



# Crabtree Junior School

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

**This term's school value is "Perseverance"**

## Diary Reminders

**Next week is:**

**Walk to School Week**

**Tues 24<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 5 & 6 Parents Meeting  
– Social curriculum

**Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 4 Mini tennis

**Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May**

Inset Day

*Dear Parents,*

### Field Project

*Just a reminder that we are holding a 'working party' meeting on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 6:30pm at the Junior school. We have received costings for the project and it would seem, on first appearance, that we may well need to stagger the works.*

*At the meeting we intend to 'prioritise' the project works so anyone out there with any fund raising experience will be more than welcome to attend –although any parent who would like to help take the project forward is more than happy to come along!*

*This, by far, will be the most ambitious venture that we have set out to fund raise for, but I do believe that we are more than up for the challenge.*

*Look forward to seeing you at the meeting.*

*Ian Patrick Headteacher*

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## School letters

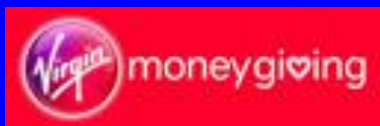
*Please ask the School Office if you require a paper copy*

Primary Times

Antony Wolfson Golf Club

Dinner Bills

## Flyers



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.



Well done to the Year 4's who played in the District Football tournament on Tuesday. It was a really tough afternoon with some great displays of football. We played 6 pool games winning 1, drawing 2 and losing 3. The boys were great sporting role models for the school and we enjoyed the afternoon. Great effort from all the players so everyone was MVP's!

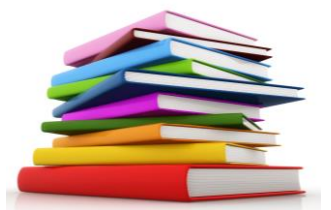
## Walk to School Week

Next week is 'National Walk to School' week. As a school we would encourage all the children to participate in this initiative, travelling to school without the means of a car. If children live too far to walk the whole way, then please consider parking a little further away than usual and walking the last five or ten minutes of your journey.

We will be re-instating the Crabtree Crocodile where staff will meet at Gilpin Green at 8.30am next Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May to walk to school.

## Year 5 Maths Challenge

On Monday, Max M, Greg C, Dexter S and Ben C represented Crabtree in the first round of the Hertfordshire Year 5 Maths Challenge at Wood End School. Despite tough competition from 9 other schools, the boys showed resilience, determination and excellent team work to secure themselves first position and a place at the final in June. Well done boys, you did Crabtree proud!



## The Library Needs You!

Do you have approx. 90 minutes per week to spare on a Monday or Thursday lunchtime?

We are looking for volunteer librarians who can help us to keep the junior library open for children to borrow books and to help with admin. It's a lovely place to work.

- No experience necessary
- Full training given (it's easy)
- Start after half term or in September
- Speak to the office or Katy Goody if you want to find out more.

## CRABTREE COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Please note that these notices are provided as a community service and Crabtree Junior does not take responsibility for or seek to endorse any of the advertisements printed in this section.

### E-Flyers:

**Musical Summer Holiday Courses**

**Introduction to Pilates for children**

**St Albans Hockey Club**

**Oaklands College Summer Fayre**

**Ollie Foundation – Charlie & the  
Chocolate Factory**

## Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

3rd May was the last date to collect your Active Kids Vouchers. Please send any vouchers you have into the office by 8<sup>th</sup> July. Thank you.

## Crabtree School's Out Holiday Club

Firstly, we would like to thank all those that booked your children into our holiday club over the Easter holidays. The club was a great success - all the staff have enjoyed running it, the children have been great fun to be around and all seem to have enjoyed their stays with us. The behaviour was fantastic and we are looking forward to meeting them all again in the next club! We have been posting photos on our Facebook Page - School's Out Holiday Club [https://www.facebook.com/Schools-Out-Holiday-Club-1161410293901144/?view\\_public\\_for=1161410293901144](https://www.facebook.com/Schools-Out-Holiday-Club-1161410293901144/?view_public_for=1161410293901144) and on our website, <http://schoolisoutclub.weebly.com/>

Attached to the Newsletter is the Booking Form for the Summer Half Term holiday. If you could get your booking form in early, or let us know what dates you would like to book, we would appreciate this information as early as possible for staffing purposes. At this point we would also like to gauge interest for the summer holidays. If you could let us know your requirements for the summer we can try to plan our dates accordingly.

