



# Welcome to The Infant Informative



Friday 2nd February 2024

Issue 19

Please can you sign this ePetition for our road safety campaign: [Click here to sign](#)

A great week, as always here at our school. The children have been engaged in lots of interactive learning. Some of the writing I have seen this week has amazed me, well done children - keep it up! The children do seem a little tired this week, only one more week to go before half-term, please ensure your child is getting enough sleep and has a healthy breakfast.

The school raised almost £2,000 for Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice Care. What a spectacular achievement for our community. The money will go towards helping the vulnerable.

I have seen many dogs on site recently. They are gorgeous, but can not come onto the school site. This is because I cannot vouch for your dog's temperament or vaccination status. I do bring my dog Leo into school occasionally, this involves risk assessments, checking of insurance and vaccination etc. It is a long process to get it right.

A few incidents this week around our PANTS rule, please remind yourself of how we teach children in school to keep their privates private: [Click here](#)

Children are coming into school with water bottles that have spray features on them. A big no to this one please... have you ever tried teaching 30 children how to write in the middle of a spontaneous water fight? Also, watches that do everything, but tell the time - no thank you! We have seen some with cameras - this is a massive safeguarding risk.

Have a great weekend. Mr O'Shea

## GOLDEN LEAVES

Class name	Child's name	Comment
Diamond	George	For always contributing super ideas to class discussions.
Ruby	Noah	For engaging well with our learning this week.
Topaz	Henry	For always having positive attitude to learning!
Amethyst	Liam	For creativity in his writing.
Emerald	Milne	For always having a positive attitude to learning.
Sapphire	Callum	For fantastic focus in his learning.

## Not if, when. A child will be hurt if our driving and parking around the school does not improve.

Have you seen someone park illegally? Report it here via this email address:

[SurreyParkingEnforcement@nslservices.co.uk](mailto:SurreyParkingEnforcement@nslservices.co.uk)

We would like to strongly encourage you to report all incidents to prove that there is an issue around the schools and support the need for action. Reporting also means that offenders may receive a Penalty Notice which may deter them from parking in those areas again.



## A message from our Assistant Headteacher - Miss Saunders

I wanted to start by saying a huge thank you to all the volunteers who took part in National Storytelling Week this week - the children absolutely loved being read to by a different voice and hearing different stories. In honour of this I have chosen *Little Rabbit's Big Surprise* by National Storytelling Week's featured author Swapna Haddow. This is essentially a story about kindness and how we can spread it - enjoy!



TRICK BOX

We use Trick Box everyday at school. It teaches children to regulate their own emotions and become their own problem solvers. We have a new 'trick' every two weeks for Reception and KS1 children. Nursery have similar 'habits' to learn too. [Press the Trick Box logo to the left](#), to navigate to our website with all of the information you will need to practice these tricks at home too.



## DIARY DATES

- Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 6th February
- Parents' Evening - Tuesday 6th February @ 15:30 - 18:00 - Bookings via ParentMail
- Parents' Evening - Thursday 8th February @ 16:30 - 19:30 - Bookings via ParentMail
- Last day of Spring 1 term - Friday 9th February @ 15:00
- Year 2 Diorama viewing with parents - Tuesday 20th February @ 14:30
- Reception National Child Measurement Programme - Wednesday 21st February
- PTA Bags2School - Friday 23rd Feb
- PTA Break the Rules Day - Thursday 29th February
- World Book Day - Thursday 7th March 15:00
- PTA Mothering tea afternoon - Friday 8th March from 15:00
- Science Week - W/B Monday 11th March
- Year 1 School Trip - Wednesday 13th March - now 'live' on ParentMail
- Class group photos - Tuesday 19th March

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NUR

The start of the week continued our focus on **Postman Bear**, and we enjoyed celebrating the Bear's birthday with balloons, a party and, of course, fancy birthday crowns. Carrying on our theme of 'Bears' has led us to **Goldilocks and the Three Bears**, and we have enjoyed retelling the story using small world figures. We have fine-tuned our pencil control by tracing bears on our new light box table and we have loved making our own bowls of porridge, with lots of pouring, scooping and stirring. The children took part in some yoga on Thursday too, with everyone trying their best to stretch and balance – well done everyone!



REC

We have been learning all things 'People who help us' this week, from police officers, firefighters to doctors and vets. The children have loved immersing themselves in the role play area with doctors surgeries, vets and dentists and dressed up, also creating their own hats.

In phonics we have learnt two new sounds – igh (light up the night) and oa (float on the moat), we have drawn goats, seen if our boats float and made firework paintings to light up the night. In our maths we have been talking and learning about shorter and taller, comparing different sized objects.

Our drawing club has been based around the 70s cartoon – Mr Ben. We have drawn our own Mr Ben, created our own zoo and made up a new animal to have in the zoo.

We have loved taking part in a hunt around the classroom for harder to read and spell words and independently writing these. The children have also completed some brilliant writing and drawing about what they want to be when they grow up.

