



# Crawford Primary School Weekly Update 19th March 2021

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It's lovely to have all the children back in school, although The Wee Class really missed the Big Ones for the 3 weeks they were here by themselves.

The children quickly settled back into the routine and we're really motoring with all the hard work.

Lots of challenging new number work - P1s are tackling Numbers to 20, P2s are doing lots of complicated things with Numbers to 100 and P3s are fabulous on Numbers to 1000. They are all very proud of how well they are doing.

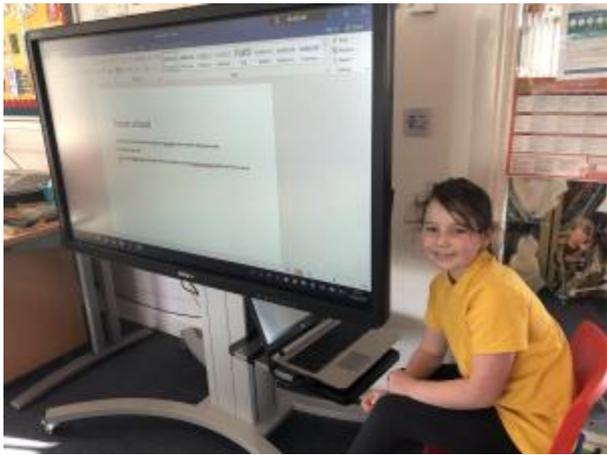
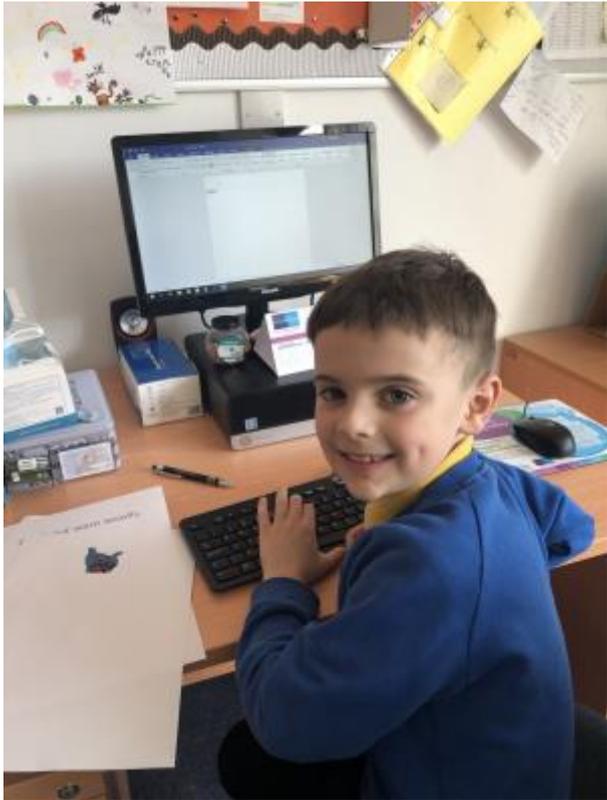
Our focus in Literacy has been on Daily Writing. We write every day in our jotters and always checking that our handwriting is neat and our letters are the right way round.

Thank you for all the hard work that was done at home during lockdown - it has been a huge help to the children and their continued learning.



*1 - Welcome back!*

*As well as lots of hard work The Wee Class have all missed their friends and 'Choosing Time' in the class room. Cooper and James love getting time to play with the motor cars. The P2 girls always ask to use the box of doll's house furniture. Blake and Joslyn are both using Microsoft Word to write their own story books. It's so good to be back!*





## Star Award Winners



This week's Star of the Week Awards go to: -

**P1-3: - Lucy Mooney for independent working**

**P4-7: - Sophie Hogg for independent working and taking initiative on her own.  
Well done Girls! We are so proud of you.**



2 - Lucy



3 - Sophie

## Bingo Ball Blethers

Mrs Orr is looking forward to her chat with Ellie and Cooper next week.

## P4-7 news



## Welcome Back P4-7

It is wonderful to be back in school this week. P4-7 were welcomed with open arms by P1-3 and all staff members. It was just lovely to see them all so happy to be back in school.

The first couple of days were spent sharing the work they had all been doing in Lockdown. Everyone had worked really hard and Mrs Wood was delighted with the progress they had made. All pupils have now started new units of work in Maths and Literacy. They have all started a new reading book and are enjoying a new class novel "Wolf Brother" by Michelle Paver.

