



Welcome to the Infant Informative



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★ **What a Fantastic First Full Week!** ★ It has been wonderful to see how well the children have settled into their new classes during their first full week at Crawley Ridge. Our Reception children have all now experienced their first full days, which is a huge milestone and they have done so brilliantly! A huge thank you to all of you for the preparation and encouragement you have given the children and to our staff for the care, patience and hard work that has gone into making such a positive start to the year.

Communication: As I settle into my role at Crawley Ridge, I'm keen to hear about how well communication between school and home is working. I'd love to know what you find useful, what you use most and whether there are things we could do differently or improve. We've put together a short survey and I'd really appreciate you taking a few minutes to share your views. Your feedback will help me make sure we are communicating in ways that are clear, helpful and work well for you. Please click [here](#).

Good Work Bag 😊 I'm really pleased to be introducing our Good Work Bag this year! Each class has a special bag and every Friday one child from each class will be chosen to take it home. Inside will be a special piece of work that they have created and are particularly proud of, giving them the opportunity to share their learning and achievements with you at home. Every child will have the opportunity to take the Good Work Bag home during the year. This is in addition to our weekly celebration certificates, so there will be lots of opportunities throughout the year to celebrate the children's hard work and achievements. Please remember to return the bag on Monday morning so that another child can enjoy taking it home the following Friday!

Trick Box Is Back - First Trick Coming Soon! As part of our weekly curriculum, children across the school take part in Trick Box sessions - a programme designed to build emotional resilience, confidence, and positive friendships. The first trick we'll be teaching is The Big No, which helps children say no clearly and respectfully when they feel uncomfortable, using a simple "stop" hand signal. You can find more information about Trick Box and our teaching schedule here: 🖱️ [Trick Box at Crawley Ridge](#)

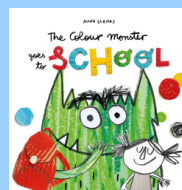
PE Days - No Earrings Reminder Please remember that children must not wear earrings on PE days, including small studs. Staff cannot assist with removal, and earrings cannot be taped over. This is for health and safety reasons - thank you for your understanding and support.

Parking Around School A quick reminder to please be mindful when parking around school, particularly while the roadworks are still taking place. The disabled parking spaces should only be used by families displaying a valid Blue Badge. We have families who rely on this space, so please help us to make sure it remains available for those who need it. Thank you.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,
Mrs Demir 😊

A message from our Assistant Headteacher Mrs Roberts

This week's book is a continuation of the adventures of the ever-popular Colour Monster. In *The Colour Monster Goes to School*, Anna Llenas tackles the fears young children may have both starting school for the first time and also returning to school after the long summer break. It is a gently reassuring book to read with children to allay any fears about school in a light-hearted way with bright and engaging illustrations.



DIARY DATES

- 2027-2028 New Reception intake tours - 15th Sept 10am, 6th Oct 1.30pm, 3rd Nov, 1.30pm, 17th Nov 10am
- **Year 1 Curriculum Meeting** - 16th Sept 8:45am
- **Year 2 Curriculum Meeting** - 23rd Sept 8:45am
- **Reception Curriculum Meeting** - 30th Sept 8:45am

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Things you should know...

Drop-off & Collection	Gates open 08:25 . Classrooms open 08:35–08:45 . After 08:45 , children must enter via the office and are marked late.
P.E. Days - Autumn Term	Reception: Tues / Year 1: Wed & Fri / Year 2: Mon & Thurs 🚫 No earrings on PE days (staff cannot remove or cover).
What to Bring	Bookbags only. Water bottles: simple plastic with pop-up lid (no metal/foldable). Keyrings: 1 small only. 🚫 No toys, cuddly items, smart watches, or camera devices.
Forest School	Years 1 & 2: Tues, from w/b 13th Sept (groups of 15, alternating). Reception: Summer term. Groupings TBC
Packed Lunches	Include main item, fruit/veg, protein, and dairy . Drinks: water or milk only . 🚫 No nuts , fizzy drinks, or sweets. Limit crisps/chocolate. 🍌 NHS Healthier Lunchboxes
Birthdays	Children may wear own clothes on their birthday (or nearest school day). 🚫 No sweets or treats.
Labelling Belongings	Please clearly name all items (jumpers, coats, water bottles etc.).
Reading at Home	Read with an adult 3+ times per week (5–10 mins). Record sessions in reading record.
Collection Passwords	Staff will use passwords until they know families. Call office if unsure. If someone else collects your child, they must know the password.
Cool Milk Scheme	Free for under 5s. Paid option for older children. 🍌 Cool Milk
Arbor	Existing parents: continue as normal. New parents: please follow setup instructions.

