

# THE CRAWFORD CHRONICLE

Friday 29th April 2022

## Class Attendances

22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2022			29 <sup>th</sup> April 2022		
C1 100%	C2 99.2%		C1 94%	C2 94.7%	C3

School Target **96%** 

# A note from Class 1...

Over the last few weeks, Class 1 have been enjoying spending lots more time outside due to the beautiful weather.

We have been busy growing beans andtaking care of them along with a variety of other beautiful flowers.

We have also been learning about the roles of our mini beasts and how important they are to help our garden grow.











# Coming up @ Crawford...

# Diary Dates

Mon	School closed - May Day Bank Holiday		
Tues	Lunchtime - Recorders After school - WLSP Multi Skills Club		
Wed	After school - Craft Club After school - Netball		
Thurs	Lunchtime - Brass		
Fri	Whole school assembly WLSP After-school Club		
Mon	Lunchtime - Choir		
Tues	Lunchtime - Recorders After school - WLSP Multi Skills Club // Tennis		
Wed	After school - Craft Club After school - Netball		
Thurs	Lunchtime - Brass		
Fri	Whole school assembly WLSP After-school Club		

**2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022** May Day Bank Holiday

3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 Class Photographs

**9<sup>th</sup> May 2022** KS2 Assessment Week (SATS)

10<sup>th</sup> May 2022 C2 Trip - Up Holland Church After school Tennis starts

13<sup>th</sup> May 2022 C1 Stay & Play 9am - 9.30 Posh Nosh

**16**<sup>th</sup> **May 2022** KS1 Assessment Week (SATS)

16<sup>th</sup> May 2022 Y6 visit to Up Holland High School

19<sup>th</sup> May 2022 Parents Meeting, Reception 2022 6pm

Dear Parents, Carers and Children

We've had a great start to the summer term and it's been lovely to see the children in their summer uniform — it's starting to feel like the warmer weather may well be on the way! It's also been wonderful to welcome Mr Brearley into Class 3; he has settled into Crawford School life very quickly and the children have loved getting to know him.

It's been a busy start to the term and all our extra-curricular clubs are well under way — we are so fortunate to have such a varied selection of clubs for the children to participate in and we are grateful to the staff who volunteer to run these. We also had a visit from the Yogi group earlier in the week where children were able to spend a short time relaxing and meditating by practising some children's yoga.

Next week, we've got the school photographer in to take class photos — let's hope this beautiful weather will take us all through the Bank Holiday until then so we can have the photographs outside.

Finally, we want to wish our Year 6 children lots of luck as they complete their statutory assessments (SATs) from the 9th May. They have all worked incredibly hard and we couldn't be more proud of each and every one of them.

Hope you all enjoy the extended weekend!

Best wishes

Mrs Faton

Mrs Eaton's Column





# Star of the Week

C1 Elijah C2 Olivia L C3 Zac R C1 Eva C2 Dash C3 Emily T



# **Pride Award**

C2 Ella C3 Henry C2 Lennon C3 Joe



# **Super Writers**

C2 Phoebe C3 Luna C2 Catherine C3 Lucy M







2nd



3rd



4th



Last weekend, one of our lovely Year 2 children held a book sale with all donations going towards the Ukraine appeal. The sale raised £84 – that increased to £105 with gift aid – which we are sure you will agree is a great effort. He still has more books to sell and will be doing another sale in a few weeks' time. We could not be more proud – well done!

But who is this creature with terrible claws
And terrible teeth in his terrible jaws?
He has knobbly knees and turned-out toes,
And a poisonous wart on the end of his nose.
His eyes are orange, his tongue is black,
He has purple prickles all over his back...
It's a Gruffalo!



We would like to say a
huge thank you to
Mr and Mrs Wroe for
donating the
Gruffalo figure that has
been added to our
outdoor area.
The children
absolutely love it!

#### Dear Parents

I am writing to invite you to learn more about being part of our PTA here at Crawford Village.

### What is the PTA?

The PTA (Parent Teacher Association) is an open community of parent volunteers working alongside the school and teachers to benefit the school and ensure the best educational experience for all its pupils. We are looking for parent/carer volunteers who would like to play a part in re-establishing Crawford PTA. Since COVID, we have been unable to organise many events but now that restrictions are lifted, we are hoping that we can recruit members and forge a new PTA committee. The aim of our PTA would be to plan fun events over the year for our children whilst raising money for our school. We aim to make events affordable and enjoyable for everyone. Successful events could include: discos, movie nights, fairs, pop-up gift shops, as well as providing refreshments at other school-organised events.

### How you can help?

The more members of the PTA we have, the better things will be! You can help by attending a fun, informal meeting to help plan and organise events, fundraising, social media posts, baking, serving drinks, manning stalls to securing prizes from local organisations and helping to set up equipment. Perhaps you have a flair for graphic design, events management, photography, or you're good at selling raffle tickets and promoting events. There are all sorts of skills we will need! As many of you are working parents or have caring responsibilities, we appreciate the pressures of family and work and we value any amount of time parents can spare us. We hope to strike a happy balance between home, work and PTA life — but with more volunteers on board it definitely helps to share the load!

### Why is a PTA important for a school?

- It sets a great example for your child Being active in the PTA not only improves your child's school
  but also makes you an excellent role model. Research has confirmed what we already knew: When
  children see us involved in their school and learning, it encourages them to do their best.
- 2. It builds trust It's a great way to get to know other parents and teachers whilst gaining an insight into the workings of the school. With parents and teachers striving towards the same goals, the parent group is instrumental in making a real difference in the school life of all children. It's also a fantastic way to familiarise younger siblings with their future school and teachers.
- 3. It raises welcome funds Whether it's creating an outdoor learning space, helping to replenish our reading books or helping to organise a Summer or Christmas Fair, the funds raised from your activities impact massively on the opportunities and experiences of all the children at school.
- 4. It gives you a voice Many PTAs already act as a consultative group for the school leaders and governors. So whether it's deciding on where PTA funds are spent or getting parent views on school activities, you can make sure parents have a voice in how your school operates.
- It forges connections beyond the school gates PTAs are brilliant for building relationships with the local community, from events to sponsorships from local businesses and mentions in local press.
- 6. It's good for you Every parent has plenty to offer a PTA and whether it's being on the committee or helping out, your talents will be put to good use. As well as being enjoyable and satisfying, you can build your confidence and learn new skills too.

### Do I need to be DBS checked?

If you want to be able to help at in-school events where you will be in contact with the children then you will need to have a check carried out by the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) to ensure the safety of the children. You may already have a valid DBS certificate but, if not, it's a very simple procedure, so please don't let this put you off! Some activities, the Summer Fair, for example, where the children are under parental supervision, don't require a DBS check. You don't need a DBS to attend meetings and help with planning events either.

Interested in finding out more... Please join us!

We are hoping to re-commence our meetings in the Autumn term. At this stage, we are looking for expressions of interest. If you would like to be part of the PTA, please click reply to this email to let us know and we will ensure we provide further information on upcoming meetings.

Kind regards Mrs Eaton

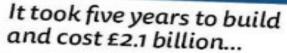




# Why is Turkey in the news?



The bridge is 4,608 metres long. It only has two supports, with the middle hanging in the air.







...the crossing now takes six minutes by car instead of one hour by boat!



