



# Crabtree Junior School

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

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

**"Trust"**

### Diary Reminders

#### **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

Yr 3 – Swimming

Yr 4 – Summer Language Fair

#### **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**

Sports Day

#### **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

Parent Tour

#### **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July**

County Finals Day

Non-Uniform Day - Crisis

Dear Parents & Carers

A wasted day?

Once again I write from afar having been in the Isle of Wight with our Year 6 children this week on their final trip away as pupils at Crabtree School.

Time was, when school trips were limited to a day out at the local outdoor swimming pool or a visit to the likes of Orford Castle. The latter, if my memory of the history of Suffolk is intact, being the stately home of Henry II for a short while.

How wonderful then, to have witnessed our Year 6 children in such a different context this week. They have truly been a credit to you their parents and also to our school. The week has inevitably been non-stop and the Year 6 children have embraced new challenges, supported and collaborated with one another and been keen to help out the adults at every opportunity.

I would like to thank you for allowing us to enjoy their company this week and for entrusting them to our care. I hope their stories will give you a flavour of all that's taken place.

And one final thought; my father at the tender age of 92 still suggests that if a day passes by without learning occurring then that day has been wasted... He'll be pleased to know that there's been no chance of that happening this past week!

Enjoy the sunshine.

Andrew Emeny

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## School Letters

PA News

## Flyers sent home

The Little Welly Obstacle & Festival

## School Uniform Shop

Friday 8.50am – 9.30am

13<sup>th</sup> July

## 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

Iron on school name labels



Year 6 enjoying their last morning on the beach!

## Sport

### Crabtree World Cup Football

Congratulations to everyone who played on Saturday afternoon, there was some very exciting football.

| <u>Year 3 &amp; 4 – Semi Finals</u>            | <u>Year 5 &amp; 6 – Semi Finals</u> |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| Russia 2 v Iceland 1                           | England 0 v Germany 4               |
| Holland 4 v Argentina 1                        | Switzerland 0 v Argentina 1         |
| <b>Final</b><br><b>Germany 1 v Argentina 3</b> |                                     |

### District Sports 2018





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On Tuesday evening Sir John Lawes hosted the Junior District Athletics. It was a beautiful sunny evening with all our children representing their school with great spirit and determination.

There was lots of success and the children did a fabulous job of ensuring they tried their hardest but also they supported all the other Crabtree children as well.

Our Finalists were: In the flat races: Ruby, Daniel, Luisa, Alex, Nina, Zach and Charlie

Well done to Daniel who was Y3 District Champion; Alex 2nd Y4; Nina and Zach 3rd Y5.

Relays: Well done to the finalists: Y3 Boys were District Champions! Year 4 boys were 2nd!

Distance Races: Well done Evie Y5 who was 2nd; Louise and Thomas in Y4 who were 3rd; Max Y3 was 6th and Amelie Y3 who was 7th.

A massive well done to our Year 5 children who competed in all the Year 6 events this year as our Year 6 are away. You were brilliant!!! Also our reserves who came and supported - this too was greatly appreciated.

We came 3rd overall in the boys Athletics cup so a great evening had by all.

Thank you to all athletes and supporters!

### Sports Day

Please find attached the information that was sent home last week regarding sports day on Tuesday. The PA have kindly lent us their gazebos for the day but we would appreciate any parents who could come into school at 8.15am to put them up for us – please let the office know if you can help - thank you.

The children should come to school dressed in their PE Kits please and wearing a T-shirt in their house colour. They must all have a sun hat to wear and please apply sun cream in the morning.

Please note house colours have now changed. Mrs Tizard runs several inter-house events during PE lessons throughout the year and to make life easier the house colours have been changed to reflect the coloured bibs and equipment that she uses.

Further information regarding the house system will follow in September but the colours for sports day on Tuesday are as follows:

Jupiter – Green

Saturn – Red

Mars – Yellow

Neptune – Blue

### Sports Clubs – Autumn Term 2018

A new timetable of clubs available to the children from September will be sent home next week. Information will be e:mailed to you and you should sign up on Wisepay in the usual way.

### Team Photos

Proofs for team photos have been sent home this week. Order needs to be returned to school by Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July at the latest please. You can still order photos online until Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July for delivery to school. Prints of the photos are available to look at in the office.

### School shoes

An increasing number of children are wearing trainers to school. Can we remind parents that the school uniform code requests black shoes (closed toe). If there is a specific reason your child is not adhering to our code could you please e:mail the office to request an exception. Your support is appreciated.

## Funds for Jossie

I just thought I'd give an update on the amount that was raised at the Summer Fair on the stall I set up and ran to raise funds for Jossie.

