

CRAYKE

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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"Follow your pathway and we grow together with confidence"

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Crayke Chronicle



Message from the Headteacher

Another week, another visitor! On Monday, we welcomed Kellee Osborne from North Yorkshire Council into school to meet Mrs Helfferich and I for a safeguarding visit. Her feedback included this:

“It was so good to catch up with you both today and hear about all the safeguarding practices and procedures you have in place. Your school is so welcoming and vibrant, with happy children and dedicated staff – a joy to see!”

All children in school this week have had the opportunity to visit their new classrooms and spend time with their new teachers. There was a real buzz in school on Wednesday morning – not least because we had a record 113 children on site!

Last night the children had an absolute ball at Party on the Playground – an ENORMOUS thank you to CHASA for making this happen; you really are the best PTA in the world and we are SO lucky to have you!

Have a lovely weekend,

Judi Jackson
Headteacher

Staffing Update

I am beyond excited to announce some superb developments within our school leadership team! As of September 2025, Mrs Helfferich will be stepping into the role of Assistant Headteacher and Mrs Dobson will be promoted to Senior Teacher.

Both Mrs Helfferich and Mrs Dobson have shown unwavering dedication and loyalty to Crayke CE Primary School over their many years of respective service. Their commitment to our school community and their passion for nurturing our children have made a significant impact on our school environment.

These promotions come at an exciting time for our school, as their complementary skill sets will serve to strengthen our leadership capacity enormously. We are confident that their leadership will continue to inspire both staff and children alike.

Please join us in congratulating Mrs Helfferich and Mrs Dobson on their well-deserved promotions!



Message from Mrs Helfferich and Mrs Dobson:

"We are both very pleased with our new roles. We look forward to working with and supporting Mrs Jackson and the rest of the team to ensure that Crayke continues to be the wonderful and nurturing place in which we love to work!"



Sports Day – Please read!

Important reminders:

Should you wish to join us for the picnic, please arrive at school for 12pm **and no later than 12:15pm**. Please bring your own seating/blankets and food for yourselves. The children will be provided with a school packed lunch. We respectfully ask that you do not bring any alcohol to this event.

The children will be taken back inside at 1pm to be registered and will then come back outside to commence activities at 1:15pm. Should you wish to join us only for the sports, please arrive at school for 1pm **and no later than 1:15pm**. **Please note that for safety reasons, the gate will be locked at 12:15pm, reopened at 1pm and then locked again at 1:15pm.** We request that any photo/video footage is not shared on any social media platforms.

****Please park at the Sports Hall. Any cars parked on or near the school site are done so at your own risk.****

News from School – Class Swap Morning



There was much excitement on Wednesday morning, as captured in these images from across school!

News from School – Spirited Arts Exhibition

It was brilliant to welcome so many parents, carers and friends of the school on a VERY warm afternoon to view our whole school Spirited Arts Exhibition. Some people wanted to give a donation at the time but didn't have cash on the day – here's a QR code with a link to SumUp, should you so wish. We would be very grateful for any donations received and these will go directly towards supporting our upcoming Inter Faith day next term.

Take a look at the next slide for some photos of the art exhibition in full swing!

A huge thanks to all the staff involved with the set up, preparation and delivery of this event, particularly Mrs Seligman and Miss Walker, our RE and Art Subject Leaders, as well as our superb Year 6 ambassadors.



Spirited Arts Competition – Art Exhibition



News from School

– Annual Parent/Carer Survey

Final reminder: If you haven't already done so, please take a few minutes to fill in our survey.

The link to complete the survey is available here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/dnLtbeShdV> and will remain open until Monday 7 July 2025.

Thanks for all the lovely comments received so far!



News from School – Jigsaws Price Increase

We wish to inform you that, due to rising costs, unfortunately the fees at Jigsaws Before and After School Club will be rising in September 2025 by a small margin.

This means the fees from next term will be:

Breakfast Club - £5.50

After school club only (until 4:30pm) - £5.00

After school full session (until 6:00pm) - £11.00

The 20% sibling discount will continue to apply.



News from School – Courageous Advocacy

Last week, we shared details about Spirituality; this week we bring details about another concept we will be sharing with the children and our community in more depth next term...

Courageous Advocacy at Crayke CE Primary empowers students to become informed and engaged citizens who speak out against injustice and work for positive change. Our aim is to equip our children with the skills and confidence to advocate for their beliefs and make a difference in their communities and beyond. We hope to inspire children to stand up for justice and be agents for change and to have the confidence to know they have a voice.

