



The Infant Informative



Happy Diwali

Thursday 20th October 2022

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A shorter week, but no less busy! Year 2 celebrated their Castle Day complete with amazing costumes, re-enactments and medieval games! It was so great to see so many parents attend and get involved in the afternoon. These days are always so enjoyable and most importantly, the children use them to consolidate their learning over the last few weeks and remember this knowledge in their core memory.

We started the week with a Breck Foundation assembly in school for Year 1 and 2. Parents also joined a parents workshop online in the evening. Thank you for those who attended, I can't stress the importance of online safety enough for our young learners.

This week I also met with our new Family Support Worker. All of the schools across our academy have 'pitched in' to hire someone to work at home with families as needed. This will be an extremely helpful role to 'bridge the gap' between home life and school. If you have any worries or concerns at home about your children or indeed yourself, please do contact us. We are always here to help and support.

The first round of admissions for our nursery have now closed. We will work through them against our admissions criteria and let families know the outcome of these shortly. Excitingly, we have successfully recruited our nursery leads. They are very experienced in every way and we can't wait to start working with them. Additional positions for our nursery are now live on eTeach.

Thank you to all families and children for their hard work this half-term. It has been a really successful half-term with lots of engaging opportunities for our learners. I hope the support from families continues after the break.

I wish you all a brilliant October rest and look forward to seeing you all when we return on the 2nd Nov. Mr O'Shea :)

Our Safeguarding Team

Benedict O'Shea, Headteacher - Designated Safeguarding Lead

Kim Berry Year 2 Teacher - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

*A message from our Assistant Headteacher
Miss Saunders*

Before half term, I would just like to say a huge thank you to all the parents and children for being so welcoming. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know your children and am excited for the half term ahead.

Thank
you!

DIARY DATES

Children return to school on Wednesday 2nd October

School photos being taken on Wednesday 2nd November

PTA Hot chocolate sale on Friday 4th November 3pm

Reception Usbourne Book fair 8th November @

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This week we have...

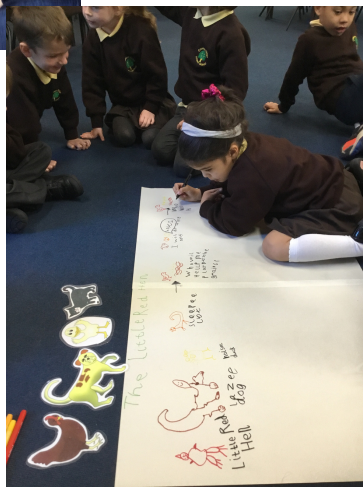
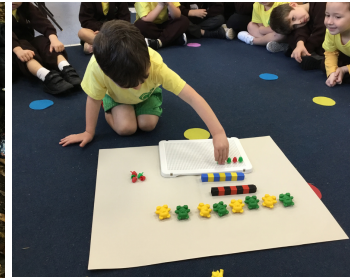
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Our story of the week this week has been Tidy by Emily Gravett. We have enjoyed the beautiful pictures and autumn themes in the story and have been having our own tidy ups around our different areas.

Our focus in Maths this week has been repeating patterns, we have made these through using coloured pegs, natural outdoor resources, stamps and clapping different patterns. Can the children make a pattern at home to show you?

We have been down to the woodland area this week and enjoyed making leaf crowns, bark and leaf rubbings and more patterns with natural materials.

On Thursday, we spent the day celebrating and learning all about Diwali, we even made our own candle holders to hold our own light.



This week in Year 1 we read the story of The Little Red Hen. We made group story maps and stick puppets and then used them to act out the story. Just like the Little Red Hen we then made and baked our very own loaves of bread and enjoyed having the chance to eat them! Continuing the eating and tasting theme, our Science work this week focused on the senses of smell and taste. We had great fun guessing what was in our mystery boxes using just our sense of smell. The tasting proved popular too – we tasted salt, sugar, lemon and dark chocolate and discussed the words salty, sweet, sour and bitter. In RE we found out all about baptism and in Geography we listened to the story of the Town Mouse and the Country Mouse. We discussed and compared the features of a town and the countryside. We enjoyed our Gymnastics work, putting all the skills that we have learnt this half term into creating sequences of balances, jumps, travels and rolls on the apparatus and mats.

