



Crawford Village
Primary School & Nursery

THE CRAWFORD CHRONICLE

Friday 10th May 2024

Class Attendances

3 rd May 2024			10 th May 2024		
C1	C2	C3	C1	C2	C3
98.8%	98.6%	96.1%	78.1%	97.4%	97.6%

School
Target
96%

A note from Class 2...

What a fun-filled half term we have had so far in Class 2!

In English, Year 1 and 2 have been writing their own amazing storied based on The Enormous Turnip.

We are also learning about common plants and their basic structure in Science. To enhance our learning, we have planted out own cress and sunflowers and visited Pimbo Garden Centre to learn more about how plants grow.

In Maths, the Year 2 children have enjoyed getting outside to measure objects and spaces while we have also been learning about other measures such as volume and mass.

Meanwhile, in their R.E. lessons, the children have found out what happens at a Hindu wedding, designed and received their own henna tattoos and tasted the typical Indian cuisine that would be enjoyed at a Hindu festival.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine!



Coming up @ Crawford...

Diary Dates

Mon	
Tues	Lunchtime - Self-love Club After School - Eco Club
Wed	Before School - Hi 5 Club Lunchtime - Spanish / Chicken Club After School - Craft Club
Thurs	Lunchtime - Brass After School - Football
Fri	Lunchtime - Micro:bit Club / School Council After School - Sports Club
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Next week:

13th May 2024

KS2 Assessment Week

15th May 2024

Parents Meeting Reception
2024 (5.30pm)

17th May 2024

Posh Nosh

Later in the half-term:

20th May 2024

KS1 Assessment Week

22nd May 2024

Y6 Trip to Alton Towers

23rd May 2024

Dress Down Day for Summer
Fair - Children's Tombola
Parents Meeting for Y5/6
Residential (6pm)

24th May 2024

School Closes for Half Term

10th June 2024

School Reopens 8.50am

Dear Parents, Carers and Children

Our Year 6 SATs are coming up the week after next. Over the past few weeks (okay, possibly months!), they have put a lot of effort into preparation for them. They have all made such amazing progress since September and the teaching team have been incredible in supporting them. We are completely confident they are ready for any challenges and will give their absolute best ... and that is all we would ask of them! It goes without saying that we are immensely proud of each and every one of them for all their hard work and dedication. Good luck to all of them for the next few days – I am sure they will be super-excited for the post-SATs treats!

Have a lovely weekend, everyone.

Mrs Eaton

Mrs Eaton's Column

Award Winners



Star of the Week

C1 Fred
C2 Peter
C3 Ella D

C1 Beatrix
C2 Jenson
C3 Dash



Pride Award

C2 Mason
C3 Ted

C2 Martha
C3 Evie



Super Writers

C2 Lottie
C3 Emilia
Y3/4 Stanley

C2 Teddy
C3 Florence
Y3/4 Catherine

Housepoints



1st



2nd



3rd



4th

Find us on social media...



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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.



May 2024  *The place for ALL sports*

Soccer school

Soccer School:
Tues 28th—Thurs 30th May

Football fun with FA Qualified Coaches
 £36.00 for three days 10:30am—3:30pm



New Optional Packed Lunch - £4.50 per day
 Hot Dog/Burger + Fruit Shoot
 + Crisps + Chocolate Bar

Certificates and medals for Everyone
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 Boys and Girls aged 5–12 Most Welcome
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 **CHILDREN'S BOOK SWAP** 

FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

10am until 2pm
 @ The Concourse Market (downstairs)



10am - 2pm on February 3rd, March 2nd, April 6th, May 4th, June 1st



Drop off donations at the stall or just choose some pre-loved books to take home!


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Where?

This week's story looks at events in...




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What?

Research is occurring on coral reefs situated in the sea surrounding the US Virgin Islands. Coral reefs are underwater structures made up of tiny organisms called coral polyps. They live in big groups and stick together to create the reef form.

Scientists at the site have discovered that coral larvae were seven times more likely to settle in reef areas where recordings of thriving ocean ecosystem sounds were played. This includes fish noises, like snaps and grunts, which were audible from speakers placed by researchers.

It is hoped this development will help protect reefs around the US Virgin Islands and beyond. Researcher, Nadège Aoki said, "We're hoping this may be something we can combine with other efforts to put the good stuff back on the reef."



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Why?

The world has lost 50% of its coral reefs since the 1950s. Scientists explain this loss is caused by pollution, climate change, overfishing, habitat loss and coral bleaching.

Coral bleaching happens when water becomes too warm, and corals reject the algae living within them. This causes the coral to turn white (bleached). If the water remains too warm, the algae cannot go back, putting the coral reef at risk of being permanently destroyed.

This research is important because coral reefs play important roles in oceans. They provide a habitat for organisms, and protect coastal areas by lessening the intensity of waves that arrive at the coast. Reefs create jobs for people to protect and research them, encourage tourism, and contribute to medicine ingredients.



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What Parents & Educators Can Learn from the OFCOM MEDIA REPORT 2024

Each year, Ofcom – the UK’s regulatory body for communications – produces an overview of children and parents’ media experiences over the course of the previous year. At the time of writing, the latest of these reports, ‘Children and parents’ media use and attitudes 2024’ has just been published, and we’ve plucked out some of its most thought-provoking findings regarding online safety.

