



# Crabtree Junior School

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

**This term's school value is**

**"Respect"**

## Diary Reminders

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> – Weds 5<sup>th</sup> July**

Yr5 School Journey

**Weds 5<sup>th</sup> July**

Yr 6 Rounder's Tournament

**Fri 7th July**

Sports Day

**Uniform Shop  
Opening Times**

**FRIDAYS 8.50 – 9.30**

14th July

Dear Parents,

### **Road safety & parking**

*We have yet again received complaints from both parents and neighbours about the inconsiderate parking and road safety of parents dropping off and collecting their children from both the Crabtree Schools. We are appealing to the minority of parents who continue to park on the double yellow lines to find alternative places to park and drop off. The purpose of the double yellow lines are to indicate that this is not a safe place to stop as it makes it very difficult, and unsafe, for those who are crossing the road. Parents parking across neighbours driveways will inevitably lead to unavoidable confrontations and frustrations spilling over.*

*Please can we take this opportunity to ask you again to walk around the school on the footpaths available rather than cutting corners through the car park. We are witnessing more and more parents walking their children through the car park and even children cycling and scooting in the car park and have several accounts of 'near misses' from shaken members of staff who have pulled into the car park.*

### **Safeguarding – 'snapchat'**

This message went out at St Georges and I thought it would be good to share:

Your sons and daughters may use the messaging service 'Snapchat' (they are significantly under age if they do).

This allows messaging which auto-deletes after 10 seconds, which can lure children into sending inappropriate material. That messaging can survive beyond its expected life if the recipient uses a screen grab or other specialist means, in which case whatever has been sent is potentially out there for good.

Snapchat now shows where any of the user's (your child's) friends are at any time. It uses GPS to precisely pinpoint on a map where the users are, even changing to a car when they move quickly. Your child and other users are depicted by a 'Bitmoli'. Once you get onto the Snap Map it'll show you where your Snapchat friends are and what they are doing there if they share a picture. The update also allows you to upload Snaps to the "Our Story" so that anyone can see your picture. It may sound like innocent fun but if your children have their location shared then people can potentially track them down.

## School letters

Please ask the School Office if you require a paper copy

## Dinner Bills

The map shows exactly where they are which has raised serious concerns. While a third party would need to know your child's username, and for them to accept their friend request, to access this information it is often easy to find it online. Slightly less alarming, but problematic in terms of relational bullying, for a child to be able to see half a dozen peers are all down at The Shaken Cow while they didn't get asked can magnify unhelpful feelings.

If a user doesn't want their location shared then you can set up a "Ghost Mode" to keep it private.

It would be a good idea to check your child's settings, and ensure they are set to 'ghost mode' if necessary.

More information can be found

at <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/technology/2017/06/23/police-issue-child-safety-warning-snapchat-maps-update-reveals/> or just Google snapchat ghost to see what police and other child protection experts think about this new hazard.

*Ian Pattrick*  
*Headteacher*

## Sports & Club Photographs

The sports and club photograph order forms have been sent home this week. Please can you return all orders to the school office by **Tuesday 4th July** After this date you will need to order your own photographs on line.

## Sports Day – Friday 7 July

The children should come to school next Friday ready for sports day. Each child should wear a T-shirt in their house colour.

Jupiter – Black

Mars - White

Neptune – Blue

Saturn - Red

The children will be outside all day so if it's hot please ensure they have sun cream applied in the morning and have a hat with them. Everyone must have a water bottle in school please.

Parents are invited to join us in the afternoon to support the children in their track events. The gate at the top of the field will be opened at 1.10pm.

## PE

### District Sports 2017



What a fabulous evening of athletics last night. The Crabtree Children were amazing with their enthusiasm, skill and sportsmanship. I was very proud of all the children's achievements.



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.



# CRABTREE COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

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## Flyers:

**Katherine Warington  
Public Exhibition**

**Summer Technology  
Camp**

## E-Flyers:

**St Albans Hockey Camp**

**The Parental Puzzle**

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Special mention to the boys who finished 2<sup>nd</sup> overall out of 15 schools which is brilliant!

