



Crabtree Junior School

21st September 2018

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.

**Year
3**

**Year
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**Year
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**Year
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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 week's school
value is:**

"Hope"

Diary Reminders

Monday 24th September

Yr 4 – Swimming

Tuesday 25th September

Individual & Sibling
Photographs

Wednesday 26th September

Yr 4 Birch – Sound Workshop

International Day of
Languages

School Letters

PA News

Flyers sent home

Dear Parents & Carers

I am not sure if there is any scientific research to back me up, but I am convinced that the strength of the wind directly correlates with the excitability of children! And...it has been a very windy week!

Yet again, the days have flown by and the children, with their enviable energy, seem to approach each lesson and activity full of enthusiasm. The extra-curricular clubs are now in full swing and it is great to see the children taking advantage of the variety of clubs on offer. I am particularly pleased to see such a large number of children taking part in chess and look forward to seeing how they get on in the district tournament. For the first time we have also introduced a Year 4 Creative Writing Club which, unsurprisingly, is extremely popular. I am very much looking forward to seeing the writing that they produce.

A highlight of my role is most definitely being able to see some of the children's work when they are sent to show me. This week I have seen some excellent maths, fabulous writing and brilliant handwriting! The sense of pride and their beaming smiles is wonderful.

Do please talk to your children about what they have learnt this week and about their attitude to learning. Have they taken risks in their learning or are they still afraid to challenge themselves? What do they feel they could do to improve their learning behaviours?

This week we have seen the presentations from those boys who hope to become our Head Boy. What a fantastic group of boys! I was blown away by their confidence presenting to a hall full of children and staff. They spoke clearly and had some exciting (and interesting!) ideas for the future of the school. We are all looking forward to seeing the Head Girl presentations on Monday.

Miss E Simmons

Head of School

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School Uniform Shop

Friday 8.50am – 9.30am

5 Oct
19 Oct
9 Nov
30 Nov
14 Dec

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

HMTC Oliver

The Snowman

SASO Children

Attitudes to Learning

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<p>Outstanding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">I challenge myself, take risks and I am a role model for other students.I am eager to learn and take full responsibility for my own learning.I am resilient and learn from my mistakes.I behave in a way which consistently helps myself and others to learn.	1
<p>Good</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">I challenge myself and am positive about my learning.I am beginning to take risks and show resilience when I make mistakes.I respond appropriately to instructions and do not disrupt lessons.I complete tasks on-time and to a good standard.	2
<p>Room for Improvement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">I am not challenging myself and should aim even higher to fulfil my potential.I am afraid to take risks and need to develop greater resilienceI require frequent reminders to focus upon learningI am slow to respond to instructions	3
<p>Cause for Concern</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">I do not focus in lessons.I do not take responsibility for my learning.I avoid challenge and give up easilyI regularly behave in a way which prevents myself and others from learningI often do not complete tasks to a satisfactory standard	4