News from School

– Summer Reading Challenge



Last Friday afternoon, we welcomed Wendy from Easingwold Library into school to launch this year's summer reading challenge. The theme is "Story Garden". Ask your children all about it – or visit the library for more details. It would be wonderful to have a record number of participants this year!

Class News - APPLE

It's amazing how a cardboard box can entertain a class of children. Out came the cardboard saws, scissors, tape, glue, crayons and their imaginations. They showed all of the school values: determination, forgiveness, respect and friendship. They also showed resilience. The excitement will continue as I have two more big boxes for them.



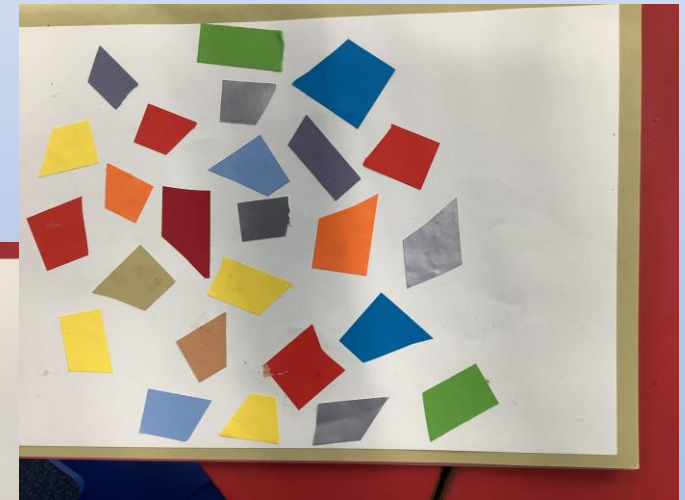
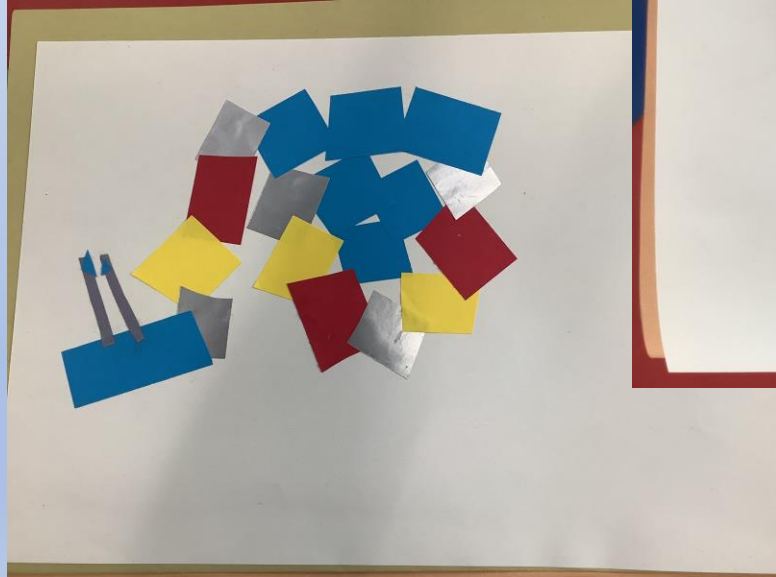
Mrs Helfferich



Class News - BEECH

This week we have been looking at Henri Matisse and his creation 'The Snail' (shown here in the top right hand corner). We looked at how he used collage to create 'The Snail'. Then we tried to create our own versions of 'The Snail' using collage. Next week we will choose our own animals to create in the style of Henri Matisse's collage. Here are a few examples of our art work this week.

Mrs Dobson



Class News – HOLLY

It has been another busy week in Holly class and we are taking every opportunity to practice for the play next week. If they haven't already, please make sure your child has a black outfit in school for our first performance on Monday.

On Monday this week, we had Humanist Tony Margetts come in to teach us more about the beliefs of Humanists. He discussed what Humanists believe about the Big Bang Theory and children were able to ask some great questions.

Miss Williams



Class News - OAK

This week, we have been researching about different aspects of the Maya civilisation, starting to produce our own 'non-chronological reports' to share with the rest of the class.

We have also been developing our fielding skills in rounders, each taking a turn at the different roles and continuing our work on clear communication to play effectively as a team.