We had lots of children make it to the finals. Well done to the Year 5 boys relay team who came 1<sup>st</sup>, Alex R 1<sup>st</sup> in the sprint and 3<sup>rd</sup> in triple jump, Alex S 2<sup>nd</sup> in sprint, Nina S 2<sup>nd</sup> in sprint, Year 3 boys relay 3<sup>rd</sup> and Year 6 boys relay 4<sup>th</sup>.

In the new longer distance event we did particularly well with Finn 2<sup>nd</sup>, Tom 4<sup>th</sup>, Greg 2<sup>nd</sup> and Gabriella 4<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you to all those that supported - your cheers were greatly appreciated

## From the Parents' Association

### UPCOMING DATES

\*Saturday, 1 July – Beat Mr. Patrick at Crabtree's Golf Day, spaces still available

\*Friday, 14 July – Last chance to visit the School Uniform Shop this term. Open 9am.

\*Friday, 21 July – Crabtree Duck Race (Last day of school picnic at Batford Springs)

**THANKS FOR A FUN SUMMER FAYRE!** We hope you enjoyed the Fayre last Saturday. The event raised £5,000! Thank you to all who helped on stalls, setting up and clearing, donating items and by coming along with your families! A special "well done" to Natalie Ramsay and Emma Regan who sold the sponsorship.

The PA organised the event this year with less resources than it needed and at the moment the Summer Fayre will not take place next year because we don't have anyone or any group to be the lead organisers. If you know a person or group in the Crabtree community who could make the 2018 Summer Fayre a success please do give them a nudge! We have a lot of existing knowledge and plans that we can share as needed and the PA gives lots of support. The work usually starts in early January so we need volunteers by the end of the Autumn term. Contact [caroline\\_a\\_smith@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:caroline_a_smith@yahoo.co.uk) with questions or interest.

**DID YOU BUY CUPCAKES AT THE FAYRE?** The cake stall accidentally sold 8 cupcakes IN a cupcake holder that wasn't meant to be sold. If you bought it, could you please return the cupcake holder/container to the school office as it is part of a set and the baker would like it returned. Many thanks!

**BEAT MR PATTRICK AT GOLF** Following Mr Patrick's soaking in the stocks at Saturday's Fayre, don't miss an opportunity to beat him on the golf course! You can still join in "Crabtree Golf Day" at Aldwickbury Golf Club on Saturday 1st July. Cost is £70 pounds including breakfast, lunch, 18 holes of golf and awards. Plus 40% goes to the School Grounds Project. Sign up with the junior school office [admin@crabtreejm.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@crabtreejm.herts.sch.uk)

**ICE CREAMS NEXT FRIDAY 7th JULY** We'll be selling ice creams after school next Friday following the Juniors Sports Day. So plan to bring your £1 coins and share a treat with us in the school playgrounds.

### SAVE THE DATE! THE 1st CRABTREE DUCK

**RACE** We have 1,000 (toy) ducks ready to race down Batford Springs on Friday 21 July, the last day of term. The ducks will be released at 3pm from the stepping stones at Batford Springs and race to the bridge by the Marquis of Granby. Bring a picnic and towel and plan to enjoy this fun new event with your Crabtree friends! Stay tuned as "ducks"/ tickets will be on sale very soon!

## Stars of the Week



<b>Cedar</b>	<b>Rhea</b> , for giving 100% effort at all times. An excellent role model.
<b>Rowan</b>	<b>Elina</b> , for her calm completion of our assessments and work this term.
<b>Ash</b>	<b>Sophia</b> , for her consistent effort in math's lessons.
<b>Birch</b>	<b>Georgia</b> , for her enthusiasm for learning across the curriculum, well done!
<b>Teak</b>	<b>Oliver</b> , for enthusiastic contributions and work in all areas.
<b>Redwood</b>	<b>Zayd</b> , for showing resilience and positivity in the face of adversity during the Year 5 KNEX Challenge.
<b>Elm</b>	<b>Amelie</b> , for consistently hard work across the curriculum.
<b>Elder</b>	<b>Alex P</b> , for persevering and rising to a challenge when making her frog.

## Sports Champion

**Luisa for great determination and an inspiring attitude.**

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.