The Crabtree Community were really supportive and I must also mention the large number of Crabtree children both in Jossie's class and in other years throughout both Infant and Junior Schools, who came up and donated their own money into the collection boxes that were on the table – a huge thank you to them, especially when there were so many treats, snacks and goodies that they could have used this money for – this was testament to their kind generosity.

The total raised amounted to £493 which is amazing and this has been paid into Jossie's campaign account.

Kindest regards,

Katherine Scott



## Book Giveaway - Friday 13th July in the playground

This year we have been overwhelmed with the generous book donations made to the library. They really help us to keep the shelves fresh, interesting and current for the children. Please keep them coming, we are always grateful. We also had a wonderful book fair which has allowed us to buy some of the most up to date titles.

This means that we have some great quality duplicate books that we don't require and some older books that have served their time so on Friday the 13th of July we will be giving away books in the playground after school. Please come along and choose some summer reading. You will also be able to pick up a copy of this year's summer reading bingo sheet.

If you'd like to make a small donation for Jossie in return we would be grateful and if you ever want to come and see our wonderful library we are in the portacabin and open before school on Wednesday and Friday mornings - do drop in.

## Jossie's silent auction

The online auction in aid of Jossie's treatment is coming to an end this Saturday evening. You can still get a bargain.

<https://autionofpromises.com/auctionread.aspx?a%3d3247%26rtnpag%3dlotread.aspx%3fl%36898%26md%3d>

The items include a gorgeous Lulu Guinness purse, an HP inkjet printer, a champagne afternoon tea at the Savoy, a painting by Peter Heard, a kitchen tap, lots of 4 ball golf sessions, 4 arsenal tickets for a premier league game, 2 return flights with easyjet (please note that these cannot be taken during school holidays!) + champagne in the aspire lounge at the airport, a month's membership at a hot yoga studio in St Albans, 3 sports massages, 10 sessions with a personal trainer.

Feel free to share this auction with friends and businesses who may be interested in bidding.

There are also two fantastic lots from Novelli including a chance for ten people to attend his academy for a day's course and the opportunity for him and an assistant chef to come to your house and cook a three course meal for 12 people (starting bid for this is £4000 but all the money will go directly to the cause. Why not get together with your friends and bid together!).

We now know that the 4 premier tickets at Emirates Stadium can be for one of the following premiere matches:

Arsenal v West Ham on Sat 15th August  
Arsenal v Everton on Sat 22nd September  
Arsenal v Watford on Sat 29th September  
Arsenal v Leicester City on Sat 20th October

The online auction folders have been collected in and we will be getting in touch with the successful bidders in due course – please bear with us during this very busy time of year!

## Schools Out, Summer Holiday Club – Extra Exciting Activities!

**Monday 23rd July to Friday 31st August**

Our 'School's Out' Summer Holiday Club is now on our online booking system and ready to book. [www.crabtreeinfants.herts.sch.uk/log-in](http://www.crabtreeinfants.herts.sch.uk/log-in)

As well as our usual cooking, arts, crafts, sport, music activities etc, we also have the following exciting activities taking place over the summer:

Apex 360 Sports: professional coaches are joining us to deliver team building games and a variety of sports.

Kids Yoga will be provide classes that promote and maintain strength and flexibility as well as creativity and kindness to others.

Active Creative will be providing dance classes that develop physical skills, captures imagination, and enhances musicality.

Helen O'Grady Drama Academy: will be providing fun and inspiring drama for the children

So there are lots of varied activities for children to choose! They are all optional and the children can join in if and when they like. These additional activities are all included in our usual club price and if you would like to know the specific dates for any of the above or have any other queries, please do not hesitate to contact School's Out on [schoolisout@outlook.com](mailto:schoolisout@outlook.com) or call 07561 330413

### Stars of the Week



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| <b>Cedar</b> | <b>Rachel</b> , for her excellent attitude towards her computing project and great teamwork.                  |
| <b>Rowan</b> | <b>Benji</b> , for a fabulous week – great enthusiasm at District Athletics and wonderful behaviour in class! |
| <b>Ash</b>   | <b>Alex Sm</b> , for an excellent discussion text and contribution to this unit as a whole.                   |

**Birch**            **Zach and Finn**, for their fantastic presentation and poster on the kiwi bird for our endangered species project – great effort!

**Teak**            **Henry P**, for amazing enthusiasm and commitment at the Herts Young Mariners Base.

**Redwood**      **James**, for amazing writing in our suspense and mystery unit – an author in the making.

### Sports Champion

Daniel E for being a double District Champion.

### Challenge Champions

Cameron for a brilliant two weeks, showing real dedication and teamwork on the school journey and being a caring and supportive role model to other children in the school.

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.

