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Crayke Chronicle

FOLLOW YOUR PATHWAY AND WE GROW TOGETHER WITH CONFIDENCE

You did not choose me, I chose you that you might **go and bear fruit, fruit that will last** so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. John 15:16

Respect Friendship

Forgiveness

Determination

Message from the Headteacher

It's been a really lovely week in school and we are all definitely in the festive spirit now! Christmas Lunch was a roaring success; we were thrilled to be able to host governors and the CHASA committee team. The Christmas parties were a lovely opportunity for children to mix in different groups and we are looking forward to ending the term in style with our Carol concert and Reindeer Rush sponsored event today, as well as a magical visit from a surprise visitor at the end of the day!

As we approach the end of term, on behalf of the staff, we would like to thank you to you all for your support, good wishes, cards and gifts. We are truly humbled by your generosity.

Thanks also must be extended to:

- our exceptional team of governors who provide so much support for our school in so many different ways.
- our amazing CHASA committee and members, who also do so very much for our school community and work tirelessly behind the scenes to enhance the opportunities given to our children.
- the whole staff team, who go above and beyond to educate, support and challenge the children in their classes and across the school.

Please do have a go at the School Lottery if you fancy it – they also supply gift vouchers, which could make an ideal last minute Christmas present for your nearest and dearest (speaking from experience... Merry Christmas Dad!!)

Have a restful holiday and enjoy some quality time with your loved ones! We look forward to seeing you all from 8:50am on Tuesday 9 January.

News from school this week

School Council – Team Points Treat

Well done to GREEN team who were the winners of this term's treat! They really enjoyed their Christmas hot chocolate and sweet treats alongside a viewing of The Snowman.

After Christmas it all starts again so good luck to all teams!

Thanks again to Miss Walker, School Council Lead, for organising this.

Sadly we were too busy enjoying the treats to get a photograph!

Safeguarding Update – Online Safety

Please read alongside the guide in full which is attached to this newsletter...

- At this time of year, it's highly possible that you have a new phone, games console or other digital device stashed somewhere at home, ready to be unwrapped. Many parents also prefer to place some protective measures on those gifts – to keep their child shielded from potential #OnlineSafety risks – while others would like to, but aren't sure where to begin.
- Our guide shepherds you through the process of establishing parental controls on new internet-enabled devices, from smartphones to laptops to consoles. Simply find the device in question and read on to find out what options you have and how to enable them – letting children enjoy their shiny new gadget, without so much of the worry over where it might lead them.



Reindeer Rush – this afternoon!

Raising money for St Leonards Hospice

By the time you read this, we will be really close to taking part in this year's event. The children will be bringing their antlers and Reindeer food home. I am really excited about this year's additions. Fingers crossed that the weather behaves!

Its not too late to sponsor this amazing charity... thanks so very much to those who already have donated.

Fundraising Expert is fundraising for St Leonard's Hospice, York (justgiving.com)

Mrs Helfferich



Class News- APPLE

What an action-packed time we have had! Lots of ICT from repeating Christmas Lots of ICT from repeating Christmas patterns, decorating a Christmas tree and designing a Christmas jumper. We watched 'The Snowman' whilst drinking hot chocolate and eating crisps. We then played in the 'snow' whilst listening to 'Do you want to build a snowman'. We made gingerbread house decorations which then progressed into making larger scale gingerbread houses. The children made snowflakes and amazing Christmas trees snowflakes and amazing Christmas trees, lots of scissor skills. Thank you to the team for everything they have done this week.

Have a very Happy Christmas from Mrs Helfferich and the team.





Class News - BEECH

Beech Class Christmas Crafts afternoon

We had a lovely crafty afternoon with Reverend Katie and Lucy Willshaw. We thought about the different parts of the Christmas story and each child made 4 different crafts to represent parts of the story including people of peace, an angel, baby Jesus in a manger and a candle for hope.



