



# Crabtree Junior School

23<sup>rd</sup> February 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  
4**

**Year  
5**

**Year  
6**

## 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:**

**"Responsibility"**

### Diary Reminders

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February**

Year 5 – Astronomy  
Roadshow

Year 6 Netball - Home

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>  
February**

Year 4 - Roman Day

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

World Book Day

Year 6 - Indoor Athletics

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

Year 6 - Football Away

### School Letters

PA News

Dinner Bills

World Book Day

School's Out for Easter,  
Holiday Club

Dear Parents & Carers

This has been another action-packed week in school with activities ranging from a visit of The Young Shakespeare Company to a very visual assembly and presentation to parents by the children in Year 4. It really is amazing how much learning can be packed into five days!

On my learning walks through the school I have observed children researching the evolution of the human form, intricate gym displays, multi-stage mathematical word problems and everything in between. As teachers we are working hard to ensure that every pupil is not only 'taught' but also learns to be an inquisitive, independent learner – skills that will inevitably prepare the children well as they continue their educational journeys at secondary school and beyond. If you, as parents, hear from your children about just half of what goes on during a typical school day at Crabtree then you too, will have a flavour of just how inquisitive your children can be.

Thank you for being interested parents and I hope that many of you, like me, are learning new things each and every day from your children.

Mr Emeny  
Headteacher

### Wisepay Reminders

#### Whole School

**Super Hero Lunch** – only for children who do not already have a school meal on a Thursday (see below)

#### Year 3

Islamic Centre

#### Year 5

School Journey Instalments

#### Year 6

School Journey Instalments

## Flyers sent home

### School Uniform Shop

Friday 8.50am – 9.30am

9<sup>th</sup> March  
23<sup>rd</sup> March

### 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

Harpenden In Bloom Logo Competition

Jordans Mill



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



## Messages Home

The office are receiving an ever increasing number of “going home” 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 this 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.

## School Dinner Bills – Price Increase

Please be advised that the cost of the children’s school dinner will be increasing from £2.35 to £2.40 from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018.

## Fundraising thank you

Thank you to everyone who helped raise funds for last year’s house Charities. This week we received some lovely letters from Grace Muriel House and Save the Children, for whom we raised £218.04 & £209.49 respectively.

## Academy Website Steering Group – Volunteers Required

We are looking for one or two volunteers to join our academy website steering group currently comprising of Alexa Vaughan (Infant parent), Kathy Connolly (Junior parent), Sally Patrick (Headteacher, Infants) and Andrew Emeny (Headteacher, Juniors).

We are asking for you to join one or two meetings to help us to design a website brief to take forward. Please let either of the headteachers know by Friday 2nd March, via the school offices, if you are able to help.

You would also need to be available for our next meeting on Thursday 15th March at 2pm. Thank you.

## Harpenden in Bloom Logo Competition

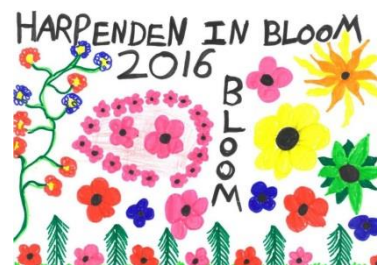
During half term, there is opportunity for your child to use their artistic skills to create a Harpenden in Bloom logo.

Please see the attached letter for more details. Entries need to be sent directly to the Amenities Officer at Harpenden Town Council, not to school by Friday March 2nd.

Below are some of the former logos so that your child may get some idea of what the judges might be looking for.

Good luck!

Mrs Baillie-Lane





## HARPENDEN LIONS CLUB

[www.harpenden-lions.co.uk](http://www.harpenden-lions.co.uk)

Harpenden Lions Club, the community support organisation, promotes Personal Social & Health Education, donating funds to local schools. It supports PSHE to encourage communication and basic life skills to provide a basis for other development and in turn benefits the community. The Club values the school's work equipping pupils with the range of skills for them to lead fulfilling lives.

Harpenden Lions Club has helped the school before and has recently donated £500 for our Jigsaw programme with lots of resources for each Year (this was funded by the Harpenden Trust who specifically asked that the funds be directed to Crabtree Junior School).

The Club seeks more members - whilst not wishing to take volunteers from the school, they would like to recruit persons when they feel able to contribute - parents, governors and teachers are welcome.

The Lions are involved in the community in practical ways when possible, helping individuals or other organisations, fundraising and donating the proceeds.

Enquiries welcome: Dave Price - [dave.price@harpenden-lions.co.uk](mailto:dave.price@harpenden-lions.co.uk)  
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## Stars of the Week



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| <b>Cedar</b>   | <b>Katya</b> , for consistently giving her best and always being ready to learn.                           |
| <b>Rowan</b>   | <b>Max</b> , for fantastic effort with focus and participation in all curriculum areas.                    |
| <b>Ash</b>     | <b>Peggy</b> , for a wonderful performance in the class assembly and generally being a 'class role model'. |
| <b>Birch</b>   | <b>Ted</b> , for his fantastic enthusiasm in the class assembly. He plays a Roman soldier perfectly.       |
| <b>Teak</b>    | <b>Ella</b> , for always being a keen and inquisitive learner in all curriculum areas. .                   |
| <b>Redwood</b> | <b>Evie</b> , for an exceptional attitude to learning across the entire curriculum.                        |

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**Elm**                    **Gautham**, for always contributing in class and trying his best in his learning.

**Elder**                    **Oliver F**, for great linguistic skills in French – c'est très bien!

## Sports Champion

**Sasha** – For great perseverance and determination in a tough netball game.

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.