We carried out a science experiment on Monday to find the best cape for **Supertato**. We noticed that plastic was the best material compared to paper and tissue, as it did not soak up any water and would keep him dry! We talked about keeping things the same and changing specific things in a science experiment to make sure that it is fair.





# This week in KS1 we have...

YEAR 1

It was scorching hot in the classroom as Year 1 had an experience day being in Kenya, which is linked to our story called **Handa's Surprise** by Eileen Browne. We explored a basket of fruit to help us think of interesting words to describe what each fruit feels, tastes and smells like. We also used lots of descriptive words to describe the hot setting, to make our writing interesting. The children blew us away with their choice of words and writing.

For maths, we worked on doubles and near doubles within 20. For computing, we created our rockets by following the instructions and using the digital equipment list from the previous lesson.

As it was a National Storytelling Week, we had parents/carers volunteering to read to the children, it was a cosy and lovely experience, and the children loved it! Thank you to the parents/carers who dedicated their time to read to us!



YEAR 2

We have loved national story telling week! We have read and listened to so many wonderful stories, thank you to all the people who took the time to read to us this week. We have loved our book from English **'The Kapok Tree'** as it has beautiful illustrations and a strong moral message. This has helped us to identify and use verbs, adverbs and create expanded noun phrases. In maths we continued learning about multiplication, including the two times table and have looked at the inverse operation division. We have divided by sharing and grouping practically and using pictorial arrays. In science we have classified animals by whether they are herbivores, omnivores or carnivores using Venn diagrams. We have taken our knowledge of human and physical geography and used it to identify the geography in the UK using atlases.



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# Changes after half-term



Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Re: Changes to Birthday Celebrations at Crawley Ridge Infant School**

I wanted to take a moment to update you on a recent decision regarding the way we celebrate birthdays at Crawley Ridge Infant School.

In the past, we have allowed children to bring in sweet treats to share with their classmates on their birthdays. While this has been working well so far, the idea still poses challenges that affect the well-being and inclusivity of our school community.

I have observed an increasing number of children with various dietary needs, allergies, intolerances, and religious dietary requirements. I understand the importance of catering to the diverse needs of our pupils, and we want to create an environment that is considerate and accommodating to all.

Additionally, I recognise that not all families can afford to provide treats for the entire class. We do not wish to place any financial burden on parents, nor do we want any child to feel left out or upset if they cannot contribute in the same way as their peers.




Moreover, managing these sweet treats at the end of the day has become increasingly challenging for our staff, who are already handling various responsibilities during this busy time.

After careful consideration, I have decided to implement a change to our birthday celebration agreement, starting when the children return to school after the February half term. Of course, if your child has a birthday before then, you can decide on either option.

**After half-term**, when a child is celebrating their birthday, they will have the option to come into school in their own sensible clothing. This is entirely optional, and we want to emphasise that there is no pressure on parents or children to participate. Instead of sweet treats, we suggest a more inclusive and educational alternative - the gift of a classroom storybook, which can be brought in at the beginning of the day and read at the end of day to honour your child's birthday.

To make the birthday celebration in class special, we will also be providing a unique birthday hat or a similar item to mark the occasion. This way, each child's birthday can be joyously celebrated within the class environment without the need for sweet treats.

If you have any concerns or questions about this new agreement, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly.

Sweet Treats	Own Clothing (optional)	Book for the class (optional)
		

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# PTA



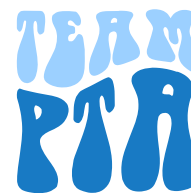
## New email address

We have a new PTA email address - please use [pta@cri.tamat.org.uk](mailto:pta@cri.tamat.org.uk) for any email communications



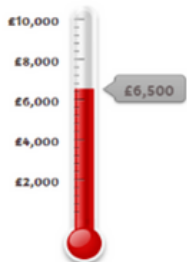
## Pre-loved Uniform

We are pleased to announce that the online shop is now up and running. Go to [www.pta-events.co.uk/cris](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/cris) click on 'Shop', then select 'Uniform & Merchandise'



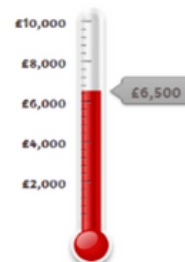
## Mother's Day gifts

Children should have an order form in their bookbags. Please order on the portal [www.pta-events.co.uk/cris](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/cris) Order deadline 23rd February.



## Coming soon

Bags2school 23rd February  
Break the rules day 29th February



# Clubs @ CRI



## Spanish Club, Wednesday Lunchtimes, 12.30-1.00pm

11 classes, Spring term, £55

Wednesday 10th January - Wednesday 27th March

Open to all KS1 pupils. Complete beginners welcome!