Whilst the Year 5s have had their two transition mornings, the Year 6s have been working on watercolour rainforest paintings to go in the Learning Hub and have begun recording a special video to share with Year 6 parents back at school after the Leavers' Service in the final week!

Mrs Rayner



The Year of the Outdoors

What are you doing outside of school?

Last weekend, Arthur took part in the Wakefield Junior Triathlon, he had to swim 150 meters, Bike 4km and run 2km. It was a hot day, but as always he gave it his all! Well done Arthur!

Last Sunday I spent the day helping to run my eldest son's under 7's summer football tournament. It was a very warm day and all the boys tried extremely hard. I was very pleased to find Cam there taking part too – I know that Cam is a great footballer from all the stories he tells us in Beech class about his various matches and medals. Luckily our teams didn't play each other so I didn't have to pick a side! Here's a picture of me and Cam in sun! ☺

Please send any more ideas to:
ldobson@crayke.n-yorks.sch.uk



It was wonderful to receive this gorgeous photo over the weekend of these three footballing super stars, who all won awards for Easingwold Football Club U9s! Well done!



Upcoming Events

Boogie Bounce Fun Session

- Boogie Bounce workshops offer a range of benefits including enhanced cardiovascular fitness, improved muscle tone and stress relief. It is a low impact workout, so it minimizes the stress placed on the joints. It is fun and energetic which can help boost our mood.
- **Wednesday 9th July at Crayke School** - Please can children wear their PE kits, bring a named water bottle, sun cream and hats. If it is looking overcast, can children please bring jumpers and waterproof light coats.

Thank you

Mrs Helfferich PE Lead

Upcoming Events

'Y6 Leavers Bake Sale'

Wednesday 16th July
Afternoon Break
50p donation

Raising funds
for the new Art
Shed

Thank you for
your
Support
Mrs Gears

Upcoming Events – Please read!

ANNUAL REPORTS – w/c 14 JULY 2025

Parents/carers can expect to receive their child's annual report during the last week of term. As last year, we intend to email reports instead of producing them on paper. As well as the environmental impact, this also ensures fairness for separated parents and reduces the risk of them being lost.

However, we do appreciate that some parents may not have access to a printer and may prefer to have a paper copy.

Therefore, if you would prefer a paper copy, please do contact us to confirm this: admin@crayke.n-yorks.sch.uk

We will send a text to confirm that we have emailed the report which will enable you to know it is on its way. Please do let us know if you have recently changed your email address so that we are able to update our records.

Upcoming Events – Please read!

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS – LAST WEEK OF TERM

Please note that there will be **NO CLUBS AT ALL** (except Jigsaws) during the last week of this term. Therefore, the final sessions for each club will finish during **w/c 7 July**. This includes Running Club.

We do try our best to only cancel clubs in exceptional circumstances, but please do keep an eye on your text messages from the Teacher2Parents app in case we unavoidably do have to cancel a session for any reason.

END OF TERM – EARLY FINISH

Please note that we finish for the summer holidays on **Friday 18 July** and school will close at the earlier time of 2:30pm. We reopen for the Autumn Term on **Wednesday 3 September 2025**.

Extra Curricular Clubs



- The children have had a lovely time making bobble keyrings and spirograph patterns.
- We have practised our tennis and cricket skills and they have also been introduced to golf.
- They have continued to enjoy hammering nails into wood and we have revisited making elephant toothpaste.
- Here are a snapshot of their activities:



Extra Curricular – Breakfast Session



Breakfast Club opens each morning from 7:30am. Children can enjoy a nutritious breakfast and fun with their friends before school! It costs £5 a session with a 20% sibling discount. On Friday we offer a special “Fit Friday” session where Mr Shimwell leads sporting activities before school. Places are bookable via Parent Pay.



Unchanged
from last week

Extra Curricular – Club Session



The following clubs are available to book via your Parent Pay account. Each club runs from 3:30pm until 4:30pm and is available for all children from Reception to Year 6. It costs £4 per child with a 20% sibling discount. Please contact jigsaws@crayke.n-yorks.sch.uk if you have any queries.

Monday	Craft
Tuesday	Games and board games/STEM
Wednesday	Forest school/Gardening
Thursday	Sports
Friday	Chill

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Extra Curricular – Full Session



Jigsaws After School Club is open every day until 6pm. Children are given a nutritious light tea and enjoy a range of high quality activities led by Caroline and supported by Mrs Griffiths. It costs £10 a session with a 20% sibling discount. Places are bookable via Parent Pay.



