



# Crabtree Junior School

10<sup>th</sup> November 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**

**"Appreciation"**

**Diary Reminders**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

3.30pm – 6.30PM – Year 6  
Parent Consultations

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November**

9.30am - Year 3 Prospective  
Parent Tour

**Weds 15<sup>th</sup> November**

House Assembly – Children in  
Need

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

3.30pm – 6.30pm - Year 6  
Parent Consultations

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

Children in Need Day – Non-  
uniform

9.10am Year 4 Class Assembly

**Breaking News .....**

**The school Field Project  
totaliser has reached £170,000**

*Thank you for your continued  
support*

Dear Parents,

**Year 3 Assembly – 'The Egyptians'**

*Another great assembly today! You could see how excited pupils were to present their Egyptian assembly. Dressed in Egyptian costumes; dancing the Egyptian way; demonstrating the intricacies of mummification – it was fab to see. A very big – well done.*

**Curriculum Presentation**

*We had a great 'turn out' on Tuesday, over 55 parents attended the school's curriculum presentation related to assessment and how the School uses Bloom's Taxonomy to measure pupil progress.*

*The presentation, including teacher guidance, will be attached to the school's web site under 'Recently added'.*

**Safety Reminder**

*Could you please not walk through the school's car park at drop off and pick up, and instead use the footpaths.*

**Children in Need - non-uniform day  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

*Next Friday is Children in Need Day. Children are invited to come into school in non-uniform for a small donation of £1 on the day. Thank you*

*Ian Patrick  
Headteacher*

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# Christmas Concert

Our school concert will be held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December with performances at 9:30am and 6:30pm. We expect it to last approximately 1 hour. Further information will follow shortly.

## Aviva Community Fund Voting

Following our success with the One Foundation Award for the Infants (thanks for your votes), we are now trying to do the same with the Aviva Community Fund awards for the Juniors. Full details are in the e:mail you received from Crabtree SPG in the last couple of days (if you haven't received it please check your junk folder).

Voting is now open so please take a few minutes to vote and ask friends and family to support us too! Just click on this link <https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-5355%20>

## Music

The lyrics for the songs the children will be singing at our Christmas Concert are now on the school website. Please encourage your children to practise them at home. Thank you.

## PE

### Warm clothing for P.E!!!

Now the weather has turned a lot colder please can you ensure your child has navy joggers and a fleece. Gloves are also useful. They also need a pair of socks to wear for PE. Thank you.

## District Cross Country



On Tuesday we went to the Rovers Ground to compete in the Harpenden schools Cross Country. I was so proud of all our runners and how well they had trained prior to the competition.

They all performed fantastically on Tuesday. There were 15 schools taking part so a lot of children all competing for those top places.

Congratulations to Evie and Zac who won their Year 5 races – outstanding performances.

Overall results: Year 5 and Year 6 Boys finished 2<sup>nd</sup>. Year 5 Girls came 3<sup>rd</sup> and Year 6 Girls were just out of the top 3 places. Overall as a school we finished 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thank you to all parents who supported the children and Mrs Goodwin for stepping in last minute to help manage the team.

## School Uniform Opening Times

**FRIDAYS 8.50 – 9.30**

17TH NOVEMBER  
8TH DECEMBER

## School letters

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

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Christmas Fayre Donation Countdown



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.



# CRABTREE COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

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## E-Flyers:

## FLYERS:

## Harpenden District Level 2 Table tennis competition

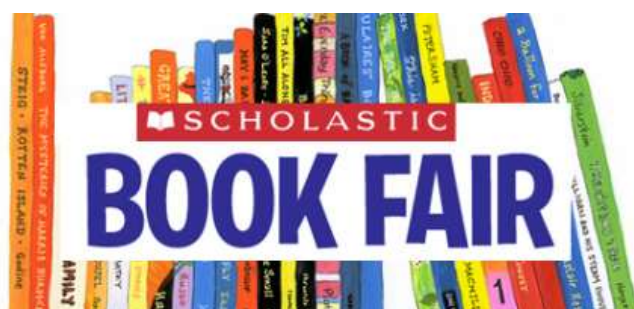


On Wednesday we went to Marlborough School to attend the District Table Tennis Tournament and were competing to represent Harpenden at the County competition. We took three teams: 2 boys and 1 girls; everyone played extremely well and improved with each game.

Our boys A Team made it to the final, which is a first for Crabtree, where we played a very talented Kings Team who were deserving winners. I was extremely proud of our children's determination!

Our girls team finished 3rd, the boys B team finished 3rd and the A Team finished 1st in their pool!

## Library



Thank you to everyone that came along and bought something from the book fair. We sold £1,019.95 of books and novelties which we enable us to stock the library with new books for the children to read.

## From the Parents' Association

### DIARY DATES

Saturday 2 December – Crabtree Christmas Fayre

Friday 26 January – Kids Disco

Saturday 10 March – PA Quiz Night

### UNIFORM SHOP DATES

(Open Fridays 8:50am – 9:30am)

November 17th, December 8th, January 5th & 19th

**VOTE FOR CRABTREE TO WIN £10,000** So far about 180 people have voted for Crabtree to win this funding prize. A great start, but we'll need more to win. Here's our challenge to you: Please email 5 family members or friends (living in the UK) with the link below asking them to vote for our project. Tell them if they use Facebook it's easiest to click that option at the bottom of the "register" page. This £10,000 for our outdoor renovations is too good to miss out on!

### Aviva voting link:

<https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-5355>

### Contact us:

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## CRABTREE FIREWORKS WERE SPECTACULAR!

Thank you to all who came out to celebrate Bonfire Night with us at Crabtree. It was a wonderful evening and the event was a huge success meeting our two goals as a PA – creating community and raising funds for the school. Big thanks to the many volunteers who gave their time over the weekend and especially to chief organizer Stuart Robson.

**COUNTDOWN TO THE CHRISTMAS FAYRE** Your donations help make the fayre great every year. Please look at the attached 'Donations Countdown' for the items we're asking you to bring in over the coming weeks. This Friday 10 November we're collecting any unwanted cuddly toys. Next Friday it's Lucky Dip prizes

we're after – so do think about any items you could give! The Fayre will get us all feeling festive with games, food, carols and sing-a-longs planned. Father Christmas will be there too, and slots to visit the grotto are going fast. **Book Grotto Tickets:** <http://buytickets.at/crabtreeschoolpa/118748>

**LEND A HAND AT THE FAYRE?** We need a few mums and dads to help in the finance room counting money and also clearing up after the event. Please if you could give us an hour it would really help. Contact [katy\\_goody@sky.com](mailto:katy_goody@sky.com)

**REMEMBER TO EARN FREE MONEY FROM CRABTREE WHEN YOU SHOP ONLINE!** Get started here: [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/crabtreepta](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/crabtreepta)

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## Stars of the Week



**Cedar & Rowan Whole of Year 3**, for their fantastic assembly performance.

**Ash Luke**, for writing a fabulous letter and responding positively to feedback.

**Birch Maya**, for her hard work across all subjects, contribution and beautiful presentation.

**Teak Ewan**, for focusing fantastically on his dragon training instructions, and producing some inspired innovations.

**Redwood Amy**, for her excellent attitude to learning.

**Elm Matilda S**, for making a real improvement in her attitude to learning since the beginning of term.

**Elder Ollie**, for thinking analytically about propaganda during WW2.

## Sports Champion

**Evie and Zach** - Year 5 - for their outstanding performance in the District Cross Country.

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)

If you have any comments on the newsletter or items for the Noticeboard, please contact the School Office.

