



THE CRAWFORD CHRONICLE

Friday 26th January 2024

Class Attendances

19 th January 2024			26 th January 2024		
C1	C2	C3	C1	C2	C3
85.4%	97.2%	98.1%	76.8%	97.2%	100%

School
Target
96%

A note from Class 2...

Class 2 have been super busy this half-term!

Year 1 and 2 have learned the *true* story of the (not so) Big Bad Wolf and how a cold led to him being framed! We then wrote our own stories based on the book.

We are really enjoying our Geography and Science learning which is all about, volcanoes, earthquakes, rocks and soils. We have investigated different types of rocks with magnifying glasses and the children have been bringing in rocks from home to share with the class. We also learned about the layers of the Earth and tectonic plates and made a delicious "soil pudding". This week, we also learned how fossils are formed.

In Computing, we have learned how to populate data in spreadsheets and have also been thinking about sharing personal information and making friends online.

Class 2 have also enjoyed taking part in extra activities such as the Big Schools' Birdwatch and Winnie the Pooh Day with some of us trying honey for the first time - yum!

We have lots more exciting things planned for the rest of the half-term so keep an eye on Facebook and Seesaw.



Coming up @ Crawford...

Diary Dates

Mon	Lunchtime - Choir
Tues	Lunchtime - Self-love Club After School - Eco Club
Wed	Lunchtime - Spanish / School Council After School - Craft Club
Thurs	Lunchtime - Brass
Fri	Lunchtime - Micro:bit Club / Chicken Club
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Next week:

26th - 28th January 2024
Big Garden Birdwatch

31st January 2024
Pupil Parliament meeting

2nd February 2024
Number Day
Posh Nosh

Later in the half-term:

5th February 2024
Children's Mental Health
Week
Online Safety Week
Young Voices

6th February 2024
Safer Internet Day
C3 Swimming Final Session

8th February 2024
Chinese New Year
Sponsored Pancake Flip

10th February 2024
Close for Half-Term 3.30pm

February 2024

Sports Camps



Soccer School: Wed 14th— Fri 16th
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Award Winners



Star of the Week

C1 Stevie
C2 Phoebe D
C3 Holly
Y3/4 Skylar

C1 Xander
C2 Hattie
C3 Oliver H



Pride Award

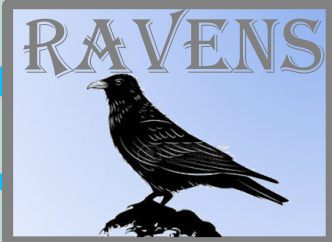
C2 Scarlett C2 Lilian
C3 Ella C3 Anais



Super Writers

C2 Ivy C2 Eva
C3 Evie C3 Ted
Y3/4 Sophia

Housepoints



1st



2nd



3rd



4th

Find us on social media...



Crawford Village Primary School



@crawford_school

Don't forget to log on to your child's Seesaw account. You will find work that they do in school, photographs and videos that are not uploaded to social media and you can upload photos from home. Please ask if you are having any problems logging on and we will help if we can.

Do not forget to check out our school website! You will find details of upcoming events, term dates, important key documents and policies plus lots of information and photographs showcasing what we have been doing in school.

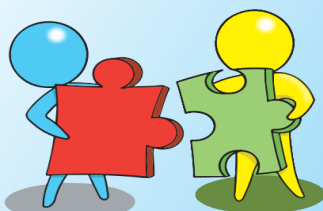


On behalf of all the children and staff at Crawford Village Primary School, we would like to say an enormous thank you to one of our parents, Andy Wroe, who comes to grit the school pathways every time there is icy conditions. This makes a huge difference and we are so thankful.

Thank You

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Dear Parents

As levels of winter illnesses including flu, COVID-19 and norovirus continue to rise, the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) have issued a reminder for parents of 5 simple steps they can take to reduce viruses spreading in the community – helping children make a healthy start to the year and minimising the impact of illness on attendance as we continue into this term.