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from last week

PE Kits w/c 7 July 2025

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Apple			X		Wear PE Kit Bring Forest School kit
Beech			X	X	X
Holly		X	X		X
Oak		X	X – Y6 only		X

All children: Please ensure that on PE days, the children come to school wearing their hoodies, school jumpers or cardigans alongside white or blue t-shirts and black or navy shorts or jogging bottoms. On other days, full uniform should be worn.

Attendance and Punctuality

Last week's attendance figures (w/c 23 June 2025): **92.7%** School Target: **96%**

	Attendance	Punctuality
Apple	91.9%	0 lates
Beech	94.8%	1 late
Holly	91.9%	0 lates
Oak	91.9%	2 lates (1 child)

If you are unsure
whether or not to send
your child to school, have
a look at this website:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Please note we are now
reporting attendance
data one week behind

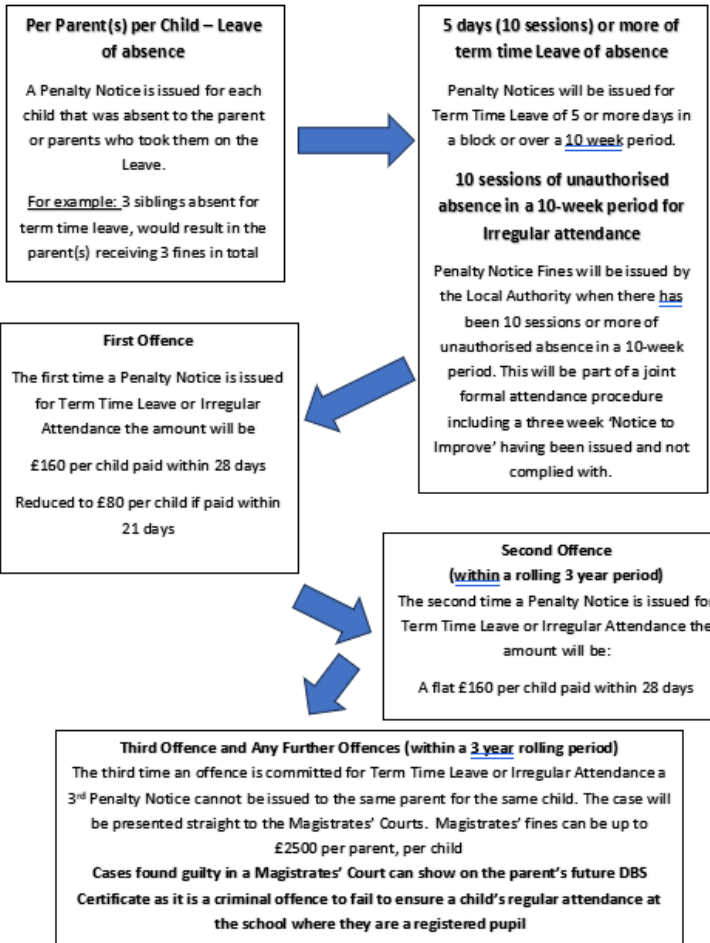


Attendance and Punctuality

New rules around attendance are now in force. Further details are outlined here.

Attendance is Changing

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notices issued after the 19th August 2024





Thank you to all those who helped in any way with the Party on The Playground, the children absolutely loved it and it raised £778.50 (+ gift aid & fund match) for school 🍦

Next CHASA meeting – **Friday 11th July** 9.15am
@ meeting room at St Monica's, Long St, Easingwold. All welcome
or if you wish to dial in do let us know:

bstubbins@crayke.n-yorks.sch.uk



On behalf of the
staff, parents
and children –
the biggest
THANK YOU for
a **fantastic**
event, CHASA!





Online Auction – Now Live!

We are excited to announce the launch of the **CHASA Summer Online Auction**, to raise funds for school to create and enhance outdoor areas and support next year's festival theme.

This is your chance to bid on a range of *fantastic experiences* generously donated by local businesses and supporters. Whether you're looking for a special dining experience, a fun family day out over summer, a gift or a unique treat, there's something for everyone.

31 Auction Deadline: Friday 11th July – so don't miss your chance to grab something amazing while supporting the school. Follow the link below to the auction site to start bidding now! Please share the link with family, friends and on social media - anyone can join in and bid, it's open to all.

Thank you for your support and happy bidding! CHASA ♡

<https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/craykeprimaryschoolcharityfundraisingauction2025>

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