## Piano in need of a new home

Mrs Petevinos has an upright piano that they no longer require. It is available to anyone who would like to come and get it/arrange for collection. It's a perfectly good piano for a child to learn on and is free to a good home (but a donation to school would not go amiss!) Please contact the school office.

## The Ollie Foundation – Charlie & the Chocolate Factory Trip

Some local parents are organising a theatre trip to London to see Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and £10 from each ticket will be going to the OLLIE Foundation. This is a charity set up by 3 local parents who have lost their children to suicide; they want to do everything they can to prevent other parents from having to go through the pain that they have suffered. They are raising funds to offer training to staff in schools on suicide intervention. You can read more information in the following article

[http://www.hertsad.co.uk/news/father\\_of\\_teen\\_suicide\\_victim\\_founds\\_charity\\_to\\_offer\\_extra\\_support\\_in\\_st\\_albans\\_1\\_4441121](http://www.hertsad.co.uk/news/father_of_teen_suicide_victim_founds_charity_to_offer_extra_support_in_st_albans_1_4441121)

## From the Parents' Association

### Follow the PA on Facebook!

Be sure to "like" us on Facebook to get updates on school events and to see all the great ways the PA is using your contributions to improve Crabtree! You can find us as "Crabtree Schools' Parents' Association." Check it out today. It's an easy way to keep up with all you need to know from the PA! Thanks.

## Raffle Tickets in Bookbags

Give your friends, family and neighbours a chance to win some of the great prizes at our upcoming Summer Fayre. Tickets for the Mega Mega Raffle have gone home in bookbags. Please try to sell them in support of the Crabtree PA. Any ticket stubs, money collected as well as all unsold tickets should be returned to the school by Monday 20th of June. We will send a reminder to do so. Tickets are just £1 and the winners will be drawn at the Fayre on 25th June.

## Summer Fayre - We need you!

The PA is planning a fantastic Summer Fayre for the Crabtree community – and we need your help to make it a success. Please consider helping for a couple of hours with setting up, the Hog Roast or in another way. Reply on Facebook or email [findindhu@yahoo.com](mailto:findindhu@yahoo.com). Also, know any local business owners who may want to sponsor the Fayre? For £50 upwards they can advertise on the hedge/fence at the school leading up to the event. Contact [natalie@snoozer.co.uk](mailto:natalie@snoozer.co.uk).

## Last Chance - Festival on the Field

This Friday 20th May is your last chance to buy Festival on the Field tickets under a special offer that gives 40% of your purchase to Crabtree. We've already earned £83 under this promotion from just a few families buying, well done! If you're planning to go, try to purchase online by this Friday and enter "Crabtree" when prompted. The music festival is Saturday 2 July featuring tribute acts and loads of family food and entertainment. Visit [www.festivalonthefield.co.uk](http://www.festivalonthefield.co.uk).

## Disco Success

Thanks for a fabulous disco last Friday! The event was great fun for the students and raised over £600 for the school. Thanks to all the parents who helped in the hall and who created those crazy hairstyles!

## Stars of the Week



### ***Dreams & Goals – People who know how to help themselves and others when they feel hurt or upset.***

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| <b>Cedar</b> | <b>William</b> , for persevering and conquering his French test by revisiting it orally. Très Bien! |
| <b>Rowan</b> | <b>Katie</b> , for having a caring outlook and always looking to help within the class.             |
| <b>Ash</b>   | <b>Josh L</b> , for his sensitive and empathetic approach to his friends.                           |
| <b>Birch</b> | <b>Matilda S</b> , for helping her classmates answer a question in French "Beaucoup de courage!"    |

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- Teak**                    **Aryaveer**, for his sensitive and empathetic approach to his friends and life in general.
- Redwood**             **Adam**, for his mature and caring attitude towards others in his class.
- Elm**                     **Ollie**, for always caring for others including looking for ways to help the teacher.
- Elder**                  **Max**, for being caring towards those around him.

## Sports Champions

**Eddie W**, for being a great captain at the Year 4 football, ensuring all his team were happy.

## Challenge Champions

**Year 5 Maths Challenge Team**, for their amazing teamwork!

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.

