



# Crabtree Junior School

19<sup>th</sup> October 2018

## The blogs

Please be aware we are currently having technical difficulties with some year group blogs – we will notify you when your year group blog is available. We appreciate your patience.

## 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)

## Diary Reminders

### Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Yr 4 – Swimming

### Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

Healthy Bake-Off

### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Yr 6 – Basketball Tournament

Parent consultations

### Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October

Yr 5 - 9.15am – Teak – Class Assembly

## School Letters

Governor Nomination Form

PA News

House Cake Off

Science Topics

Dear Parents & Carers

Well done to Ash class and Miss Coyne for another fantastic class assembly. The children spoke with wonderful confidence and it is clear that they have learnt a great deal in this first half term. I was particularly impressed with their French song – thank you to Madame Baikie for all her efforts – they were fantastic and I am sure that some of you will have been humming that tune all day!

I have been fortunate to have had a lot of visitors to my office this week. All with beaming smiles and full of pride to show me some of the work that they have been doing in class. It always brightens my day and they are very excited when they are presented with a 'Headteacher's Award' sticker! I look forward to seeing some more fabulous work next week.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss E Simmons

Head of School



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## Flyers sent home

Glaze Time

The Rock Project

Dinner Menus

## School Uniform Shop

Friday 8.50am – 9.30am

9 Nov  
30 Nov  
14 Dec

## Crabtree Community Noticeboard

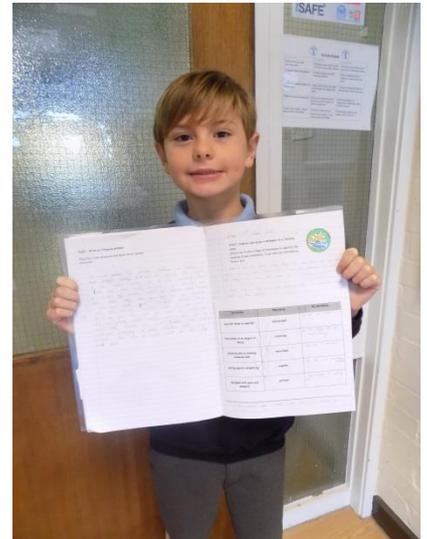
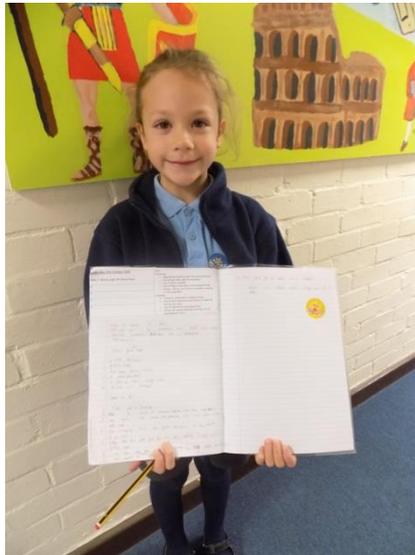
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## E-Flyers

Christmas Poster Competition

British Legion Poppy Appeal

There has been lots of excellent learning in school this week!



### Wisepay Reminders

#### Whole School

Trips for the forthcoming year

#### To be returned to School

#### Whole School

Eisteddfod performance entries



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## Year 6 Positions of Responsibility

I am pleased to inform you of some further roles that have been given to our Year 6 children this week.

<b>Peer Mediators</b>	
Olivia Elston-Smith	Stella Lloyd
Amy Mead	Jemima Neil
Amelie McCarthy Hunt	Kanishk Arun
Freya Finan	Millie Huscroft
Ally Berger	Ed Cromack
<b>Library Monitors</b>	
Stanley Roe	
Ella Winup	
Sam Hawkins	
Millie Huscroft	
Gus Dunham	
<b>Tuck Shop</b>	
Amy Dicks	
Henry Hills	
Georgia Moody	
Toby Screen	
Sean Senda	
Rowan Walker	
<b>Music Captains</b>	
Toby Brett	
Chloe Symons	

## Parent Governor Vacancies

We have vacancies for two parent governors on the Junior's local governing body. Governors do not need any formal qualifications or have education expertise – just enthusiasm, a modest amount of time they can commit to the school, and a willingness to ask challenging questions in a supportive way. There is extensive training and support available to help you grow into the role.

If you would like to learn more about being a governor, you can contact our Chair of Governors, Phil Kendall, on [pkendall@crabtreejm.herts.sch.uk](mailto:pkendall@crabtreejm.herts.sch.uk)

Please complete the nomination form attached, and available from the school office, and return it to the school office marked for the attention of the Chair of Governors by 3pm on Thursday 25th October.