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This week in early years...

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It has been lovely to welcome both our returning children and those who are new to nursery. We have been busy settling in, getting to know one another and learning our nursery routines and expectations.

The children have enjoyed lots of child-led play, exploring our resources, making new friendships and taking part in team games together. We have been so impressed with how beautifully everyone has settled into nursery life!

Next week, we will begin our first theme of the half term, 'Magnificent Me'. We will be talking all about ourselves, what makes us special and our families, with lots of opportunities for the children to share their own experiences and interests.

A little reminder: Please make sure that all belongings are clearly named, including coats, jumpers, spare clothes, water bottles and lunch/snack boxes. This really helps us to make sure everything finds its way back to the right child! Thank you.



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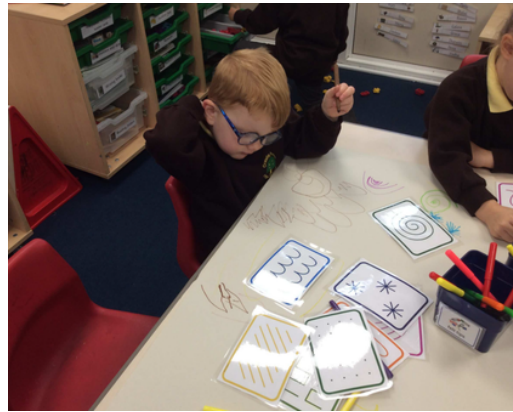
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What a fantastic first week we have had in Bluebell and Snowdrop Classes! We are incredibly proud of how well all the children have settled into their new school routines. They have shown great enthusiasm, confidence and resilience as they begin their Reception journey. This week, our focus story has been The Colour Monster. Through this story, we have been exploring different emotions and talking about how we feel. The children enjoyed making Colour Monster stick puppets and discussing the colours associated with a range of feelings. As part of our EYFS learning, the children have been drawing self-portraits and practising writing their own names independently. It has been wonderful to see their confidence grow already. A key focus this week has been learning our daily routines. The children have been learning where to put their coats, water bottles and book bags, as well as becoming familiar with classroom expectations and routines. They have also been exploring where resources are kept and learning how to work, play and share together as part of our classroom community. The children have thoroughly enjoyed exploring our outdoor learning environment, including the mud kitchen and the fort, where they have developed their creativity, imagination and social skills through play. Another exciting milestone this week was experiencing lunchtime in the school hall. The children have approached this new experience brilliantly and have done an excellent job learning lunchtime routines. Thank you for your support during this important first week. We are looking forward to another exciting week of learning and discovery ahead!



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This week in KS1...

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It has been a joy this week to welcome the children back to school after the long summer holidays and to see how ready and raring to go they are. As a whole, Year 1 have bounced into school and have settled into life in their new classes, learning new routines and getting to know their new adults a little bit better.

This week has seen us doing lots of baseline assessments with the children, assessing their basic understanding of number and shape in Maths, whilst in English we have had a go at writing about ourselves and our families to find out where we are with our writing skills. Finally, all the children this week have undergone a phonics assessment to allow us to see where the children are with their reading and understanding and this will then allow us to target our phonics teaching as we move forward.

In Science this week, we began our learning about the body by brainstorming what we know about the body before identifying and labelling different parts of the body. In PSHE we thought about what makes us unique, while in Art we used the story The Dot by Peter H Reynolds as inspiration for us to create our own dots.

A busy week, packed with learning and fun.

Have a great weekend.

The Year 1 Team



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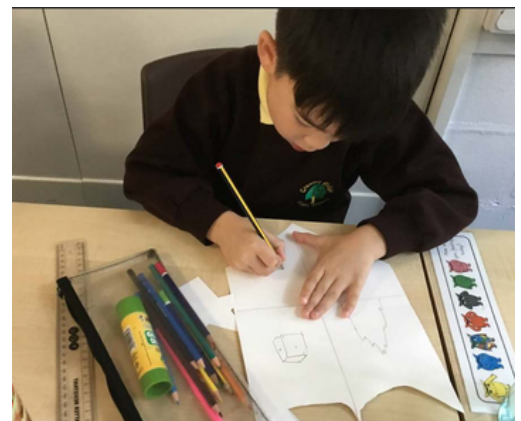
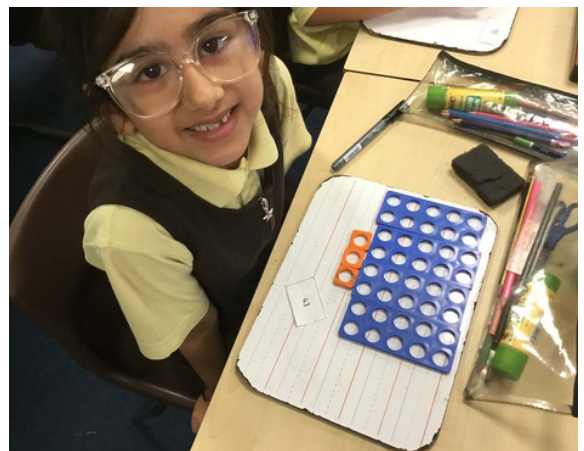