Be smart on the internet

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about HELLDIVERS 2

AGE RESTRICTION
PEGI 18+

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

PEGI 18 RATING

Due to its intense violence and the presence of in-game purchases, *HELLDIVERS 2* carries a PEGI 18 rating. While players are generally fighting fantastical enemies like giant bugs and robots, their characters can be killed in various gruesome ways, up to and including dismemberment. It’s certainly worth considering whether such a game is appropriate for younger players.

IN-GAME PURCHASES

In *HELLDIVERS 2*, players can use real money to buy in-game currency, with which they can unlock cosmetics and new weapons. At the time of writing, all the in-game items can be acquired without spending so much as a penny – but excited young players wanting to keep up with their friends may still feel the temptation to purchase new weapons more quickly, rather than laboriously earning the in-game currency through play.

VOICE CHAT AND MESSAGING

HELLDIVERS 2 is always played online with others, who often use voice chat or in-game texts in coordination, strategise or just joke around. This does mean that children who play without their friends will be put in contact with strangers. Unfortunately, this represents a roll of the dice, as the game can’t control how people treat each other online. However, you can easily report other players for abusive behaviour via the game’s ‘Block’ tab.

Within weeks of release, *HELLDIVERS 2* had become one of 2024’s biggest gaming success stories. The sequel to a top-down shooter from 2015 has smashed sales expectations, owing to its frantic gameplay and tongue-in-cheek humour. However, the game comes with several risks to younger players, as indicated by its 18+ rating.

FRUSTRATION TRIGGER

The thrill of borsari scraping through a dangerous mission in one piece is integral to *HELLDIVERS 2*’s appeal. To accentuate this feeling of achievement, the game includes some very difficult levels that could prove to be too hard for some players – even those who are legitimately incredibly annoying, so repeatedly failing in missions could easily provoke frustration or anger in younger players.

LACK OF ACCESS

The game is available on PC and PS5, but not (as yet) on other consoles. Some people will naturally be disappointed they can’t get involved and might look for similar alternatives to play on their own console – alternatives which may contain similar levels of violence and gore but lack the same balanced approach to user misconduct and in-game purchases as *HELLDIVERS 2*.

Advice for Parents & Educators

GIVE IT A GO FIRST

HELLDIVERS 2 is a third-person shooter with intentionally humorous elements, but much of its comedy is rooted in satire which may go over the heads of some players. Consider playing the game first yourself – while shooting bugs and robots feels too unrealistic to be upsetting, seeing your character get torn to pieces may be too much for young players.

SET EXPECTATIONS

At the time of writing, *HELLDIVERS 2* costs £34.99. It could prove a great investment and gives up shortly after receiving the game, if a young person tends to become frustrated easily, it’s worth considering whether *HELLDIVERS 2* is really the game for them.

CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES

If playing on Xbox – where *HELLDIVERS 2* isn’t available – consider something like *Halo: The Master Chief Collection* as an alternative. One of its game modes – *Firefight* – replicates *HELLDIVERS 2*’s mechanics to some degree. Alternatively, younger players may be better suited to the more light-hearted *Deep Rock Galactic*, which sees them play as fantasy dwarves in space, involving far less gruesome violence.

KEEP AN EYE ON PAYMENTS

Many titles offer in-game purchases, but *HELLDIVERS 2*’s are comparatively cheap. You’ll still need to monitor your payment information (or use a prepaid card on the account), in case your child buys the in-game currency in bulk; on the whole, however, the game’s selling methods are far less egregious than most similar titles on the market.

MONITOR COMMUNICATION & ADJUST SETTINGS

Thanks to an in-game ‘Ping’ system (allowing players to highlight important details without speaking), communication isn’t as integral to *HELLDIVERS 2* as it is in other games. You can turn off the chat options in-game on PC, or on the PS5’s in-game settings, and feel more secure in the knowledge that your child won’t be speaking to people they don’t know.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Editor in Chief of *GoTecon*, and has been working in the games media industry for five years. As well as being an avid long-time gamer, he is also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his work has been published on sites including *iDn*, *techradar* and many more.

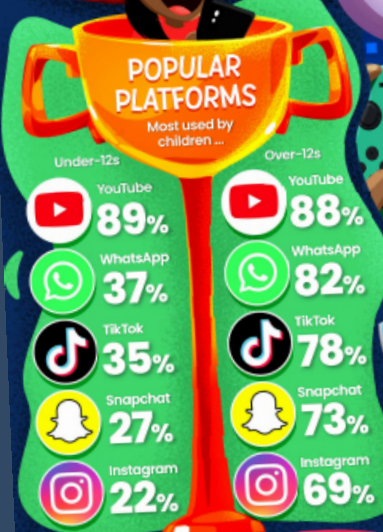
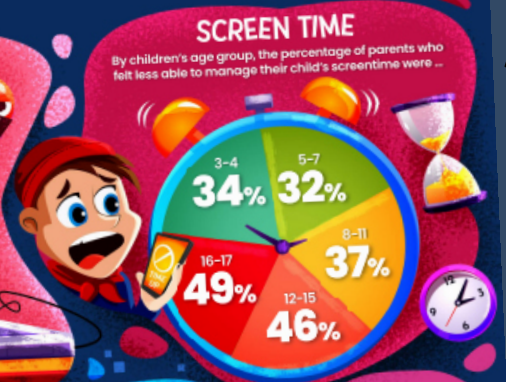


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PARENTAL CONCERNS

The things that most commonly worry parents and carers about their child being online include...

- 77% seeing age-inappropriate content
- 70% being harassed or bullied
- 68% seeing pro-self-harm content
- 62% having their data gathered by companies
- 59% being influenced by extreme views
- 55% having their reputation damaged
- 51% being pressured to spend money



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