**Click HERE to book!**

Call 07548 906895

Email [sara@bilinguasing.com](mailto:sara@bilinguasing.com)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Playball</b> Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	<b>Playball</b> Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	<b>Bilingua Sing</b> Year 1 & 2 12.30pm - 1pm	<b>Ultimate Coaching</b> Year R Football 3pm - 4pm	<b>Ultimate Coaching</b> Year 1 & 2 Football 3pm - 4.15pm
<b>Jam Coding</b> Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm		<b>Hotsteppers Dance</b> Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	<b>Boogie Pumps Drama</b> Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	<b>Genie Lab</b> Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm
		<b>Playball</b> Year R & 1 3pm - 3.45pm		

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# You might be interested in...

## Surrey Heath Family Centre

We are very excited to be part of the pilot for Barnardos Virtual Family Space. Through the pilot we are able to offer you access to a wide range of workshops covering various topics.

If you would like to book a place at any of these workshops then please scan the QR code to register.

If you would like any more information please contact us on: [surreyheathfamilycentre@barnardos.org.uk](mailto:surreyheathfamilycentre@barnardos.org.uk)



Barnardos  
Virtual Family Space

### Oral Health Workshop

Tuesday 20th February, 1pm

2 hour workshop

Oral Health is a live online workshop lasting up to two hours.

We'll talk about:

- Oral hygiene
- Diet
- Impact of sugar on teeth
- Fluoride
- Oral diseases



### Potty Training Workshop

Tuesday 27th February, 10am

2 hour workshop

Potty Training is a live online workshop lasting up to two hours.

This includes:

- Three step 'Let's Go Potty' approach
- Preparation to use the potty
- Practising potty skills

Stopping using nappies as your child gains confidence

Surrey Heath Family Centre, Kingston Road, Camberley, Surrey, GU15 4AF  
[www.barnardosfamilycentresurrey.org.uk](http://www.barnardosfamilycentresurrey.org.uk)



## Children's Music Makers - Half Term

Visit the museum during half term, 13th to 17th February, for a 'note'-ably good time.

*Find the sound and draw it down!*

Can you correctly identify the sounds and win a prize?

Free entry - Free fun

Open 11am to 4.30pm  
Tuesday to Saturday

Surrey Heath Museum, 33 Oldfield Way, The Square  
Camberley, GU15 5SG  
Tel: 01276 23771  
Email: [Museum@surreyheath.gov.uk](mailto:Museum@surreyheath.gov.uk)



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To all the pupils and staff at  
**Crawley Ridge Infant School**

## Congratulations

and thank you for raising an amazing

**£1935.86**

by taking part in a Reindeer Run  
in aid of

Phyllis Tuckwell®  
Hospice Care  
...because every day is precious



St Paul's Church Camberley's

# Pancake Praise Party!

Thursday 8th February

3.30-5.00pm

For children aged 0-11 & their families

Book your  
tickets here:



Join us at our pancake café as we celebrate the meaning of pancake day with led activities, songs, toddler zone, food decorating & freshly made pancakes!

Any questions: [bethany.larby@stpaulscamb.co.uk](mailto:bethany.larby@stpaulscamb.co.uk)

Tickets: <https://stpaulspancakeparty2024.eventbrite.co.uk>



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# You might be interested in...



## Family Food, Fun & Fitness

Yateley Industries, Mill Lane, GU46 7TF  
[Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 10-11.30am]

Free session exploring:

- Portion sizes
- Cooking from scratch & simple recipes
- New ideas to make mealtimes a family activity
- Information on food types and hidden sugar
- Importance of being active as a family



Visit our website (scan the QR code opposite) or email us at:  
hnhf@barnardos.org.uk  
[www.hampshirehealthyfamilies.org.uk](http://www.hampshirehealthyfamilies.org.uk)



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## WINTER 2024 TENNIS CAMPS

February 12/13/14

7 - 12 years • 9.00am - 12.00pm

12 - 17 years • 12.00pm - 3.00pm

**£24 per day or £60 when you book for all 3 days!**

**\*All equipment provided\***

Book via the Frimley Tennis Club Clubspark website or contact Head Coach,  
Lewis Sullivan T: 07748 794 753 or E: [lewis@lewistennis.net](mailto:lewis@lewistennis.net)



Frimley Tennis Club • Watchetts Recreation Ground • Park Road • Camberley • GU15 2SR



Open  
from  
9th Jan  
2024

OPEN TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY  
BETWEEN 10AM-2PM

HTSA Fundraising Event

## Pamper Night

Friday 23rd February  
7-10pm

### TICKETS

Entry and a welcome drink **£5**  
Entry, drink and a treatment deposit **£10**

PRE-BOOKING ESSENTIAL

**TICKETS NOW ON SALE**

Pre-book a treatment with one of our therapists and enjoy a glass of fizz with friends. We have wide choice of treatments and beautiful gifts available, ready for a great social evening.

Scan the QR code to book and view our price list.

Classlist members link

Guest link

A £5 deposit will secure a treatment slot and the balance of your treatment can be paid to your therapist on the night.

We look forward to seeing you there.  
\*HTSA Team\*

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