This week in KS1...

YEAR 2

Welcome to Year 2!

We have been so impressed by how well the children have settled into Year 2. In English this week we have been learning about nouns and verbs. We also followed instructions to make a shield. In maths the children have been learning about number and place value. This week we have focussed on counting objects up to 100 by making tens and identifying the tens and ones in a two digit number. In music we have started learning to sing folk songs and the children loved playing instruments to accompany their singing. In history we have been learning about the external features of a castle. In D.T. this half term we will be making our own castles. This week we explored hinges and made a gatehouse for our castles. If anyone has any small sturdy boxes such as cat food boxes, donations would be gratefully received. We would also appreciate any donations of long tubes or cylinders, such as kitchen towel rolls. No toilet rolls please.



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The Nest

Introducing The Nest

You may have previously heard us refer to our Nurture Hub. We've given it a new name – The Nest! We felt this name better reflects what we want the space to be: a calm, safe and supportive place where children can build confidence, develop positive relationships and learn strategies to help them feel happy, settled and ready to learn.

Watch this space... We'll be sharing more about The Nest and the exciting things happening there very soon!

Inclusion

TAMAT now has its own dedicated SEND social media page!

If you're looking for up-to-date, evidence-based information on topics such as behaviour, anxiety, parenting and general SEND support, we'd love for you to follow us.

Stay connected for practical tips, resources and insights to support children and families.

We're Live! Follow TAMAT SEND Support

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Facebook: TAMAT SEND Support

Join us and stay connected for tips, resources, and support!

Join us on Friday 2nd October for our first PTA meeting of the year. Fundraising ideas will be discussed so if you have any ideas or would like to find out how you can help, please do come along. The meeting will be held straight after pick-up in the School Hall. We will be finished by 4:00 pm.

We need new committee members for this academic year. If this is something you are interested in finding out more about, please contact us via the WhatsApp groups or email pta@cri.tamat.org.uk All of the roles can be shared.

Thanks, Alice

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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.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Playball Nursery 8.30am - 9am		Playball Nursery 8.30am - 9am	
	Spanish Year R, 1 & 2 12.30pm - 1pm			
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	
	Camberley Judo Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	Playball Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	14 Sports Football Year R, 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	
	Maths Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.50pm			Drama Club Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm

Attendance Matters

Every Day Counts: Attendance Matters

Good attendance is the key to success. 95%+ attendance gives your child the best chance to learn, achieve and thrive.

97%+	95%	90%	85%	80%
Excellent	Good	Worrying	Poor	Very Poor
				
Less than 6 days absence a year	About 10 days absence a year	About 19 days absence a year	About 29 days absence a year	About 38 days absence a year
Your child is experiencing excellent attendance . They are making the most of every learning opportunity.	Your child is attending well and is likely to achieve their best.	Your child is missing around a month of school. This will make it harder for them to keep up with their learning.	Your child is missing around six weeks of school. This will have a serious impact on their progress.	Your child is missing over seven weeks of school. This will seriously affect their education and future opportunities.

Good attendance today = brighter future tomorrow

Minutes Late Each Day = Learning Lost

Minutes late per day	5 minutes	10 minutes	15 minutes	20 minutes	30+ minutes
Days of learning lost per year	3 days	7 days	10 days	13 days	19+ days



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Session will provide:

A safe space to meet other parents/carers of SEND children
Interactive and specialist play opportunities

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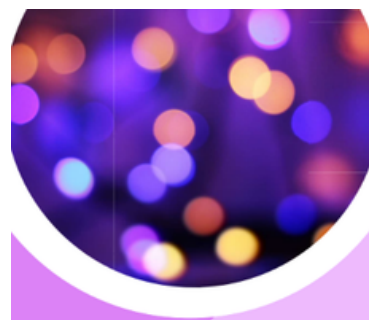
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