



Crabtree Junior School

17th July 2015

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
"Appreciation".

Diary Reminders

Monday 20th July

Leavers' Concert, 7pm

Wednesday 22nd July

School ends at 2pm

School letters

Please ask the School Office if you require a paper copy

Mini Tennis

Camera Kids

From the Headteacher

And so we come to my last letter of the academic year. When Wednesday comes, I will have completed my tenth year at Crabtree Junior School and each year seems to go by quicker than the last - it is amazing to realise that many of the children who were in Year 6 when I arrived will be entering their final year of university in September before going out into the big wide world. We are always pleased to hear from our former students and find out what they are doing. This is a wonderful community to be a part of and I trust that the children (and parents) who move on to pastures new after next week will always carry a little bit of Crabtree with them.

My gratitude goes to the parents who responded to my plea to 'sponsor' our new football and netball team kits. Thanks to their generosity, Crabtree will be well turned out next year. You know who you are - THANK YOU.

Significant works begin on the school premises next week and will be ongoing when we return for the autumn term. Please read my note below for details, as the disruption could be significant.

Finally, don't forget that school ends at 2pm on Wednesday. Don't let your child be the one still waiting to be collected after everyone else has gone! I wish you all a wonderful summer break, whether home or abroad. Stay safe and we look forward to seeing everyone back on Wednesday 2nd September.

*Ian Patrick,
Headteacher*

New roofs for the Crabtree Schools

On Thursday 23rd July major refurbishment work starts to both Crabtree Junior and Crabtree Infants' Schools' roofs - complete new roofs! The work will go on until the end of October / beginning of November - end dates are very much dependent on the weather and therefore the work could exceed the projected completion date.



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:

Loko Dance
Kids Zumba

**Sports Xtra
Summer holiday club
Crabtree Junior School
27th July – 14th August**

As you can imagine, the work will cause a great deal of disruption: both school buildings will be 'framed' by an exterior scaffold that will protrude at least a metre from the building; some pedestrian walkways will be out of use – mainly at the Infants' school; quite a few parking bays within the school grounds will be out of action; works to any part of the school that has a skylight will necessitate rooms being vacated for at least two days each; noise within the school will be increased from the building work above.

Obviously, this situation is not ideal but the works must be carried out and at least we are making most of the six week holiday break to get work underway.

The above information I know for sure, and both schools have contingency plans for the disruption particularly in the context of classrooms being out of use. However, I am sure you can appreciate there may be/will be circumstances that we have to react to – if you have ever had any major works to your house, I am sure you know what I mean!

The school will be 'open for business' throughout and we will manage the disruption. I am quite confident that the works will be a 'memory' by the end of the year ... and, if not, then Christmas lights around the school could look quite magical!!

Library books

Please ensure that all school books – from the main and classroom libraries – are returned before Wednesday.

Last chance to reclaim lost property

All named items in the lost property store have been returned to their owners today. If you are missing any articles of clothing, please come in to school at the end of the day on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday to check through lost property. Once term ends, any unclaimed items will be recycled to the school uniform shop or to charity.

From the Parents' Association

Thanks for all your support this year and here's what your money has achieved!

Thanks to the support of teachers, parents and children at Crabtree the PA has managed to fund:

- ICT equipment
- Year 5 Drumming
- Music provision
- Goal posts
- Outdoor toys
- Chair stacking system
- Electric piano

Are you organised and a great project manager?

We are looking for a project coordinator for the Crabtree Summer Fayre next year. This role would be to keep overall control of the project plan and on top of the deadlines.

If you are super organised and good at getting the job done on time then we would love to hear from you. We have a project plan already in place with a list of all the jobs that need doing and when, and have a team of willing and capable helpers. We just need someone to bring it all together.

You would need to sort out a few early admin jobs in January and February and would then need to do a couple of jobs each week during the summer term and would definitely need to attend on the day (25th June next year).

If this sounds like something you could take on then please email chloeandclaudio@yahoo.co.uk

Two Dates for your diary

Family Fun Event, Saturday 3rd October

The next PA event is a fun, informal family event for Saturday 3rd October, as a get together for all Crabtree families to say 'welcome' to the new school year.

There will be some games and crafts for the children, an open bar, refreshments and more details to follow. Put the date in your diary!

Crabtree Ball, Friday 20th May

2016 will see another Crabtree Ball so please put Friday 20th May in your diaries! We'll fill you in on the details after the holidays, so watch this space!

Have a lovely summer, from the PA!



Stars of the Week

Cedar	Charlotte , for being a real team player – helpful and enthusiastic all year.
Rowan	Olivia , for a super 'guide' to Year 3.
Ash	Max , for being an exceptionally thoughtful and mature young man.
Birch	Sebby , for being a role model to others all year!
Teak	William P , for a wonderful attitude during a tricky Year 5.
Redwood	Romily , for fantastic effort in all classwork this year. Well done!
Elm	Emma , for her fantastic attitude to all aspects of school life throughout Year 6.
Elder	Beth , for her amazing work ethic right through Year 6.

Challenge Champion:

Miss Sanwell, for being an absolute trooper!

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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.

