocktake

Can you help with our annual stocktake on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March? We will be counting stock for an hour or so from 9am. Email [chloe.hawkins1@gmail.com](mailto:chloe.hawkins1@gmail.com).

## Like to Organize a Party?

The Summer Fayre is one of Crabtree's biggest events of the year, and we're looking for 1 or 2 people to shadow this year's planning in order to take over organizing the event next summer. Please consider if you could help us in this way, or encourage a friend who you think may be good for the role! Email [caroline\\_a\\_smith@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:caroline_a_smith@yahoo.co.uk).

## Stars of the Week



<b>Cedar</b>	<b>Elena</b> , for her resilience in assessments. Well done!
<b>Rowan</b>	<b>Elliot</b> , for applying himself during our assessments.
<b>Ash</b>	<b>Boo</b> , for his amusing yet formal non-chronological report all about our teachers!
<b>Birch</b>	<b>Charlotte</b> , for consistent hard work and effort, but particularly her desire to thoroughly check of all assessments.
<b>Teak</b>	<b>Sammy</b> , for applying himself to improve his work in spelling.
<b>Redwood</b>	<b>Joshua</b> , for showing commitment to his spelling group and being confident in the decisions he makes in his spellings.
<b>Elm</b>	<b>Stephen</b> , for always applying himself so diligently in maths.
<b>Elder</b>	<b>Gabriella</b> , for making such insightful contributions in Jigsaw lessons.

## Sports Champion

**Conor H**, for being such a dedicated and thoughtful member of the gym display even when injured.

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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