Please use the following link to access the information:

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ukhsa-reminds-parents-of-back-to-school-advice?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=d2897b05-876e-4b17-96d6-0a01fa2e1827&utm_content=daily



SMARTPHONE SAFETY TIPS

for young people

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You may have been lucky enough to have unwrapped a smartphone at Christmas, or you might be eagerly anticipating getting a new one at some point during this year. Whether it'll be your first ever phone or an upgrade on your old model, it's always useful to have a refresher about how to set it up and adjust the settings to keep yourself – and your valuable personal info – safe and secure. We've collected some expert tips to help you enjoy your smartphone in the healthiest way possible.

NEVER SHARE YOUR PASSCODE

Alongside face or fingerprint recognition, your passcode is crucial to unlocking your phone and accessing your apps and personal information. You shouldn't give it out, even to close friends – after all, you wouldn't hand them a key to your house and let them go in for a nosy around! If a friend wants to use your phone, ask them why and make sure you can see what they're doing with it.

RESPECT PARENTAL CONTROLS

If you're allowed to have a smartphone, it's because your parents or carers feel that you're mature and responsible enough to use it safely. They might set controls and boundaries on your device – not to spoil your fun but to help you avoid hazards like too much screen time or costly in-app purchases. Following these rules means you can enjoy using your phone while respecting their wishes.

TALK TO A TRUSTED ADULT

Whether it's to listen to music, play games, create content or chat with friends, using a smartphone should be fun. If you're ever feeling anxious, worried or scared about going on your phone, then something isn't right. It's important not to ignore these feelings; instead, talk to a trusted adult about what's happening and how it's making you feel.

STAY ALERT

Two words: look up. It might sound obvious, but it's so easy to get immersed in what we're looking at or listening to on our phones that we can become unaware of our surroundings – or who might be around us. People often walk with their head down, focusing on their phone, and forget to check for obstacles in their path, cars or other pedestrians coming towards them, which is clearly dangerous.

DEVELOP HEALTHY HABITS

Phones offer a vast amount of content and the chance to chat with friends whenever we feel like it, which can make it difficult to take time away from the screen. If that's something you struggle with, you could try setting time limits on certain apps. Putting our phones down for a while gives us more time to interact with others or do something physical that helps keep us fit and healthy.

IGNORE UNKNOWN NUMBERS

There are some scammers who might call or text asking you to share personal data or to click on a link and provide your details. Some may claim to be from a genuine company, but trustworthy businesses don't spontaneously call or message to ask for your information. It's safest to ignore calls or texts from unknown numbers, and never give your personal details out over the phone.

ONLY USE AGE-APPROPRIATE APPS

Before downloading a new app or game, check what age rating it has. Don't feel pressured into getting a particular game or app just because your friends are using it. If it's intended for older people, there's a definite risk that it could include content (which is violent or frightening, for instance) or language which isn't suitable and may leave you feeling upset or disturbed.

REMOVE TEMPTATION

A good night's sleep is so important for concentration, mood and overall health. Unwinding properly before going to bed – which means not staring at a screen late at night – can often improve sleep quality. Put your phone on charge overnight, but not in your room. This means you'll have a lot less temptation to check any notifications, reply to messages or get caught up scrolling on social media.

THINK ABOUT OTHERS

Watching videos, listening to music or calling someone can all help to pass the time while we're on the bus, waiting in a queue or walking down the street. It's important to remain mindful of other people, though: they might not want to hear your tunes or your conversation. Likewise, if you're calling from a public place then don't forget that anyone could overhear something personal about you.

SWITCH OFF GEOLOCATION

In your phone's settings, you'll be able to disable geolocation for individual apps and photos: this means that people online (including strangers) can't see information about where you are when you share or post a pic. On the subject of images, it's also important to ask permission before taking or sharing a photo of someone – and don't share embarrassing images of your friends with others.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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Meet the Governors



Dr A Makin
Co-opted Governor

Responsibilities:
Chair of SEC Committee
Early Years
Educational Visits
Science

Hello! I'm Alison Makin, James and Lucy's mum. I'm a co-opted governor at Crawford Village Primary School and have been a governor for the last six years. My governing responsibilities include EYFS and Science, as well as being Chair of the Standards and Effectiveness Committee. My favourite parts of being a governor are seeing the children thriving in their learning environment and watching the school as a whole bloom and grow.

