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☔ A Wet Week - But Still Full of Learning! ☔

It's been a damp and drizzly week, but that never stops us here at Crawley Ridge Infant School! We always go outside in the rain for break, lunch and learning - unless the weather makes it unsafe. So please make sure your child brings a good waterproof coat every day. You'll see from our year group updates, the rain hasn't slowed us down one bit!

📦 Amazon Wishlist - Thank You! 📦

A big thank you to the Jeffery family who generously donated through our Amazon Wishlist this week! We've received a fort-building kit, clipboards, mini whiteboards, water play sponges and glue sticks - all of which will be put to great use across the school. Your support really makes a difference. Our wish list is always linked at the top of the newsletter if you'd like to take a look.

🌿 Do You Have Any Spare Astro Turf? 🌿

We're looking for large offcuts of astroturf to place on the pirate ship to reduce slipping. If any families have spare pieces at home or through work, please get in touch with us - we'd be very grateful.

🚗 Parking Reminder 🚗

I've had a number of emails this week about a red car parking in disabled bays and not parking safely. Please remember - this is a school, but it's also part of a wider neighbourhood. We must respect our community by parking legally and responsibly at all times.

Have a great weekend! 🌈

Mr O'Shea

A message from our Assistant Headteacher

Mrs Roberts

The Britannica First Big Book of Why is the perfect book to help you combat all those 'Why?' questions you just don't know the answer to. If you've ever found yourself faced with a barrage of unanswerable questions then this book offers all the answers. Why don't penguins fly? Why does popcorn pop? Look no further!



DIARY DATES

- Barnardo's Under 5 Coffee Morning - Tuesday 27th Jan @ 9am
- PTA Hot Choc & Cookie sale - 30th Jan
- National Storytelling Week - W/B 2nd Feb
- Nursery Book Fair - 2nd - 6th Feb
- Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 10th Feb
- Break the Rules Day - Friday 13th Feb
- **End of Spring 1 Term - Friday 13th Feb @ 3pm**
- **INSET Day (School closed) - Monday 23rd Feb**
- **Spring 2 Term Starts - Tuesday 24th Feb @ 08:35**
- Yr 2 Dioramas (Parents in) - Wednesday 25th Feb @ 14:30
- Nursery Stay & Plays - W/B 9th March
- World Book Day - Thursday 5th March @ 16:30 - 19:30 & Thursday 12th March @ 15:30 - 18:00

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Barnardo's Parenting Coffee Morning



Barnardo's

Supporting behaviour at home for children aged 5 and under



Tuesday 27th January



9:00 AM



Crawley Ridge Infants - In the **Learning Hub** between Emerald and Ruby Class

What the session covers

- Simple strategies to support behaviour at home
- Practical advice you can start using straight away
- Early help for families with children aged 5 and under
- A relaxed space to chat, ask questions, and share ideas

Who is invited

- Nursery parents
- Reception parents
- Year 1 parents of children still aged 5

How long is it? About 1 hour and 30 minutes

Why attend? Children's centres and health visitor services are not as available as before. This session offers early support for families who want a bit of guidance or reassurance.

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This week the children have been exploring the story of **The Three Little Pigs**. We have enjoyed lots of building as the children designed and constructed their own houses, then tested them by blowing and knocking them down. We even went down to Forest School to build a house of sticks, and the Big Bad Wolf even visited our construction area to see which of our houses were strong enough to stay standing! There has been lots of creative fun too – making pig and wolf masks, creating houses using straw and sticks, and mixing different shades of pink paint. We explored magnets, finding out which things are magnetic and which aren't. Through storytelling and role play, the children have loved joining in with the repeated language from the story and acting out their own versions. We also took turns being Big Bad Wolves, blowing through straws to puff along materials (while also building up our mouth muscles to support speech development!). Next week: **Jack and the Beanstalk** 🌱.



REC

This week the children have taken part in a range of activities linked to our story of the week, **Supertato**. They have dressed up as superheroes, tasted a selection of vegetables and recorded which ones were most popular. They have also created artwork by printing with vegetables, made their own Supertato characters, and used special pens to write simple secret messages. In phonics, some groups have been learning the sounds ee (as in bee) and ai (as in rain), which included printing beehives, writing about “evil pee,” and painting rainy-day scenes. In maths, the focus has been on weight, comparing objects around the classroom to identify which are heavier or lighter and using cubes to measure how much different items weigh. Each child has also designed a superhero sock puppet, which they will begin making next week thank you for the sock donations so far. To finish the week, the class carried out a simple science investigation to test which materials would be most suitable for a waterproof superhero cape.



This week in KS1 we have...