YEAR 1

YEAR 2

The lords and ladies of Year 2 have had another fantastic week. This week we have been learning different methods for subtraction including partitioning and exchanging. In English we have written our own adventure stories based on the tales of Sir Charlie Stinky Socks. The children wrote some very imaginative stories using adverbs and expanded noun phrases. By far the highlight of our week was castle day. The children all wonderful time learning about life in medieval times, dancing, learning medieval games, trying their hand at calligraphy and even joining jester school. We were delighted that so many parents were able to come in and join us at the end of castle day, the children loved sharing their learning with their families.



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PTA news and clubs



Halloween Colouring and Poem Competition

Half term has arrived! In your book bag you should find a Halloween colouring sheet to do over half term. Ask your child to write their spookiest poem and/or do their scariest colouring or decoration.

Bring it back to school after half term and drop it into the green PTA postbox, which is outside Topaz class with a £1 coin taped onto the sheet.

Please return it by Wednesday 2nd November.

Mr O'Shea will look at all the poems and coloured pumpkins, and will decide a winner for each one. Both winners will feature in Mr O'Shea's newsletter on the 4th November.

Year R Parents Cheese and Wine evening

If you're a year R parent or carer, please come along to our free cheese and wine evening. It's at 7.30pm on Friday 11th November in the school hall. It's a great chance to meet other parents and it's completely free.

Let us know if you can make it here: https://www.pta-events.co.uk/cris/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=52659#.YO_2KHbMK3A

Boo!

We need your help with our new Learning Hub

We are repurposing our school library into a learning hub that all children will be able to take advantage of. This area will not only house books, but be equipped like a mini-classroom with tables, chairs, an interactive whiteboard and a cosy area with beanbags and pillows. This will be funded by the PTA. As we need to keep costs low we are looking for anyone who can give up some spare time to complete some of the following jobs:

- Paint four walls white
- Remove some shelving
- Remove some low-level benching
- Help with removal of items into school storage
- Clean the carpet
- Build/erect some book storage shelving



If you think you can help with any of these jobs, please contact the PTA or call the school office.

Jam Coding was undersubscribed at the beginning of September, so it cannot run this half term. If there is enough interest, hopefully it will start again after half term - please contact Jam Coding to sign up.

CLUBS

<https://www.crawleyridge.co.uk/parents/clubs>

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Playball Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Playball Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Hotsteppers Dance Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Ultimate Coaching Year 1 & 2 Dodgeball 3pm - 4.15pm	Ultimate Coaching Year 1 & 2 Football 3pm - 4.15pm
Jam Coding Year 1 & 2 3.05pm - 4.00pm	Yoga Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm		Boogie Pumps Drama Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	

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You might be interested in...

ST PAUL'S CHURCH
LIGHT PARTY 2022
 4PM-6PM
 MONDAY 31ST OCTOBER

A Halloween alternative for families with children aged 0-11

Dress Code: Neon

ST PAUL'S CHURCH CAMBERLEY, GU15 2AD

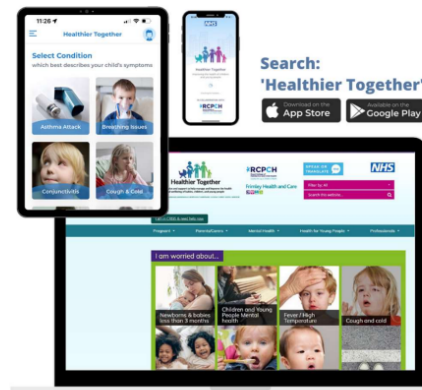
hot dog dinner
 games & crafts
 dancing & music
 prayer space & family worship
 treat bags & glow sticks
 toddler zone with softplay