Mrs Dobson



Information for Spring Term 2024

School reopens to pupils on **Tuesday 9 January**. We look forward to an exciting term with each class focussing on the following themes and enquiry questions in their learning:

Class	Theme	Enquiry Question	Enrichment (Stunning Start/Marvellous Middle/Fabulous Finish)
Apple	 Dinosaurs Rock! Once Upon a Time 	 Which dinosaurs lived on earth? What important lessons can we learn from Fairy Tales? 	1) Dinosaur day 2) Author visit
Beech	Oh, I do like to be beside the seaside	What is it like beside the seaside?	Virtual tour of the Grace Darling museum
Holly	Tales from Dragon Mountain	Why do people live on volcanoes and mountains?	Volcano workshop – in school
Oak	Into the Darkness	What was it like to live in the Dark Ages?	York University visit – Astrocampus and Robotics workshop

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Club News

Please remember, there are NO CLUBS AT ALL until **w/c 15 January**. This includes Running Club before school. Details of clubs will be sent out the first week back. **Please note, we will not be accepting bookings for clubs until we return to school in January and the list has been distributed**.

Educational Visits – Spring Term

As outlined on the previous slide, there are plans afoot for visits and/or visitors for each class next term. In addition, Oak class will be visiting Sheffield Arena on **Tuesday 9 January** for Young Voices – thanks to CHASA for funding the cost of the travel for this!

Awards in School This Week

	Friendship	Forgiveness	Respect	Determination
Apple	Edmund Sadler	Lyuba Hobson	Mabel Ankers	Dianta Simpson
Beech	Tomas Davies	Henry Robinson	Esmond Tsang	Tabi Copley
Holly	Leo Bunker-Barnes	Riley-Mae Simpson	Keenan Lee	Evangeline Wardle
Oak	Aiden Simpson	Isabelle Sargent	Joah Brown	Brooke Smith
Headteacher	Rosie Seligman	George Ritchie	Alice Unsworth	Riley Hunsdale

PE Kits w/c 8 January 2024

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Beech	School			Х	Х
Holly	Closed - INSET		X (NB change of day)		Х
Oak				Х	Х

Apple: Children in Apple Class need to bring their Forest School kit in each **Friday**. Please send their PE kit in on Monday as children will change for PE in school. They will bring PE kits home for washing periodically.

Please ensure that on PE days, the children wear their hoodies, school jumpers or cardigans alongside white or blue t-shirts and black or navy shorts or jogging bottoms.

Attendance and Punctuality

	Attendance	Punctuality
Apple	85.4%	1 late
Beech	95.9%	3 lates / 2 children
Holly	94.4%	2 lates / 2 children
Oak	91.9%	2 lates / 2 children

Please try to arrive at school on time – it is really important for a smooth, settled start to the day



DID YOU KNOW? A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is 94.7%



will have missed 2 full weeks of school in one year?



LOTTERY UPDATE:

We have raised £50! Come and join us to make a real difference and have the chance of winning great prizes. Buy a ticket before 23/12/23 to be entered into the Christmas Superdraw! We are on target to make £1372.80 of our £2080 target this year, with 66 tickets sold out of our 100 target. Please share far and wide and help us to get to 100!

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/ school/crayke-c-of-e-primary-school

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/cause-data/69fff70b-431f-48e4-b699-e0d3389bbf96/leaflets/8123681c-4783-4f35bd8e-7ba7fd3db3b7/support_our_school_2019%20-%20digital.pdf?updated=638340908586300000

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Church News



St Cuthbert's, Crayke @ Christmas



Family Service: Advent Sunday Dec 3rd 10.30am (refreshments from 10.15)

Carol Service: Wednesday Dec 13th 6pm followed by mince pies & mulled wine

Nativity Service: Christmas Eve 6pm



(Do come dressed as a character from the Nativity story if you would like – adults are welcome to join in too!)

Midnight Holy Communion: Christmas Eve 11.30pm

Come and join in the Celebrations!

