



Crayke C of E Primary School

'TRY YOUR BEST IN EVERYTHING YOU DO'

Respect Friendship Forgiveness Determination

Dear Parents and Carers,

Apologies for the delay with this week's newsletter. Thank you to Mrs Chandler for very ably leading Achievement Worship in my absence yesterday.

We made it to half term!

Gosh, the beginning of this term seems a lifetime ago. How much we have all grown, developed and gained strength over the past 6 weeks. I am so immensely proud of everything we have achieved together; the skills we have learnt and the resilience we have displayed even when it seemed insurmountable. It's fair to say that we have all been out of our comfort zones at times, and that we have continued to experience the highs and lows of the "Corona Coaster", but time and time again you have all demonstrated your **determination** to succeed, your **respect** for learning, your **friendship** to our school family and your **forgiveness** when mistakes (mainly technical!) have been made.

100 for Tom



I'm so sorry that we weren't able to share the amazing outcomes of your challenges in worship yesterday due to me being unwell. I will instead do this during our first worship together after the holidays. So, if anyone would like to complete a 100 challenge and hasn't yet had chance to do so, you have now got an opportunity during the half term break. Please send in a photograph by email to

headteacher@crayke.n-yorks.sch.uk before Sunday 21 February. I have been so

impressed with the variety of challenges you set yourselves and the effort you put into achieving your goals. Captain Sir Tom Moore would be so very proud of you all, I am sure.

Remote Learning Survey - Feedback

Thank you to the parents who joined our meeting on Wednesday evening. I have attached the presentation as a separate file. Once again, thank you for your positivity, flexibility, enthusiasm and support for our remote learning package this half term. We very much hope that next half term will see a return to school for all and eagerly await the government announcement on 22 February.

Google Meets – after half term

Many of you understand the complexities surrounding the provision of "live" lessons and have asked simply for an opportunity for your child/ren to interact with their teacher and peers. We have therefore decided to set up "Google Meet" sessions for each YEAR GROUP (not class) during the first week back after half term. We are aiming for these to take place as follows:

Date	Teacher	Year Group	Time
Tuesday 23 February	Mrs Rayner	Year 3	10:00am
		Year 4	11:00am
Wednesday 24 February	Mrs Dobson	Year 1	11:15am
		Year 2	10:00am

Thursday 25 February	Mrs Helfferich	Reception A*	9:30am
		Reception B*	1:30pm
Friday 26 February	Mrs Chandler	Year 5	1:45pm
		Year 6	10:00am

Please note the following important information relating to Google Meets:

- It will only be possible for your child to join the Google Meet if parental consent has been provided, which needs to be done by completing this online form:
https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=5qFB7HDvVkuhiM4hpIpiA5gxWWPe_mZhFlldnFKmA1UNVFFWVhFMjhYNUdVQTNEMU9ZRVBZMloyMy4u
- We will not be chasing for consents which have not been received by the time of the Google Meet so please ensure that the form is completed in good time.
- Participating in live sessions has potential safeguarding and GDPR implications. It is important that you are aware of the protocol we have put in place to ensure everyone's safety. Therefore, we would appreciate it if you would take time to read and discuss the attached protocol document with your child.
- We anticipate that these meetings will take no longer than 30 minutes.
- Mrs Helfferich will contact parents in Class 1 to confirm their allocated start time at the beginning of the week.
- We are in the early stages of learning how to use Google Meets, so please bear with us! We will issue the meeting link in advance of your scheduled time.
- If your child is in school on the day of their Google Meet, they will be able to participate from the classroom, but again only if consent has been provided by a parent/carer.

Achievement Worship goes live!

We would like to invite you to a live achievement worship on **Friday 26 February at 11am**. This is likely to be held via Zoom and an email link will be shared once we are back at school after the holidays. Again, it will only be possible to join if the online consent form has been completed.

Carlton Lodge visit – Year 5/6 Summer Term - 27 and 28 May 2021

Many children have missed out on so many things as a result of Covid and one of the most cherished legacies of primary school is the residential visits which usually take place for children in Year 5/6. We realise that it's highly unlikely that children will be able to go on an overnight visit this academic year. Mrs Chandler and I put our thinking caps on and have come up with, what we hope, will be a reasonable second-best option. We are intending, if Covid restrictions allow, to take both Year 5 and 6 children on two consecutive day visits to Carlton Lodge at the end of May. This will enable children to experience the challenges and outdoor learning opportunities which are part and parcel of the visit, thereby only missing out on the (lack of!) sleep inherent in a residential. Carlton Lodge have this week confirmed that they would be able to accommodate the whole class on both days. We'll provide further details after half term but wanted to give you advance notice that there is a likely cost of approximately £100 which includes travel (on both days) and a full two-day programme of activities running from 9:30am – 4:30pm.

Contact tracing during half term

As in the first week of the Christmas holidays, parents of children who have been in school will be required to report a positive Covid-19 test result during the half term holiday. This can be done by emailing our dedicated email address covidalert@crayke.n-yorks.sch.uk This will be monitored between 9am and 10am each day during the holiday. Please note that the school telephone line will NOT be available during the school holidays so email is the only method of contact to be used. In the event of us being notified of a positive case, we will contact relevant parents and carers via email to inform you of the implications.

Reminder - Upcoming Events



World Book Day – 4 March 2021

The electronic versions of the book token are available on the *homepage* of the whole school webpage next week for you to download.

Children of Light Festival – *Message from Lucy Willshaw Children and Families Worker*



Next month, the Diocese of York is launching a year long event called the 'Children of Light Festival'. It is a time to celebrate and encourage young people in their faith and an opportunity for members of the church to consider how young people fit into the life of the church. There are going to be resources and events for schools and churches to engage with over the year, so expect to hear more about it in the coming months!

Due to current restrictions, the opening service, with the Archbishop of York, is going to be a videoed service which will be available for churches to share and use within their parishes. Those organising the service would very much like to include some prayers written by children and are inviting young people across the diocese to contribute to this. It will not be possible to use all prayers submitted in the service, but all prayers will be published on the 'Children of Light' pages on the diocesan website.

Would your child like to write a prayer for the service and the festival? Prayers do not have to be long and wordy, but just reflect your child's true thoughts, feelings, thanks, praise and questions for God. It might be about hopes and fears for the coming year, what it means to be a light in darkness, what being a beacon of light for Jesus might mean.

Prayers should be emailed to me by the end of half term (midday on Friday, 19th February) – they can be typed up on Word or photographed. It would be great if you could include your child's first name, age and location. Thank you.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Best wishes,

Lucy Willshaw lucy.willshaw@outlook.com

**Stars of the Week and Headteacher's Awards**

	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
Stars	Eva Copley	Arwen Dawson	Anecie Tomkinson	Evie Marwood
		Rosie Seligman	James Whittaker	Cohen Taylor
Headteacher Awards	Ted Clark		Cyrus Saeedi	

Have a wonderful half term and plenty of screen-free time next week!

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