



# Crabtree Junior School

26<sup>th</sup> February 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 "Caring"

### Diary Reminders

#### Tues 1st March

NSPCC Assembly

#### Weds 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Yr 4 Hindu Workshop

#### Thursday 3rd March

World Book Day – Dress up at your favourite book character

Year 5 & 6 Indoor Athletics

#### Friday 4th March

9.10am Yr 3 Assembly

Yr6 Netball - Home

*Dear Parents,*

Thank you to parents for attending the 'Mastery' curriculum presentation last night. In due course I will attach the presentation to the Teaching and Learning section of the school's web site.

A note of 'congratulations' – My Deputy Headteacher Mrs Clements, currently on maternity leave, has recently secured the Headship of Kimpton Primary School. This is a well-deserved achievement and the school wishes her every success as she embarks upon this very exciting journey.

Mrs Clements will be back at Crabtree on the 21st March for the last two weeks of term giving us all an opportunity to say our farewells – although working within the consortium of schools in Harpenden District, I am sure she will keep in touch.

Ian Pattrick Headteacher

### Year 4 assembly

The School was blown away by the year 4's assembly. Only 3 days into the half term and they managed to pull off a brilliant performance.

We were particularly impressed with their songs and their French poetry depicting life in Ancient Rome.

The children clearly enjoyed performing and sharing their enthusiasm for the topic they are currently studying and this was contagious.

Well done Year 4.

**P.E**

### Year 6 Netball

On the final Friday of half term we went to Redbourn to play our netball League fixture. Our A team had a really tough time competing

## School letters

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

Eisteddfod

Crabtree Quiz Night Booking Form

Easter Holiday Club

Year 3 Mosque Visit

## Flyers

Wildchild

against a very strong attacking team and our defence put up a great battle but Redbourn beat us 9 -1. Ella P was named MVP.

Our B team had a much more even game with equal possession of the ball and we were actually 2 – 1 up at half time. However we were unfortunate not to score again in the second half and Redbourn came back to win 3 – 2. Georgia was named MVP.



On our first day back after half term we played St Hilda's school. Our B team played first and displayed some excellent play with some great distribution of the ball. The whole team played extremely well and we won 6 – 1. Lily was named MVP.

The A team played some great netball with possession being equal between the two teams. At half time we were losing 2 – 3. We talked about spacing out, accurate passes and slowing our play down. This had the desired effect and the girls went on to play some very competitive netball. It was a nail biting finish as we scored the final goal winning 8 – 7. Caitlin was named MVP.



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## Sewing Plea

Do you own a sewing machine? Our netball bibs are in perfect condition but they are in desperate need of new elastic to be sewn onto them. If you can help please let the office know. Thank you.

## Music

### Performance Platforms

The sign-up sheet for this is on the notice board. So far only one name has appeared! Please sign up in the next few days. If there are not enough names then, unfortunately, the platform will be cancelled. Thank you.

## Orchestra

Some very good effort is being made to learn the parts of the

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## E-Flyers:

**Sports Relief Mile**

**Fairtrade Breakfast**

**St Luke's Open Morning**

**Hertfordshire Inter County  
Junior Basketball Trials**

**Family Support Parenting  
Courses**

orchestra. Well done! Can I reiterate that players take their music to their music teachers if they have problems with the notes. Their music teachers will advise if the part needs to be adapted.

## Eisteddfod.

Mrs Gaines has spoken to all the children in assembly about a section in Eisteddfod called 'Digital Eisteddfod'. The children will be able to do something electronic, e.g. scratch / PowerPoint etc and bring it in to school on a memory stick or email it into the office. This will then be shown during the performance items.

Please do remember to send in your entries, a copy of the entry form is attached to the newsletter, but hard copies can be obtained from the office.

## World Book Day – Thursday 3rd March

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 3rd March and to celebrate we will be asking the children to dress up as their favourite book character. Prizes will be given for the best costumes.

Mrs Duncan & Mrs Goody will also be running a few sessions in the library where the children can make their own bookmark. These sessions will be at lunchtime on Monday 29th February and Thursday 3rd March between 12pm and 1pm.

Anyone who would like to participate is welcome to attend. Come and join in the fun and help to celebrate our love of books and reading.

## 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

### Book a Table for the Crabtree Quiz

There are still a few tables available for the annual Crabtree Quiz on Saturday 12 March. If you are interested, gather a team of 8-10

people to join in the fun! To secure table bookings please return your team form and payment (with gift aid form) by Thursday 3 March to [jane.sims2@googlemail.com](mailto:jane.sims2@googlemail.com). The cost is £12.50 per person and includes the quiz, a meal and voluntary £5 donation. There is a cash bar on the night. Good luck quizzers!

## Easy Fundraising

Are you using Easy Fundraising yet? Why not?! We're on a mission to get more Crabtree families signed up with this program which earns FREE MONEY for the school. Just create an account and a percentage of your online purchases from popular retailers will go to the Crabtree Schools' Parents' Association – and straight to use for your children! So next time you shop online from Amazon, Argos, John Lewis and more, don't forget to buy through [EasyFundraising.org.uk](http://EasyFundraising.org.uk).

## Stars of the Week



### *Dreams & Goals – People who have made a healthy choice.*

<b>Cedar</b>	<b>Kyle</b> , is always thoughtful about the choices that he makes, especially healthy ones!
<b>Rowan</b>	<b>Sophia</b> , for always trying to make the right choice be it for her well-being or the planets!
<b>Ash</b>	<b>Ellis</b> , for thoughtful ideas, helping him be a fantastic learner in class.
<b>Birch</b>	<b>Lucas</b> , for trying really hard to make good choices in the playground.
<b>Teak</b>	<b>Emily</b> , for showing a mature understanding of how risky behaviours can affect our health.
<b>Redwood</b>	<b>Felix</b> , for great participation in French. C'est très bien!
<b>Elm</b>	<b>Lily</b> , has developed in her maturity to make good choices. She is also a keen and passionate sports woman.
<b>Elder</b>	<b>Noah</b> , for having a healthy attitude towards a foreign language. Brilliant oral work in class and in the Wednesday morning group. Bon oral en francais!

## Sports Champions

**Matt F & Katie G**, for always being ready first and out on the playground warming up!

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