It was great to do P.E again in the MUGA pitch but everyone was a bit tired after the first two sessions!

We are all looking forward to spending the next 2 weeks together before the Spring Break.

Onward and upward boys and girls!

During Lockdown Kayleigh posted this inspirational poem on our Google Classroom. We think it is just great and have done some work on it now we are back in school.

If the mountain seems too big today, then climb a hill instead

If morning brings you sadness it's okay to stay in bed

If the day ahead seems heavy and your plans feel like a curse

There's no shame in rearranging don't make yourself feel worse

If a shower stings like needles and a bath feels like you'll drown

If you haven't washed your hair in days don't throw away your crown

A day is not a lifetime a rest is not defeat

Don't think of it as failure, just a quiet, kind retreat

It's okay to take a moment from an anxious fractured mind  
The world will not stop turning while you get realigned  
The mountain will still be there when you want to try again  
You can climb it in your own time, just love yourself till then.

Kayleigh said "I put this poem on Google Classroom because people might have been stressed while doing the home learning. I wanted to make people feel better and have a great day."

It certainly did the trick for me! Thank you Kayleigh!



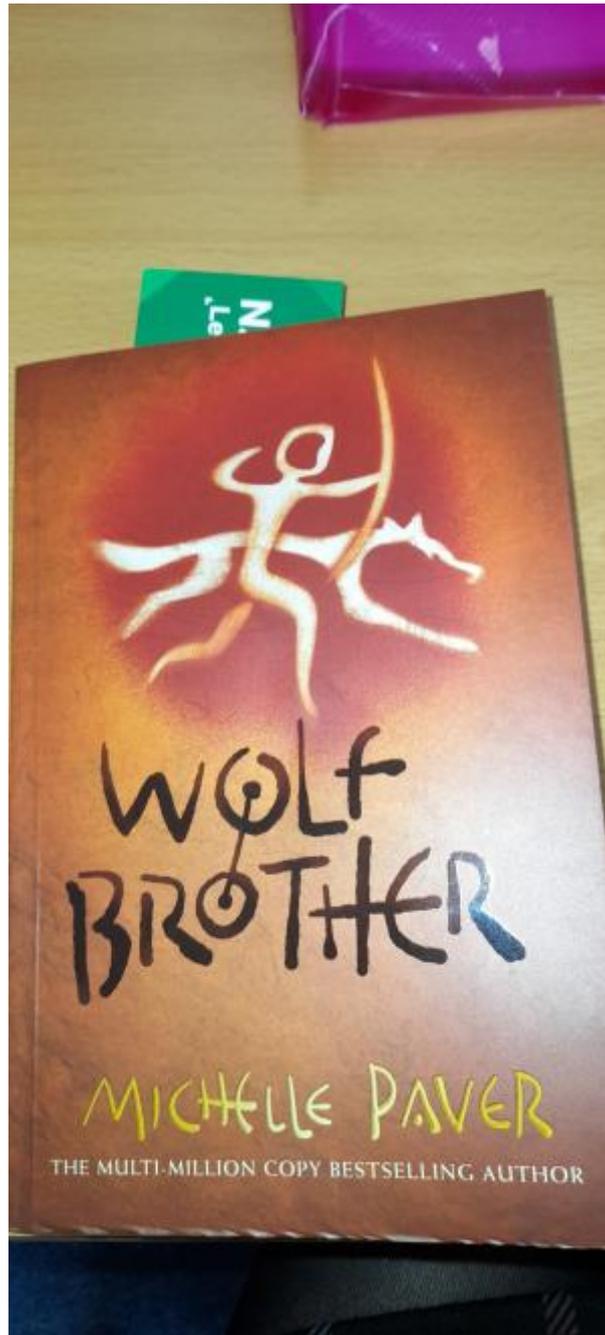
*4 - Lockdown Topic Work on display*



*5 - Maths posters from Lockdown tasks*



*6 - We are all enjoying being super efficient at using technology like the Chrome books and the new I Pads*



7 - Our new class novel

Fire Pit



What a lovely surprise on Wednesday morning when we opened the door to a huge parcel with a big bow on.

All the pupils had a guess at what this gift from the Gala Committee might be. The guesses ranged from a big box of sweeties to a Barbie house!!

Everyone took a turn at opening a part of the parcel.....it was a fire pit!!

We were all very excited and have great plans for making use of it in the school playground.