Away from school I work as a Consultant within the NHS, and I have a special interest in post-graduate medical education, with a responsibility for Medical Students from Edge Hill University whilst they're based in the hospital.

In my spare time I'm an avid baker and craft-dabbler and occasionally get persuaded to parkrun with the family.

If you see me on the playground please do say hello!

Meet the Staff



Mrs A Kinnon
Teaching Assistant

Hello, I am Mrs Kinnon and I am the Teaching Assistant in Class 3. I also work with Years 3 & 4 in a morning. I have been a Teaching Assistant in our lovely school for the last 23 years. My very favourite part of the job is working with the amazing children. They never fail to make me smile, or even laugh out loud. I am the school Mental Health First Aider and part of the Self Love team. I also help to run the Craft Club.

Outside of school, I am wife to David and a very proud mum to my two gorgeous boys Oliver and Ethan (well, I am allowed to be biased). Both of my boys benefitted from attending our fantastic school and are now aged 27 and 21. Three and a half years ago we expanded our family by re-homing two small dogs, Teddy and Beauty (I am quick to point out that we didn't get to choose the names). As we have never had dogs before, it has been a very steep learning curve . However, we love and adore them both and cannot imagine our family without them.

When I am not in school, I love to cook and entertain my family and friends. I enjoy reading a variety of books and am particularly interested in history and real life crime. I love to go walking and have recently started to do some knitting for a local NHS charity.



Inconsiderate and dangerous parking around our schools has become a big problem, putting the safety of children and others at risk. We all want to keep our children safe around schools, so here are some top tips on how you can make a difference.

How can you help?

- ✓ Keep your speed down
- ✓ Turn your engine off - do not idle
- ✓ Leave the middle of the road free, with enough room for other road users to easily pass through
- ✓ Make sure your child leaves and enters your vehicle safely onto the pavement
- ✓ Check for pedestrians and cyclists before opening a car door
- ✓ Leave enough room on pavements for pedestrians, pushchairs & wheelchairs to get past
- ✓ Take care when reversing and do not use the school car park as a turning point
- ✓ DO NOT PARK ON ZIG ZAG LINES



Preet Chandi (also known as Polar Preet) has broken two records on her expedition to the South Pole, Antarctica.

The polar explorer completed her mission of skiing 868 miles to the South Pole alone in an impressive 70 days and 16 hours.

Preet now holds records for the longest solo unsupported one-way polar ski for a woman, and the longest unsupported one-way polar ski journey overall.

She was the first woman of colour to complete a solo expedition in Antarctica.



Source: @PreetChand10, X



Speaking in a recent interview, Preet explains she was motivated to complete her polar mission to push herself, break expectations and inspire others.

Her mission to the South Pole was fuelled by her belief that "nothing is impossible".

Preet says, "Hopefully doing something that pushed me so far out of my comfort zone will inspire others to believe in themselves and push their boundaries".



Source: @PreetChand10, X





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ECO COUNCIL BULLETIN

Thank you so much for all your donations towards our bird feeders. Our Eco Club have made the first set of feeders and we have plenty more to make feeders that will be put around the school grounds once the stormy weather improves!

This weekend, the RSPB are inviting everyone to take part in the Big Garden Birdwatch 2024 (26th - 28th). If you do take part, please feel free to send us photos which we can share with the children.

Finally, the Eco Council are running a small competition for children in Years 1-6. They would like children to write a short story or poem about or featuring birds. The Eco Council will judge the entries and there will a small prize for the winner. Entries should be given to Miss Sherrington before the closing date on **7th February 2024**.

Thank you for your support.

