



Welcome to The Infant Informative



Friday 29th November 2024

Issue 12

****Christmas Fair tomorrow 10:30 - 12:30**** I look forward to seeing many of you tomorrow at our Christmas Fair. All the money raised really helps the school in many ways; adding extra resourcing and experiences for them throughout the year.

****New Governors**** We are really pleased to announce that we have successfully appointed two new parent governors onto our Local Academy Board. They will help the school in a strategic way over the next few years. We welcome Mr. Hussain who currently has two children in the school and comes with a wealth of experience which will really be valuable to the school. We also have Mrs. George joining us, who has a child in the school and also holds skills that we welcome onto the board. We look forward to working with you.

****Colder & Wetter weather**** Children should come to school with a suitable coat that is both warm and water-proof, as we do go outside in all weathers. They should also have sensible footwear. They may wear hats, gloves and scarfs, these should all be labelled and should be inexpensive.

****Safeguarding**** If you need to let the school know about anything safeguarding related, please remember we have a dedicated email for this which is: dsl@cri.tamat.org.uk.

****Free workshops for parents**** Please see the poster within this newsletter for 5 free workshops for parents around 'Building Confidence - Identifying and Supporting Additional Needs'. Please email lculligan@crj.tamat.org.uk if you would like to attend.

****Christmas @ Crawley Ridge Infant School**** Take a look on the next page for our Christmas calendar. A convenient way for you to make sure you know exactly what we are getting up to at school. I recommend printing it and sticking it onto the fridge so that you don't miss out on any of these important dates.

Have a great weekend, Mr O'Shea :)

A message from our Assistant Headteacher Miss Saunders

This week, I have chosen a chapter book which will be appealing to the older children at our school. This book is part of a series called the Zoey and Sassafras series. The books are about Zoey, a keen scientist, and are packed with excitement and adventure. In this one, she endeavours to help a sick baby dragon, and it becomes a race against time to find out what is wrong.



DIARY DATES

- CRI Xmas Fair - 30th Nov @ 10:30 - 12:30
- School Tours 9 & 10 - 3rd Dec @ 11:00 & 13:30
- Years 1 & 2 PTA School Disco - 6th Dec, more information to follow
- Reception Christmas Play - 10th Dec @ 09:00
- Nursery Christmas Songs - 11th Dec @ 14:30
- Year 1 Christmas Songs @ St. Paul's Church - 11th Dec @ 14:00
- Year 2 Christmas Show - 12th Dec @ 09:00
- **PTA Hot Chocolate & Cookie sale - 13th Dec @ 15:00**
- **School Christmas Lunch - 17th Dec**
- **PTA Elf Visit into school - 17th Dec**
- **End of Autumn Term - 18th Dec @ 13:30**

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Christmas @ CRI...



CHRISTMAS AT CRAWLEY RIDGE INFANTS



SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

CRAWLEY RIDGE INFANT SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR
10:30 - 12:30
ORGANISED & FUNDED BY THE PTA

THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER

Phyllis Tuckwell Reindeer Run
CHILDREN CAN WEAR PE KIT AND TRAINERS WITH A XMAS JUMPER. NO DONATION REQ BUT DONT FORGET SPONSORSHIP FORM!

FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER

NON UNIFORM DAY
No donation required
PTA Christmas Disco
Year 1 & 2: 15:00 - 16:00
ORGANISED BY THE PTA

FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER

PTA Hot chocolate and cookie sale AFTER SCHOOL



TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER

Reception Christmas Play
09:00 - 09:30

WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER

Year 1 Christmas Carol Concert
14:00 - 14:30
TO BE HELD AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH
Nursery Christmas Songs
14:30 - 14:50

THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER

Year 2 Christmas Play
09:00 - 09:30

TUESDAY 17TH DECEMBER

PTA Elf Visit

Christmas lunch
Supplied by Twelve15

WEDNESDAY 18TH DECEMBER

Class Christmas Parties
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY
to be worn with normal uniform - no donation required
SCHOOL FINISHES AT 13:30

FOR ALL 3 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES ABOVE, PLEASE BRING LOOSE CHANGE/CASH AS WE WILL BE COLLECTING FOR CHARITIES AT THESE EVENTS



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This week we have been reading ***Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?*** This book has lots of repetitive language that the children have been enjoying learning and using to retell the story. We have gone a bit bear-crazy; having teddy bear's picnics, creating a giant bear face using brown paint in pipettes and making bear masks with paint and tissue paper. For our maths, we have been counting 1, 2 and 3 bears and making bear faces using different shapes. What fun! Next week, we will be moving on to our topic of 'Winter'.