SUGGESTED DONATION:
 £2 PER FAMILY

ANY QUESTIONS - YOUTH@STPAULSCAMB.CO.UK

Frimley Healthier Together App launch

- October sees the launch of the Frimley Healthier Together App which is now available to download from your app store of choice.
- The app provides parents and carers easy access to NHS traffic light guidance on a range of childhood illnesses, allowing them to see advice on what 'red-flag' signs to look out for, where to seek help if required, what to do to keep a child comfortable and how long a child's symptoms are likely to last.
- Note that the app does not replace the [Frimley Healthier Together](https://www.frimleyhealthier.com) website, but is complimentary, allowing fast access to the traffic light guidance functionality.
- Any questions can be directed towards Kirsty.north6@nhs.net or zara.devine@nhs.net.



MENU

Food. Health. Earth. **AUTUMN/WINTER 2022/23**

FREE

for every Gastronomist in Reception and Years 1 and 2! (worth £460 per school year)

OR

ONLY £2.60

Outstanding quality prepared by award winning Chefs

Reduced sugar and salt recipes

Unlimited freshly baked bread and vegetables, crudites or salad bar every day

WEEK 1

Week starting: 31 Oct
21 Nov | 12 Dec | 16 Jan
6 Feb | 6 Mar | 27 Mar

MONDAY	Margherita pizza with herby potatoes and coleslaw	✓
	Veggie bean taco with herby potatoes and coleslaw	✓
	DESSERT: Fruit salad*	✓
TUESDAY	Chicken katsu curry with white rice and broccoli	
	Cheese and potato pie with baked beans	✓
	DESSERT: Chocolate crunch and custard	✓
WEDNESDAY	Roast British gammon with roast potatoes, carrots and gravy	
	Vegan sausage with roast potatoes, peas and gravy	✓
	DESSERT: Yoghurt selection	✓
THURSDAY	Beef Bolognese with wholemeal pasta and sweetcorn	
	Oriental tofu stir fry with noodles and green beans	✓
	DESSERT: Apple crumble & custard*	✓
FRIDAY	Salmon and sweet potato fishcake with oven baked chips and baked beans	
	Falafel burger and tomato salsa with oven baked chips and peas	✓
	DESSERT: Vanilla ice cream	✓

WEEK 2

Week starting: 7 Nov
28 Nov | 2 Jan | 23 Jan
20 Feb | 13 Mar

MONDAY	Mac 'n' cheese with herby potatoes and mixed salad	✓
	Veggie burrito with herby potatoes and mixed salad	✓
	DESSERT: Oaty apple muffin with fresh apple slices*	✓
TUESDAY	Jerk chicken rice and peas	
	Tomato and basil gnocchi with garlic bread and sweetcorn	✓
	DESSERT: Chocolate brownie	✓
WEDNESDAY	Roast British beef with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes, broccoli and gravy	
	Vegan Cumberland sausage with roast potatoes, carrots and gravy	✓
	DESSERT: Fruit salad*	✓
THURSDAY	Pork and carrot meatballs in tomato sauce with wholemeal pasta and green beans	
	Sweet potato and jackfruit curry with white rice and cauliflower	✓
	DESSERT: Yoghurt selection	✓
FRIDAY	Pollock fish fingers with oven baked chips and baked beans	
	Vegetable fingers with oven baked chips and peas	✓
	DESSERT: Chocolate and orange shortbread	✓

