



Crabtree Junior School

28th April 2017

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

This term's school value is
"Respect"

Diary Reminders

Mon 1st May

Bank Holiday Monday

Tues 2nd, Wed 3rd, Fri 5th

School Chess Competition
(lunchtimes)

Weds 3rd May

3.15pm Yr 4 Football –
Beech Hyde

Thurs 4th May

School closed – Local
Elections

Dear Parents,

School Grounds Project

Exciting news..... we are now in the position to add another £10,000 to our 'totaliser' bringing the raised total to £130,000. A very well done to all of you who have contributed to this new amount.

However, we still have a long way to go to reach our mile stone of £225,000, yet with your continued support we are confident that we will get there.

As I mentioned some weeks ago 'Virgin money giving' is a very supportive way of contributing regular amounts to project funds. Whether you give £5, £10, £15 or more monthly, or even a 'one-off' amount this will significantly influence the money we raise. Please give serious consideration to this method as a way of supporting the project. Currently we have 15 families (out of over 300 families Infant and Junior) who support the project in this way; it would be greatly appreciated if more families would sign-up. The Virgin money giving link is highlighted below.

In due course the Parents Association will present parents with a more in-depth overview of project events and fundraising opportunities in a separate publication..... watch this space!

<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/charity->

[web/charity/finalCharityHomepage.action?charityId=1009753](http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/charity-web/charity/finalCharityHomepage.action?charityId=1009753)

Golf Day – We still have spaces!

Come and join Mr Patrick and staff (well some!) at Aldwickbury Golf Club on Saturday 1st July at 10.45 – 1st Tee off, 12.04.

We are hoping to attract up to a maximum of 50 golfers to take part in this exciting fundraising event.

The day will comprise of:

Bacon roll and coffee/tea to start

18 holes of golf

Sandwiches and chips on completion of round

Award ceremony comprising of: Best score, nearest the pin and longest drive.

Cost for the day is £70, 40% of which will go to the School Grounds Project.

If you can arrange your own '4 ball' all the better.

Ian Patrick
Headteacher

School Closed 4th May – Polling Day

Please remember that school will be closed to pupils on Thursday. This is due to the school being used as a Polling Station for the local elections.

Smartie Tubes

Are you still filling your Smartie tubes? Please can these be returned by the end of next week – thank you.

Midday Supervisors required

We are presently recruiting for midday supervisors to work either two days a week or every day for approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes starting at 11.50am.

If you are interested in this role or know of anyone in the local community who would like to apply for this vacancy, please contact the school office.

Wisepay – School Trips & Events

Wherever possible, from now on, school trips and events will be set up on Wisepay, where you can make payment, as applicable. This system but can also provide 'consent' for your child to take part in the activity; consider transport arrangements; medical details and any other information that we might feel is pertinent to the trip.

Simply log onto Wisepay, find the event, and complete the information requested. We hope this will make life easier and quicker for parents as there is no need to print the letter and send a reply slip into school if you have provided all the information on Wisepay.

If you need help with your Wisepay account, please contact the office. Thank you to those parents that have already started to use this process.

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Sports Clubs

Sports clubs started at Crabtree this week, well done to all those children who took part.

Can parents and pupils please be aware that we currently have waiting lists for some of the clubs and so if your child does not attend for 2 sessions, without a valid reason, they will lose their place in the club and it will be given to someone else. Also, if your child decides they do not want to do the club anymore can you please advise the office as soon as possible so their place can be filled. Thank you.

Chess



Congratulations to our Chess Team who attended the Harpenden & District Chess Tournament on Tuesday. Each competitor played 4 matches and everyone performed well under pressure, trying to remember all the moves they had been taught! With 14 schools taking part we were very proud to finish in joint 5th position.

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

PA Children's Disco

Crabtree Golf Day



WisePay

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.



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Year 5 Table Tennis at The Kings School



On Wednesday we were once again superbly hosted by Kings School when I took a team of Year 5 children to play Table Tennis. The children organised their own games with the Kings children and also had an opportunity to receive some expert coaching on the table tennis feeding robot. A massive thank you to Mr Case, Kings School P.E teacher, and the parents for supporting this event.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

Thank you to everyone that has been collecting the Active Kids Vouchers from Sainsbury's. The vouchers will be available to collect at Sainsbury's until **Tuesday 2nd May**, but you will have until **Friday 23rd June** to bring these into school.

DVD's

Thank you to all the parents that loaned copies of their DVDs for the Crabtree Film Night. We still have a copy of The BFG and Trolls in the office waiting to be collected. Please let the office know if these are yours and we will return these to you.

From the Parents' Association

Parents' Association News & Events

Please Follow Us on Facebook

The PA is using Facebook to update and remind parents of the various events and activities going on at Crabtree, and to report back on what you've raised and how it's helping the school. Please go to Facebook now to "like" and follow "Crabtree Schools' Parents' Association"
www.facebook.com/CrabtreeSchoolsPA/

Summer Fayre Team Members Needed

The Summer Fayre is Saturday, 24th of June. Mark your calendars! Could it be your turn to take on a role to help with this event? Specifically, we're looking for someone to organize the Mega Mega Raffle (see details below) and for someone or a few friends to organize the Fayre next year. It's fun for all and a huge fundraiser for the school. *MEGA MEGA RAFFLE - The role requires just 5 or so hours spread out over a few months. It includes selecting 3 prizes, working with our printers to print tickets, then organising the tickets and a sign for the event. Can you please take on this role? Contact: findindhu@yahoo.com

Adult Summer Party & Disco - Saturday, 20th May

Tickets still available! £20 per person, with all proceeds going to the Field Project. It's going to be a great night with dancing, drinks and a Thai noodle bar! Details and online tickets available here:
<http://buytickets.at/crabtreeschoolpa/80507>

Children's School Disco - Friday, 12th May

Time for the kids to boogie! Infants disco 5-6pm. Juniors disco 6:30-7:30 pm. Come with a crazy hairstyle. Drop-off or parents can stay. Tickets are £3.50. Please buy in advance online: <http://buytickets.at/crabtreeschoolpa/95241>

Fabric Collection - Friday 12th May

This will be our last Bags2School collection, so please bag and donate any old clothes and fabric you don't need. The PA will receive payment based on the weight of the bags we collect. The children will bring home a collection bag with specific information on what can and can't be donated, or visit uk.bag2school.com. Please drop these bags at the Infants School at the following times:

Thursday 11th May - 6.30pm - 7.30pm (Evening Drop)

Friday 12th May - 8.45am - 9.15am (Morning Drop)

Stars of the Week



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| Cedar | Alfie , for always being 100% enthusiastic and an active participant in all lessons. |
| Rowan | Ted , for participating so well orally in French. Très Bien! |
| Ash | Ally , for her super effort and participation with our topic. |
| Birch | Olivia , for her mature attitude to her learning progress in all lessons recently. |
| Teak | Alys , for excellent effort and progress in maths so far this term. |
| Redwood | Sophia , for brilliant problem solving and effort in maths. |
| Elm | Mattias , for being an enthusiastic and thoughtful member of the class. |
| Elder | Sarah , for consistently hard work in maths. |

Sports Champion

Olivia T, for being a fantastic chess champion at the District Tournament.

Challenge Champions

Lola for making her own Emoji.....to sit on!

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.