A huge thank you to the Gala Committee for thinking of us and for giving us this gift on our return to school. It is very much appreciated.



*8 - The Mysterious Parcel*



*9 - The P7s take a turn at opening the parcel.*

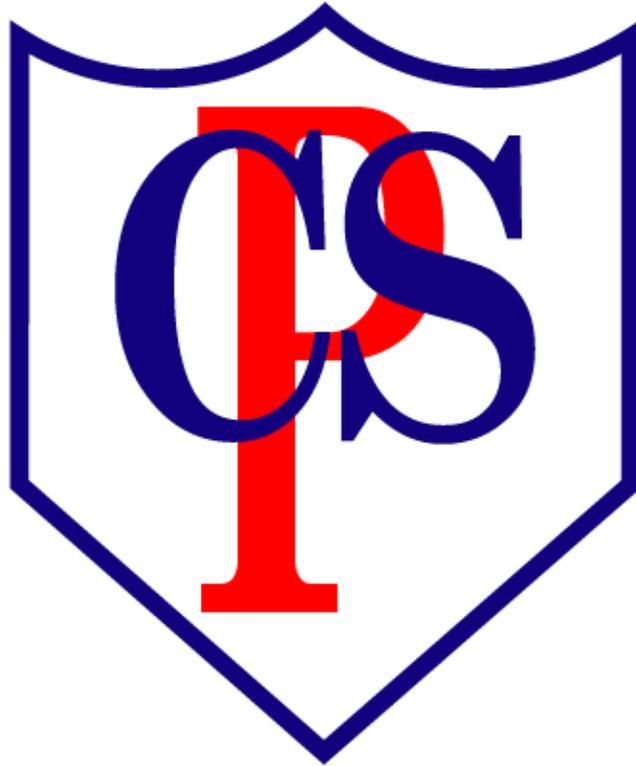
## School News



Welcome back Everyone!!! It is so lovely to have our school building filled with real pupils this week. We have so missed seeing their cheery faces in the classrooms. I know the wee ones were back on 22nd February which was just great but even they missed the big class. Let's hope the lockdowns and remote learning are a thing of the past. **Covid-19 Mitigations.** Although we are back in school we have to be very mindful of the procedures in school to keep everyone safe from the virus. Our pupils will continue to be in separate bubbles inside the school according to their class. Pupils will be reminded to keep their distance from adults wherever possible, to remain in their designated seats within the classroom and to constantly wash or sanitise their hands. Teachers and staff will wear masks in and around the school for the most part. This is not how we like to work but if it keeps the school open and everyone safe then it will be worthwhile. Could I remind you as parents to help us by ensuring your children don't come to school before 8:55 a.m. unless they travel by taxi. When you are collecting your child please wear a mask and keep 2m apart from other adults. Please contact the school by telephone or email rather than come to the building in the first instance. Again it is not how we like to welcome parents but these are different times and we must comply with Governments and SLC guidelines. **Parents Appointments** By now all parents will have had a telephone consultation regarding your child's progress in learning this year. The staff believe that this was a very positive experience and felt they gained a great deal from these conversations. They would have preferred to speak to you all face to face but again times are very different. However if you have any concerns about your child in school please do not hesitate to contact the school so a solution can be found as soon as possible.

Remote Learning May I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support during the last period of lockdown. Most of our pupils did fantastically well during remote learning by applying themselves to working at home to keep up with their learning. Many of you were also heavily involved in supporting, cajoling and encouraging your children to keep going. We are very appreciative of your commitment and hard work. Many of our pupils learned skills for leading their own learning, working independently, keeping to deadlines, researching, problem-solving and digital skills to name but a few. Comments from the children about remote learning suggest they are very honest about their strengths and challenges from home working. We are all delighted to be back in school and I am sure your children will continue to flourish in school. **Parent pay-** Please try to ensure you keep your account in funds so that monies are there when pupils order lunches and/ or milk. This saves the school office staff a great deal of time.

## Parent Council



We now have a Parent Council back up and running with new office bearers. Our chair is Andrew Grant, Secretary- Maria Monteiro and Treasurer- Chris Anderson. We have had two meetings during lockdown already. The minutes will be posted in due course on the Parent Council app. **Urgent:** Please support your parent Council by attending meetings. The Parent Council needs all parents to come on board to keep our school as a two teacher school. The next meeting is on Monday 29th March at 6:30 p.m. Please let the school or office bearers know so you can be given the Zoom link to attend