REC

Our story of the week has been ***The Three Little Pigs***. We have enjoyed listening to different versions of the story, discussing traditional tales, making pig masks, building new houses for the three pigs and playing with pigs in mud. In our phonics lessons we have been learning about capital and lower-case letters, recognising these in sentences, matching them together and writing them. Within our writing this week, we have been learning how to start a sentence with a capital letter and use a finger space between words. The children have written some brilliant sentences about a pig. In our maths we have been looking at squares and rectangles and using these to make different shapes within themselves. We have also been finding shapes within the environment. In our topic and PSHE we have been discussing same and different homes and where people live.

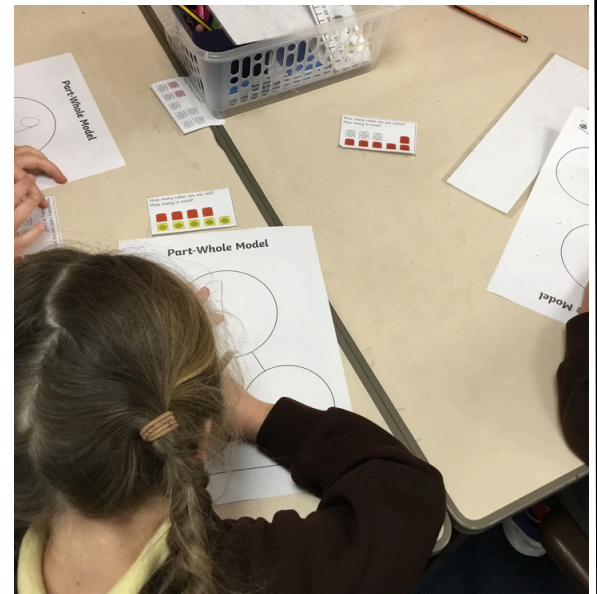
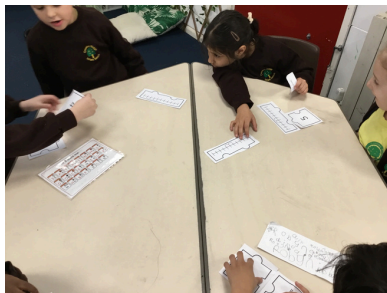




This week in KS1 we have...

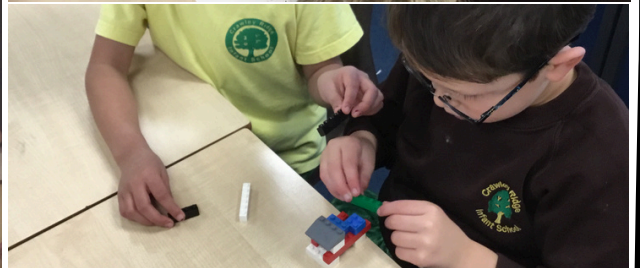
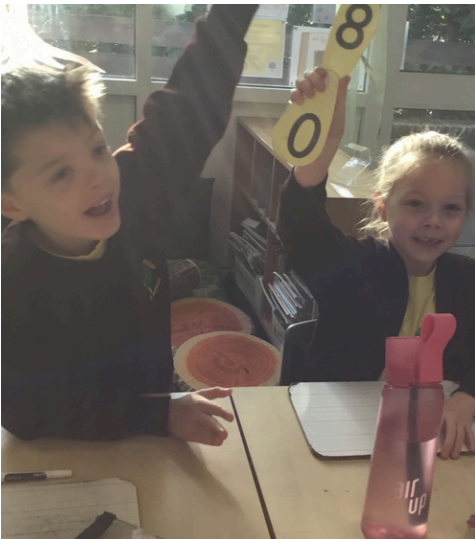
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With less than a month to go until the big day, preparations are well underway for our Christmas Carol concert at St Pauls Church on Wednesday 11th December 2024. Songs are being sung, actions learnt and speaking voices polished ready for the performance. We have continued with our Toy focus this week across many areas of our learning. In English we have begun our next adventure with **Traction Man**, this time as he meets a new friend "**Turbo Dog**" for the first time. We have helped him write a packing list for his journey across the sandpit, as well as creating a DANGER sign, warning people about the poisonous and disgusting contents of "The Bin". In History we were looking really closely at the difference between old toys and new, but this week looking specifically at the clues we can spot that tell us a toy is old. These clues include the types of materials used to make the toy, how colourful it is and how much wear and tear it has suffered through being played with. In Maths the children have gone from strength to strength with their subtraction, with most children now being able to subtract confidently using a number line. We move on next to number fact families, looking at the relationship numbers have with each other and how they can be switched around to create a different number sentence. Computing this week explored decomposition. A long word we know, but for the children it simply meant taking something complicated and breaking it down into simple steps which can then be followed in order to a successful conclusion. Our example was drawing an owl, looking at the different shapes it was made up of and then breaking it down into these shapes, drawing each one, one step at a time. To finish off the week, we had a brilliant morning taking all of our design and technology ideas we have learned about wheels and axles, putting these all to good use as we made our cardboard box vehicles for Traction Man. Have a great weekend. The Year 1 Team