Wisepay Reminders

Whole School

Trips for the forthcoming year

Year 5 & 6

Girls Football Fixtures

To be returned to School

Years 3 – 5

Nasal Flu Immunisation Consent

Years 3 - 6

Use of Images

Year 4 – Birch

Princess Helena College consent form

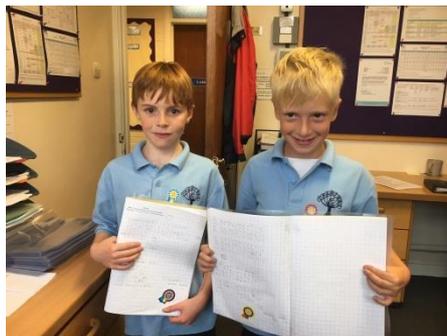
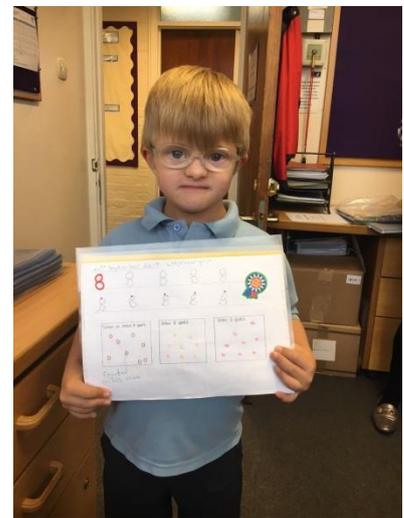
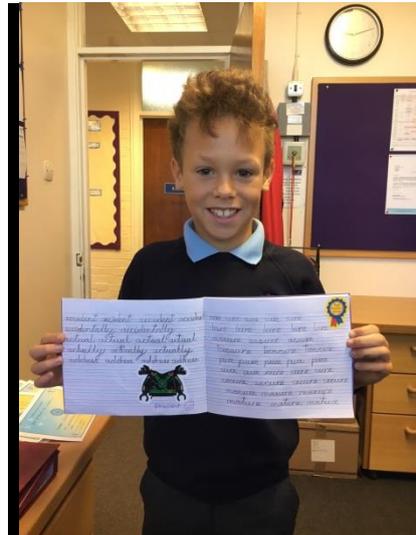




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A snap shot of our week!





Congratulations to the children who were voted in as school councillors this week.

Cedar	Holly	Jet
Rowan	Imogen	Oliver C
Ash	Amy	Isaac
Birch	Annabel	Will
Teak	James	Louise
Redwood	John	Darcy

District Schools In Bloom

Mrs Baillie-Lane, Mrs Richardson and Mrs Kwaricany accompanied Luca, Cameron and Will to the District Schools In Bloom presentation last Friday. The children were delighted to collect the runners up prize for the tallest sunflower – 1.77m tall – with the winning entry at 2m we weren't that far behind! The school received a nice tub, some children's gardening gloves and some plant food.



Congratulations Crabtree Junior School!

We have this week received a letter from the Director of Education Services at Herts for Learning congratulating us on our wonderful KS2 results.

“I was impressed by the percentage of Year 6 pupils who reached age related expectations (ARE) in reading, writing and maths combined and the percentage who reached greater depth (GD). Your school is one of 11 in Hertfordshire whose pupils achieved or exceeded 85% ARE and 30% GD.”

Lunchtime Choir – Years 3 & 4

Please remind your children on a Monday morning that if they signed up to attend the Lower School Choir then they are expected to turn up in the hall at 12.30pm please as a register is taken and time is wasted looking for children.

Messages for children

The office are receiving an ever increasing number of “going home” or messages to be passed to children.

Wherever possible arrangements should be made the day before and the children informed.

Naturally there will be “emergencies” and we will need to get messages to children and we would ask you to follow the procedures below;

- Messages are e:mailed to the school by 2:15pm – you will receive a response to confirm that has been received.
- At 2:30pm messages will be taken to class teachers.
- After 2:15pm please call the office and speak to a member of staff.

Katherine Warrington Open Day

In the absence of a physical school the Katherine Warrington School Open Day will be at Rothamstead Research Centre on Saturday 6 October from 10am – 2pm. Heads speeches at 10:30am, 12pm and 1:30pm

PE T-Shirts

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up on Wisepay to purchase a new house colour PE T-shirt. Please find below confirmation of the colour you should order for your child. Wisepay will close on 28 September so there is still time to order if you would like.

Old House Name	New Colour
Neptune	Blue (current T-shirt)
Mars	Yellow
Saturn	Red
Jupiter	Green

Stars of the Week



Cedar	Rachel for persevering with her maths work.
Rowan	William for creative ideas during our English lessons.
Ash	Kaitlyn for settling in to Ash and Crabtree so well.
Birch	Chloe for always going above and beyond and challenging herself in her work.
Teak	Alfie for showing a consistently positive attitude to all learning tasks this week
Redwood	Anjali for being an enthusiastic and helpful member of the class – my lunch options have never looked so neat!
Elm	Alfie for always being ready to learn and trying his best.
Elder	James for his excellent enthusiasm, participation and commitment during topic lessons.

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Sports Champion – Lower School

Charlie W – Ash – for great skill and enthusiasm in all PE lessons.

Sports Champion – Upper School

Danny – Elm – for showing great perseverance in gymnastics.

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.

