



Crabtree Junior School

18th March 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 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 "Caring"

Diary Reminders

Mon 21st March

Yr 5 & 6 Tag Rugby Tournament

Tues 22nd March

Boys County Indoor Athletics

Yr6 Netball match - Home

Weds 23rd March

Yr4 Spring Language Fair

Yr 3 Mosque Visit

Thurs 24th March

Yr5 Netball match - Home

Fri 25th March

Good Friday – School Closed

Dear Parents,

Gym Display

What an amazing event on Wednesday afternoon and last night!

An enormous 'thank you' to Mrs Tizard, Miss Clements and Miss Weaver for presenting such an inspiring display.

This was, no doubt, 'inclusive practice' at its very best. All pupils were engaged, motivated and inspired – I was a very proud Headteacher indeed.

I have received some comments of thanks today from parents that attended the two performances. Words such as, 'absolutely fantastic'; 'the best school event I have ever seen' and 'a joy to see all the children having such a great time' reflects the mood of the displays.



Sport Relief

This morning all the children in the school 'skipped' for Sports Relief. In total we managed (yes, I skipped as well!) to skip a distance of 5.5 kilometers!!

Money raised for this event totalled £ 223.28. Thank you, once again, for your generosity.

Parent Survey

The Parent Survey goes 'live' today. Governors and I take your comments very seriously as it does truly help to inform us of how we can further improve school provision for your child.

School letters

Please ask the School Office if you require a paper copy

Dinner Bills

Easter Holiday Club

Karate

Antony Wolfson Golf School

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Watergate Farm Lambing Weekends



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.



Last year we received just over 80 responses out of a possible 220. Governors and I would really appreciate it if we had comments from the vast majority of parents; the more we have the more informed we are.

Please click on the link below to start the survey:

<http://crabtreejrs.limequery.com/index.php/283942/lang-en>

Ian Patrick Headteacher

E-Safety thought of the Week:



P.E

Netball v St Helens

On Friday we took our netball teams over to St Helens to play. The A team played first and steamed ahead with lots of great shooting and defending. They won 12 – 1. Congratulations to Lauren being nominated as MVP.

The B team then played and this was a much more even game with end to end goals. Crabtree distributed the ball extremely well and we won 4 – 3. Congratulations to Meg who was nominated MVP.

The District Netball Tournament

Congratulations to the Crabtree A team who were District Runners Up on Tuesday.

They played some fantastic netball in the pool games.

Beat Redbourn 4 – 1

Lost to St Dominics 4 – 6

Drew 2 – 2 with The Grove

Beat St Nicholas 7 – 0

Beat Beech Hyde 5 – 0

Beat St Helens 8 – 2

Beat Kimpton 3 – 1

The girls then went up against St Hilda's in the Semi-Final and won comfortably 6 – 2.

We then had to play Redbourn again in the final and despite a difficult first half they drove ahead winning 3 – 1. All the girls played brilliantly with great skill, determination and sportsmanship. Ella P as captain nominated Charlotte as MVP. Well done to you all and a massive thank you to Mrs Mercer for coaching and umpiring the girls at the tournament.

CRABTREE COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

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E-Flyers:

The Creation Station Easter
Family Fun

Dance @ Wembley Live



National Cross Country Championships

We would like to wish Adam G lots of luck on Saturday as he represents Hertfordshire U11 at the National Cross Country Championships in Lincolnshire.



Science Day

On Monday, the whole school took part in our science day engaging in lots of 'hands on' and practical activities from 'Bridge Blunders' to 'Racing Rockets.' It was fantastic to see the children demonstrating their scientific skills at school and through their wonderful homework!

Children who demonstrated exceptional scientific skills in class received a special investigator badge for science. These children were:

Cedar – Sofia
Rowan – Nina
Ash – Eloise
Birch – Freddie
Teak – Dexter
Redwood – Alexandra
Elm – Charlie
Elder - Jasmine

A huge well done to all of the children and thank you to everyone involved for making the day such a success.

Miss Pinder-White

NSPCC

Thank you to everyone who took part in the NSPCC sponsored 'Multiple Marathon'. So far we have raised an amazing £1,988.86 for this fantastic charity.

Music

ORCHESTRA

No rehearsal next Monday, March 21st

Rehearsals resume Monday 25 April

CHOIR

Practice as usual next Wednesday. 8.15am - 8.45am.

Eisteddfod

The Eisteddfod timetables will be coming home with the children on Tuesday.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

We are again collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers for exciting new sports equipment. This year, whenever you shop in a Sainsbury's Supermarket, you will receive one voucher for every £10 you spend. All vouchers earned in a transaction will be issued on a single piece of paper. In Local stores, you will still get a 1 voucher for every £5 spent. Please send your vouchers into the office via the register or pop them in the collection box in reception.

Easter Holiday Club at Crabtree Infants' - 'School's Out'

Crabtree Infants' will be running a new holiday club starting during the Easter break called 'School's Out'. This is being run by members of the Infant school staff and is open to children aged 4 – 11. The club will run from 8am - 6pm every day during the Easter holiday with an option of a shorter 9am - 3pm time slot. A booking form is attached; please return this to the Infant school office.

If you wish to book at this stage and make the payment nearer the time, please do so, this will allow the club staff to plan their staff ratios in good time. Have a look at their website <http://schoolisoutclub.weebly.com/> and like them on Facebook 'School's out holiday club'.

From the Parents' Association

Uniform Stock take

The uniform shop needs volunteers to do its annual stock take. Can you please spare 2 hours to count new uniform stock on Friday 1st April from 9:15am - 11:15am? If so please email giles.batchelor@tiscali.co.uk.

Got Unused Gifts?

Not sure what to do with some of those lovely Mothers Day (or Valentines or Christmas) presents? Donate them to the Crabtree PA! We'll put them to good use at the next Christmas Fayre in Rudolf's Wrapping Room or the Adult Tombola. Unopened candles, smellies and other small gifts are ideal. Please bring donations to the school office.

Help Make the Summer Fayre Great

We are looking for people to join the Summer Fayre team in the following roles - sponsorship, helping with the hog and coordinating the mega raffle. Get involved to make this annual event for the school a success. Contact findindhu@yahoo.com to find out more.

Stars of the Week



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Dreams & Goals – People who have tried to keep themselves and others safe.

Cedar	Ella , for thinking ahead and protecting another child from falling over in a crowded situation.
Rowan	Freya , for always looking out for others in class.
Ash	Louie , for always looking out for others and being sensible and safe, in and out of the classroom.
Birch	Lexie , for being safe in and out of the classroom. She always thinks of others in the class.
Teak	William , for his thoughtful, careful and safe behaviour during the evening gym display.
Redwood	Finlay , for taking care of a younger pupil when they were hurt.
Elm	Harry H , for always thinking of others and being a great friend to all.
Elder	Daniel M , for always volunteering to help with anything inside and outside the classroom.

Sports Champions

Ollie S, for being an IT WHIZZ with the power point and music for the gym display.

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.