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In history we have been looking at eyewitness accounts about the Great Fire of London and we learnt about the life of Samuel Pepys. In English this week the children have been writing about the Great Fire of London. In maths we have been exploring symmetry and the properties of 3D shapes. In art we explored clay and used modelling techniques to make our clay cups. In science the children had a brilliant time investigating the absorbency of different materials. In P.E. we have been learning yoga. The children worked in pairs to practise their yoga poses and link them in a flow. In computing we have been looking at algorithms and we used Lego to demonstrate this concept.



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Nurture Hub & Golden Acorns

This week in Time to Talk, we have focused on developing vocabulary and semantics by describing objects through their most salient features. We also continued practicing turn-taking and following/giving instructions. Next week, we will be moving on to categorising objects and engaging in role play activities.

In our Nurture Groups, the children have embraced the festive spirit by becoming Santa's little elves! We've had a wonderful time creating Christmas trees from lollipops and decorating them with a variety of craft materials. Be sure to keep an eye out for some of their wonderful creations!

We are always very grateful in the Hub for any unwanted crafty and sensory materials, please feel free to drop them in. Thankyou.



GOLDEN LEAVES

Class name	Child's name	Comment
Diamond	Ezra-Ray	For amazing attentiveness and enthusiasm in our phonics sessions.
Ruby	Oakley	For applying his learning so well.
Topaz	Lena	For her positivity and engagement in her learning.
Amethyst	Alivia	For always being ready to learn and being a wonderful role model to the class.
Emerald	Harper	For showing great concentration in art.
Sapphire	Mikael	For his enthusiasm to learn and demonstrate his knowledge.

OVERALL WINNING CLASS:

DIAMOND



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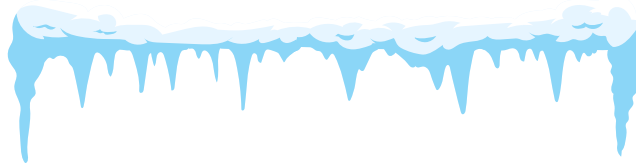




PTA

Christmas gift orders need to be placed by Monday 2nd December. Please order on the portal www.pta-events.co.uk/cris

Yr1&2 Christmas Disco tickets are also still available for Friday 6th December. Please order on the portal www.pta-events.co.uk/cris



Our clubs

School Club Timetable - Autumn Term 2024

We are delighted to be able to share with you our autumn term timetable for school clubs.

Old favourites Playball, Boogie Pumps, Bilingua Sing, Hotsteppers, Genie Lab and Ultimate Coaching are back and our new Judo club is already proving popular.

Jam Coding and Young Magicians have cancelled their sessions for this first half term due to lower numbers, but hope to return soon if there is sufficient interest.

We are continually looking at our after school club provision and feel this timetable offers a wide range of extra-curricular activities to your children and hope that many of you will take up places.

Bookings are currently live for all clubs and can be made by contacting them directly. The flyers have been uploaded in the [Clubs](#) section of our school website.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Playball Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Playball Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Young Magicians - Postponed Year 1 & 2 8am - 8.45am	Ultimate Coaching Year R Mini Kickers 3pm - 4.00pm	Ultimate Coaching Year 1 & 2 Football 3pm - 4.15pm
Jam Coding - Postponed Year 1 & 2 3.05pm - 4.00pm	Judo Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	Bilingua Sing Year 1 & 2 12.30pm - 1.00pm	Boogie Pumps Drama Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	Genie Lab Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm
		Hotsteppers Dance Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4.00pm		
		Playball Year 1 3pm - 3.45pm		



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Proud to be part of



The children and young people's emotional wellbeing and mental health service



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Building Confidence – Identifying and Supporting Additional Needs

A free 5-week workshop for Parents & Carers

This workshop is aimed at families with a young person registered at this school and provides an opportunity to discuss your child's development.

Over the 5 weeks we will discuss:

- Communication & Interaction
- Social, Emotional & Mental Health
- Cognition & Learning
- Physical & Sensory
- Navigating the System & Signposting to Support

Each session will be followed by tea/coffee and chat.