WEEK 3

Week starting: 14 Nov
5 Dec | 9 Jan | 30 Jan
27 Feb | 20 Mar

MONDAY	Shepherdless pie with peas	✓
	Cheese and broccoli quiche with freshly baked bread and carrots	✓
	DESSERT: Lemon drizzle cake	✓
TUESDAY	Cumberland pork sausages with mashed potato and green beans	
	Mediterranean vegetable pasta bake with sweetcorn	✓
	DESSERT: Jaffa cake pots*	✓
WEDNESDAY	Roast British chicken with sage and onion stuffing, roast potatoes, winter greens and gravy	
	Quorn fillet with sage and onion stuffing, roast potatoes, winter greens and gravy	✓
	DESSERT: Yoghurt selection	✓
THURSDAY	Beef fajita pasta with broccoli	
	Veggie Moroccan meatballs with wholemeal pasta and carrots	✓
	DESSERT: Fruit salad*	✓
FRIDAY	Breaded Pollock fillet with oven baked chips and peas	
	Vegan nuggets with oven baked chips and baked beans	✓
	DESSERT: Chocolate & pear sponge	✓

JOIN OUR SOCIAL CHANNELS!

We have so much more to show, to say, to talk about and we do just that on our social channels regularly! So join us and be a part of the conversation.

Follow us @itsTwelve15

*Suitable for Vegetarians.
 *Desserts highlighted with an asterisk contain a minimum of 50% fruit. Fruit or yoghurt is available daily as an alternative to the advertised pudding. Please check with the school as the menus may be changed to meet the needs of the school.

Surrey Healthy Schools
 Twelve 15 are supporting Healthy Schools in Surrey

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Reading stars & PANTS

NSPCC Pantosaurus

Along with many schools across the country, at Crawley Ridge Infant School we use the NSPCC Pantosaurus rule to help to teach children about keeping themselves safe. With the help of the friendly Pantosaurus dinosaur, adults, both at school and at home, can teach children about how to stay safe from abuse.

At a level appropriate for their own age, all children learn about how the parts of their bodies which are covered by their underwear are private parts and are not for other people to see or touch and how important it is to talk to someone about anything which upsets or worries them.

Pantosaurus Song

Meet Pantosaurus - our pant-wearing Dino! He wants every child to stay safe and strong, just like him, and he's on a mission to share an important message.

<https://youtu.be/-LL07JOGU5o>

Please visit the following link for advice on how to answer questions from children on this subject.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/pants-how-to-answer-questions/>



READING STARS



New this term! When a child has read at home at least three times in the week and this is documented by an adult at home (reading record book signed three times) they will receive a golden star sticker. These will be stuck to the back of reading records. There is a competition to see which children at school will collect the most!! This will hopefully encourage children to ask and plead to read at home, which is the key to reading for pleasure.

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Reading - Oxford owl

Reading is the most important aspect of any school's curriculum. Reading inspires children, improves vocabulary and speaking, helps with writing and is a genuine life skill that opens the doors for your child's future.

All children will have a book issued to them. This will be in their bookbag. These books will be at your child's reading level. Books should be readable and not too challenging – children should be able to read them successfully. This improves the chances of children developing a love and passion for books. If they are too challenging, research shows reading then becomes a chore and is not as enjoyable for young readers. Children must also be able to comprehend/understand the book they have read.

Children in Reception will start their phonics lessons next week. For now, they will be issued with a wordless book. Children learn how to hold and use a book; turning the pages and talking about the images they see. Parents can ask questions such as:

- What can you see in the picture?
- What number is on the page?
- What do you think will happen next?
- What is your favourite picture - why?
- What part of the story would you change - why?

In addition to children's books in book bags, our school also has an online eLibrary. This allows teachers to allocate groups of books to children. These can be read at home on a laptop, iPad, tablet or mobile device. At school, we will monitor which children are using the eLibrary and prizes will be awarded to those participating consistently.

I cannot encourage and emphasise enough how important it is to read at home with and to your child. We will be running phonics workshops for parents this term to help empower you all to continue supporting your children at home.

Your child's login details are attached inside their reading record book/reading diary.

A full guide has been sent to all parents - please check your ParentMail



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