## Healthy Cake Competition – Tuesday 23 October

**Our first inter-house competition! Full details attached!**

Please bring in four samples of your delicious bakes in a labelled tupperware and hand to your class teacher in the morning. Every entry will receive 5 house points – you can have a joint entry with somebody from the same house. The winning entry will receive 20 points. Please enter only one category! .

Happy Baking!

## Dinner Menus

Although not shown on the dinner menus that were sent home this week we can confirm that there will still be a Jacket Potato available every day.

## Harvest Assembly

We will be holding a harvest assembly with the children on Thursday morning and would very much appreciate any donations of tins, packets etc which will be going to a local food bank. Thank you.

## New PE T-Shirts – volunteers needed!

Our new PE T-shirts have arrived! We would like to get these distributed to the children before half term but to do this we are looking for 2 volunteers who could come into school Wednesday or Thursday afternoon next week to help Chloe sort them. Please let the office know ASAP if you can help. Thank You.

## Parent Tour – Years 3 & 4

Following the letter sent to Year 3 & 4 Parents last week this is just a reminder that the next Parent Tour is on Tuesday 20 November – please sign up on Wisepay if you would like to attend. Thank you.

## Poppy Appeal

As in previous years, we are supporting The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. In addition to poppies we will also be selling a variety of stationery items. Suggested donations range from 50p - £1.00 each. These will be available from next Tuesday – prefects will visit each class during the day to give children the opportunity to make their donation.

## Finance assistance required

We are looking for a numerate person with reconciliations and management accounting expertise who would be able to spare a couple of hours per week or 4-6 hours per month to assist us with producing month end reconciliations and accounting for the breakfast and after school clubs and holiday club. The timing would be flexible and training would be provided, but the person needs to be comfortable with reconciliations and working with Excel. We are seeking a volunteer initially but there is a possibility of developing the role in due course. If you think you could offer this help please let the office know.

## Book Fair Competition

Please encourage your children to take part in the Book Fair competition – this year the children are asked to write a poem about a favourite character from a book. All entries into school by Monday 5 November.

## Science Learning – can you come and share your experiences?

Calling all parents, aunties, uncles, cousins, carers and other family members.

We are reaching out to ask for your input in your children's science learning! The children love a visitor coming to share first-hand information and experiences of the unit they are learning about in science and we'd love to invite you to be that visitor.

Attached you will find a yearly timetable of which units we are covering in class and in which term. If you feel your area of expertise has already passed/is not until later in the year, fear not, we would love to book you in for next year!

Please do get in touch and discuss with me (Mrs Bath - Y6 Elm teacher and Science coordinator) how you feel you could contribute to our learning or if you'd like a bit more information on what a specific unit covers and whether you feel you could contribute. I'd also be happy to discuss what your session could look like or this could be discussed with your child's class teacher. Please however feel free to contribute in any area! It doesn't have to be your child's class or year.

## Lost Property

Please note that Lost Property is now in a storage chest outside the back entrance to the school hall.

## “Jump n Juice” Family Boot Camp raising funds for Jossie – Sunday 21 October, High Beeches School Field – 2pm – 3pm

This event is being organised by Katherine Scott in conjunction with Louise Condon and her team from 'Jump n Juice' to raise funds for Jossie in Year 1 who is fighting a rare form of childhood cancer, high risk neuroblastoma and needs to raise funds for treatment overseas that is not funded by the NHS.

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Please do come along to support his event which will be suitable for all ages and abilities. We want to raise as much as we can and it will be pay on the door. £10 (adults), £5 (children), £20 (families) with ALL proceeds going to Jossie's Fund. There will be an opportunity to make additional donations if desired as there will be collection boxes and wrist bands that have been provided by 'Solving Kids Cancer'. For further information contact Katherine\_scott2004@yahoo.co.uk

Jossie's story can be found by following the link below:

<https://solvingkidscancer.org.uk/campaigns/jossie-leavers-journey/>

### Stars of the Week



Cedar	Izzy for showing perseverance and a positive approach.
Rowan	Arjun for approaching all learning with focus and enthusiasm.
Ash	Ben for writing a fantastic story about a magic teacher.
Birch	Kate for fabulous contributions to class life and always choosing kind.
Teak	Evie R – an excellent class role model, always making the right choices.
Redwood	Emily for a fantastic attitude to learning. Trying her best in every lesson with a growth mindset.
Elm	Olivia for working hard and making fantastic progress with writing.
Elder	Ivo – outstanding mathematical exploration and reasoning.

### Sports Champion – Lower School

Daniel – Birch – for excellent sporting ability in all PE lessons.

### Sports Champion – Upper School

Emily D - Teak – for demonstrating Premier League football skills in the school games!

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.