Date: January 2025

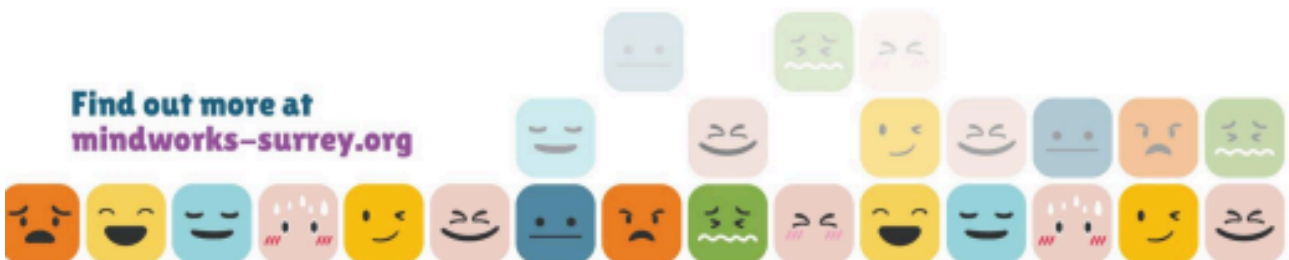
Time: Tuesday 13.15 TBC

Location: Crawley Ridge Junior School

To book your place contact your SENDCO:

Lisa Culligan: lculligan@crj.tamat.org.uk

Find out more at
mindworks-surrey.org



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You might be interested in...



Crawley Ridge
Infant School PTA

Christmas Fair

- Raffle
- Refreshments
- Games
- Stalls
- Crafts
- Biscuit decorating



Book your tickets here:
<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/cris/>

**30th
NOVEMBER**
10:30AM-12:30PM

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You might be interested in...

Christmas Shopping Event.

St Martin's Church

Saturday 30th November
4.30pm to 7.00pm

Christmas Gifts,
Refreshments & Raffle.



Has your child missed their flu vaccination at school?

Year R-11 - Flu

We are running a drop-in clinic for any of those children who may have missed these vital vaccination at school. Nurses will be available to discuss any queries you may have regarding vaccinations.

At Places Leisure Centre, Grand Avenue, Camberley GU15 3QH

Parking is Free for the first 4.5 hours, however you will need to enter your registration number at the Leisure Centre upon arrival (tablets to do this are placed on the left-hand side as you enter the building)

Friday 20th December 2024 between 14:30pm and 16:30pm

No appointment required just turn up.

TIPS FOR FAMILIES



1 Encourage journaling

Just like Riley, encourage your older children and young people to express their emotions and thoughts through journaling. It can be less confronting than speaking out loud and is a helpful way to process what is going on.

4 Practice mindfulness

Try mindful activities, and quiet family time, to enjoy being in the present moment. This can help children and young people be aware of their thoughts and emotions and learn a useful new coping technique.

2 Make space for reflection

When children and young people reflect on their different emotions, it can help them better understand themselves and what they need. Go for a walk, drive, or try some mindful colouring or baking together.

5 Communicate

Feedback is crucial for helping us see our blind spots and gain greater insight. Children and young people are no different. Creating safe and supportive ways to share your own experience with your child can help them understand themselves and their impact on the world around them.

3 Be visual

Use imagery, such as emojis or flashcards to help children and young people recognise and label their feelings.

If you're a parent or teacher, you'll find loads of useful advice to help you support the brilliant young people in your lives - from FAQs to downloadable packs. [Here4You.co.uk](https://www.place2be.co.uk)



CRAWLEY RIDGE JUNIOR SCHOOL
Crawley Ridge Junior School PTA - Charity number: 1101321

Tickets on sale at www.pta-events.co.uk/crjsp

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL
14.10.24-15.11.24
£12 PP OR £45 FOR A FAMILY OF 4
UNDER 2'S FREE BUT NEED A TICKET

HAPPY'S CIRCUS
SATURDAY 26TH APRIL
GATES OPEN 12PM MIDDAY
SHOWTIME 2-4PM

FOOD, SNACKS, REFRESHMENTS, INCLUDING A LICENSED BAR AND GAMES AVAILABLE FROM 12PM MIDDAY.
THIS IS A PUBLIC EVENT AND IS OPEN TO THE WHOLE COMMUNITY.
NO ANIMALS ARE FEATURED IN THE SHOW.

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WE ARE ON SOCIAL MEDIA

We have a school Facebook and X (Twitter) account. These accounts will post regular updates. Updates will include photos and videos, events and reminders. Children with current school photo permission will be included on these platforms.



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