



The Infant Informative



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This week, the school has been filled with kindness more than ever. We are, of course, always kind and respectful of others at Crawley Ridge, but this week we have gone above and beyond. Miss Saunders launched our 'Kindness Week' at assembly on Monday. We spoke about how we can show kindness to others in many different ways. The children came into school in their odd socks to promote and celebrate our differences. At our school, difference is always a great thing. How boring life would be if we were all the same. All of the children took part in a kindness afternoon on Tuesday. We mixed up year groups, children used each others classrooms and completed lots of activities including mindfulness yoga, therapeutic finger painting, creating huge pieces of art together and much more. The children also came together to create a wonderful display related to our differences and how we can spread our kindness.

This week the children had a British Values assembly. There are 5 British Values: democracy, rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs. This week the focus was on respect. How we can show respect, and who we should show it to... EVERYONE!

Sadly, a child in the junior school was knocked off their bike whilst riding to school. I have mentioned driver safety and parking many times. This is why. If you witnessed this accident, please speak to the junior school.

Finally, we have had a lot of illness in school. Please make sure your contact details are up to date via the office. Do not send your child to school if they have a temperature. Also, if you have given your child medicine such as Calpol in the morning, they should not attend school as this can just mask their illness.

Have a great weekend, 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*

This week's recommended read is *Kind* by Alison Green - To continue the theme of kindness, this week's book is a beautiful reminder about why it's important to be kind and how it makes people feel.



DIARY DATES

- PTA Jumper donation 25th November
- Flu immunisation consent deadline 4 pm 22nd November
- School mufti day (children can wear their own clothes) 2nd December
- PTA Christmas Disco after school 2nd December
- Christmas Jumper Day 8th December

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This week we have...

Our story of the week has been Goldilocks and the Three Bears. This started with a visit from Goldilocks herself on Monday where she had spilt porridge all over the floor and left a broken chair out!

Since then, we have found bear claw marks around our classrooms and had a letter from baby bear asking the classes to make him a new chair.

We enjoyed making our own porridge this week and got to rate how much we liked it, choosing our own toppings.

We have continued with our knowledge of the numbers 1, 2 and 3 this week, understanding the different ways in which the numbers can be made up. Later in the week, we started learning about shapes, particularly enjoying listening to a song about triangles.

Our phonics this week has been focussed around recapping all our sounds so far and practising writing them. We have joined in with lots of activities involving reading our harder to read and spell words including making watches and paper chains with the words on and using magnifying glasses to find the words within pictures.

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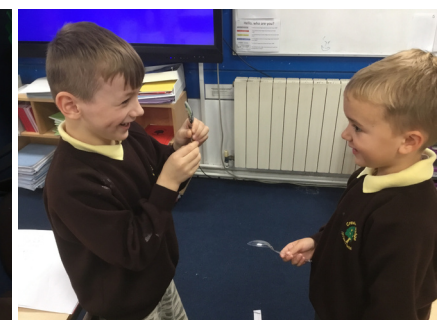


The children loved coming to school in their odd socks. We have had some wonderful discussions around odd socks and linking it to kindness. We are all different and all equal. This week the children thoroughly enjoyed sharing the toys that they brought in from home. This led us into a discussion in history about what toys are like now and why we like to play with them. We have been reading *Kipper's Toybox* in English and the children blew us away with the retellings they wrote. The independence and quality of their writing is improving by the day. We have been continuing to think about seasons and weather in Science and this week we have been using the oak tree from our school emblem to discuss deciduous trees. In maths we have been learning our number bonds of 10 and addition within 10. The children are working so well in all subjects!

YEAR 1

YEAR 2

Year 2 have really enjoyed kindness week, especially the new Andy and the Odd Socks song. We have continued to learn about the Great Fire of London in 1666, how it started and how the King put a stop to it. This has been a hook to our English learning this week, an explanation text about the Great Fire of London. During maths we have applied our knowledge of calculating addition and subtraction to word problems, comparing number sentences and missing number problems. During science this week we explored the 5 different types of enquiry. We then observed how an object can be made from different materials to best suit a specific purpose. The children are looking forward to our Christmas performance. This week we read the play and started to learn a song.



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PTA news, events & clubs

Thank you to everyone who's donated Christmas jumpers. We'll be having a Christmas jumper sale on Friday 25th November at pick up.

World Cup Sweepstake

The Sweepstake has sold out and we did the draw at 3pm today. If you bought a ticket for the sweepstake we'll send you an email with the details of which team you have.

World Cup colouring competition

Your child will have come home with a World Cup colouring sheet. Once they've designed their football kit, and/or written a poem, please tape a £1 coin on it and drop it in the PTA postbox by Sapphire class.



Christmas gift sale

Your child will be coming home with an order form for two gifts they've chosen for you. You can order the gifts on our website www.pta-events.co.uk/cris

Christmas Disco

We're holding a disco for the children on Friday 2nd December after school. Tickets are £3.50 each which includes a drink and crisps.

Book your disco tickets here: www.pta-events.co.uk/cris



CHRISTMAS AT
CRAWLEY
RIDGE
INFANTS

MONDAY 12TH
DECEMBER

Santa Visit
10:00 - 13:30

ORGANISED & FUNDED
BY THE PTA

TUESDAY 13TH
DECEMBER

Year 1 Festive Performance
09:00 - 09:30

WEDNESDAY
14TH DECEMBER

Reception Festive Performance
09:00 - 09:30

Christmas lunch
Supplied by Twelve15

THURSDAY
15TH DECEMBER

Year 2 Festive Performance
09:00 - 09:30

FRIDAY 16TH
DECEMBER

Christmas Crafts

Christmas Jumper Day

12th-16th Dec

Christmas Post Box open for all year groups

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...



FESTIVE FUN DAY

SATURDAY 26 NOVEMBER, 12-4PM

- ★ Meet our festive farm animals
- ★ Storytime with Santa
- ★ Festive crafts and face painting
- ★ Meet our festive pony
- ★ Festive stalls
- ★ Containment puzzle zone
- ★ Warming refreshments and more...

Pre-sale ticket prices:

Family - up to 2 adults & 2 children	£30.00
Adults	£9.00
Children (2-16yrs old) & Concessions	£8.00
Children under 2	FREE

Please note there may be additional charges for some activities at the event.

No dogs please (except assistance dogs)

For tickets visit: www.merristwoodevents.co.uk

For information Email: mwevents@guildford.ac.uk or Call: 07867 14 27 88

Pre-sale tickets only
(no tickets will be sold on the day)



It's not easy being wheezy. Join our asthma webinar.

- Does your child suffer with asthma?
- Have they been given an inhaler?
- Are you unsure what any of this means?



The Paediatric Respiratory Nursing Team from Frimley Health are running an online education session where you can learn more about your child's asthma



Thur 24th November

7.30 – 8.30pm via Teams

Sign up today - bit.ly/asthmanov



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](http://FrimleyHealthierTogether.co.uk) 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.



Worried by symptoms a child or young person is experiencing? Our healthcare professionals offer advice on symptoms including coughs, colds, vomiting, rashes and mental health, plus when and where to access medical help. Watch today - <https://bit.ly/Healthadvice>

With the seasons changing, be ready for what to do if your child experiences symptoms like a cough, cold, rash or vomiting. Be reassured by our healthcare professionals who offer advice to support the children and young people in our communities this autumn and winter. <https://bit.ly/Healthadvice>

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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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