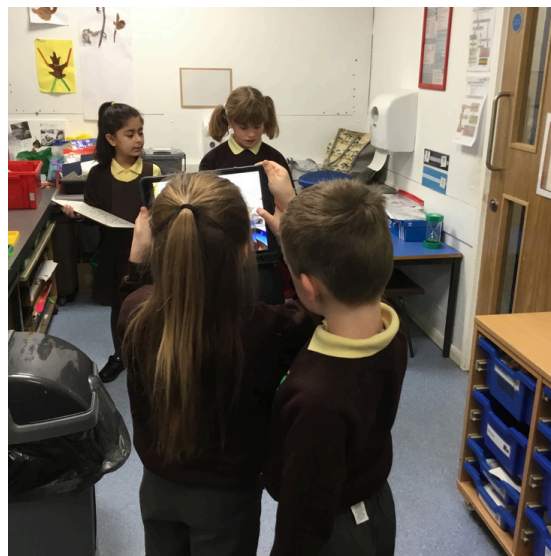
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Another week has rushed by for Year 1 with another packed timetable full of learning. Our new book for the next couple of weeks is **"Last Stop On Market Street"** by Matt De La Pena. This beautiful story follows the fun packed journey of CJ and his Nana, starting with them leaving church, before catching a fire-breathing bus full of very interesting characters. On their way they meet a lady with butterflies in a jar, a blind man and his dog and a man with a guitar playing beautiful music. Finally, CJ and Nana reach their last stop where they help people a lot less fortunate than our characters. The story is full of wonderful language which the children have been learning, and we have been using adjectives to describe the church and Nana in our writing. Maths this week has seen us revisiting addition. The children are becoming increasingly confident in using different resources to help them add, whether it be counters and tens frames, numicon or number lines. Our focus has been on getting the children to count on from the bigger number so that they don't always start from zero, just adding on the smaller number instead. Science this week still saw us learning about materials, but this week we were exploring the properties of the materials rather than the materials themselves. This can be a bit confusing for the children but in the simplest terms we were looking at what makes the materials good at their job. For example, it would be no good if a water bottle was made from a material that wasn't waterproof. In Art we were discovering how colours can be separated into cold and warm colours. We then used these two groups of colours to create some cold and warm artwork. In RE we continued our exploration of the 5 Pillars of Islam and on top of all of this we have done another phonics screening check in which we have all taken steps forward. Have a restful weekend. The Year 1 Team



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This week we have been reading **'Up In The Canopy'** by James Aldred. In English this week we have been learning about subordinate conjunctions and commas for listing. We have also been researching the Amazon rainforest ahead of our writing next week. The children had a wonderful time creating their own wildlife documentaries to share what they had learnt. In maths the children have continued to learn about money. This week we have been focussing on finding change from a pound and solving problems involving money. In Art we have continued to make our own collages of rainforest animals. In science we have been using secondary sources to research information about animal adaptations. In geography we have been learning about human and physical features.



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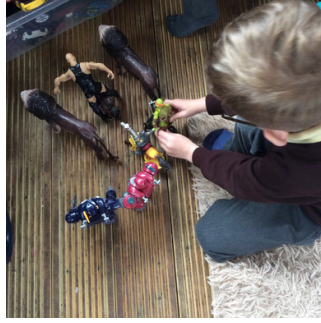
Nurture Hub

This week in the Nurture Hub

The children had a fantastic time exploring our new bubble slime kit. They were fully engaged as they stretched, moulded, and experimented with the texture—some even managed to blow bubbles using the slime!

We also spent some time outside enjoying the sand tray when the sun made a brief appearance. The children loved digging, building, and creating little worlds together. When the weather turned chilly again, we stayed warm indoors, playing with small-world figures and enhancing our imaginative play.

During our fine motor skills group, we focused on creativity and precision with a fun activity called “Design a Teddy.” The children really enjoyed choosing outfits for their teddy bears, carefully cutting and sticking clothes to create their own unique designs.

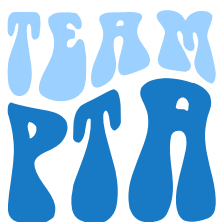


PTA



Friday 30th January - Hot Chocolate and Cookie sale. Entrance to the Hall on the KS1 playground.

Monday 2nd February - PTA meeting at 20:00. Join us via zoom for this terms meeting. Joining details will be sent closer to the date.



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School Clubs

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.



Genie & Lab



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Playball Nursery 8.30am - 9am		Playball Nursery 8.30am - 9am	
Playball Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Playball Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Hotsteppers Dance Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	Boogie Pumps Drama Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	
Mad Science Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	Camberley Judo Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	Playball Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	14 Sports Football NEW! Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	
	Maths NEW! Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.50pm			

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February Holiday Activities

Make a Viking Longship
18th Feb 2026
11am-12:30pm or 2pm-3:30pm
Cost: £4.50

Come along to the museum to find out more about longships and then make your own out of card - complete with a dragon's head on the front!
Age: 5-12. (5 year olds with an adult)

Roman Mosaics
19th Feb 2025
11am-12pm or 2-3pm
Cost: £4.50

Find out about Roman mosaic tiles and then make your own creation using stone mosaic pieces and grout.
Age: 5-12 (5 year olds with an adult)

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL
<https://www.zeffy.com/en-GB/ticketing/half-term-holiday-activities>
Or by phone 01932 565764



www.chertseymuseum.org/events
Call 01932 565764 to book your place

The Olive Matthews
Runnymede

CHERTSEY MUSEUM ANNIVERSARY

For All The Family

1st Saturday of the month
1.30pm-3.30pm

Museum Makes

Join us for a fun family craft activity where imagination meets history in a hands-on experience for all ages!

FREE DROP IN SESSION

Chertsey Museum, 33 Windsor Street, Chertsey KT16 8AT
chertseymuseum.org

Runnymede

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CHERTSEY MUSEUM

Kids Saturday Sewing Circle

From buttons to back stitch, blanket stitch to daisy stitch - come along and learn how to sew.

11.15am to 12.30pm

Learn a new stitch each month and take home your handsewn creations.

7 February
7 March
4 April

Suitable for ages 7 to 12
£4.00 per session
Advanced booking required

Book online at <https://www.zeffy.com/en-GB/ticketing/saturday-sewing-circle>

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