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Message from the Headteacher

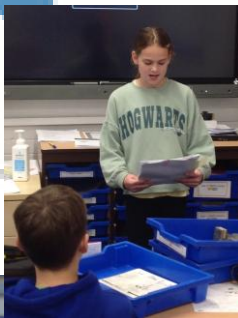
Another busy and fun-filled week! The weather caught us all by surprise on a couple of occasions this week but thanks to the hard work and determination of everyone, disruption was minimal. A special mention must go to Mrs Dobson and Mrs Walsh who cleared the snow and gritted all the paths yesterday morning to ensure it was as safe an entry route as it could possibly be. Today Mrs Dobson was joined by Miss Williams and Mrs Helfferich. Many thanks and well done ladies!

As you'll know by now, the pigs have gone to Mrs Helfferich's house for a little holiday due to our ongoing efforts to address rat problems on the school grounds. We are continuing to work diligently to resolve the issue and appreciate your understanding and support during this time.

Have a lovely weekend,

Judi Jackson

Headteacher



Children in Need Day
2025
Great fun was had
by all !





Children in Need

Totals from the 'Bake Sale' = £80
With your kind donations added = £293



**Thank you for your support and
donations**

**Well done to the Team
Captains and Pupil
Ambassador for all their
hard work and enthusiasm.**



Safeguarding Update - Photography

As part of our ongoing commitment to safeguarding and protecting the privacy of all children at Crayke CE Primary School, we are in the process of updating our photography and filming policy for all school events including church services and nativity performances.

On the following slide, please find a brief Q&A guide outlining our expectations and procedures regarding photography and filming during these events. To ensure the safety and comfort of every child:

- Photography and filming during school events is to be strictly prohibited at all future school events.
- Opportunities will be provided after the event for parents and carers to take photos or videos **of their own children only**.
- Reminders about this policy will be given both verbally and in writing before and during events.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in helping us maintain a safe and respectful environment for all children. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact



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Photography Quick Read

<i>Can I take photos or videos during school events such as church services or nativity performances?</i>	No. Photography and filming during school events are prohibited to protect all children's privacy and safety. This includes the use of phones and cameras during the event.
<i>Why is photography during events not allowed?</i>	This policy helps us safeguard children by preventing unauthorised recording and sharing of images, protecting children's privacy, and ensuring everyone feels safe and respected.
<i>Will I have a chance to take photos or videos of my child?</i>	Yes. After the event, there will be designated opportunities for parents and carers to take photos or videos of their own children only .
<i>How will I know about the photography rules?</i>	We will remind parents and carers both verbally and in writing before and during events about the no-photography policy to ensure everyone understands and follows it.
<i>What if someone takes photos or videos during an event without permission?</i>	If this happens, staff will remind them that photography is not allowed. Persistent or serious breaches will be addressed according to the school's safeguarding and child protection procedures.
<i>How does the school manage photos and videos it takes?</i>	The school only uses images with clear written consent from parents/carers and children. Images are stored securely and used responsibly, with children's safety and privacy as a priority. Names of children are never used alongside images, other than in exceptional circumstances where permission has been sought and approved.

News from School – Support for Families

This FABULOUS resource page has been shared with me by a Speech and Language Therapist and I cannot underestimate how useful it is for parents and carers. There's a suite of videos, a list of advice sheets and then, if you keep scrolling, a list of websites.

<https://www.hnyhealthiertogether.nhs.uk/professionals/lets-make-sense-together>

 Bathtime Tips	 Brushing Teeth Tips for Young People, Parents, and Carers
 Calming and Regulating Ideas for Young People, Parents, and Carers	 Calming and Regulating things to try for Parents, Carers, and Schools
 Car Journeys - Information for Young People, Parents, and Carers	 Chewing Tips for Young People, Parents, and Carers
 Hair Cutting - Things to try for Parents and Carers	 Head Banging - Information for Parents, Carers, and Schools
 Help and advice on products that might support children and young people	 Introceptive Differences - Information for Young People, Parents, Carers, and Schools
 Managing your own Sensory Processing Regulation - Things to Try for Teenagers and Young Adults	 Sensory Activity Record - Older Children

Further Information and Resources

[Humber and North Yorkshire Healthier Together](#) has a list of links and resources to use if you need support and advice around wellbeing and mental health.

The [Dyspraxia Foundation](#) provides information and support about Dyspraxia (also known as Developmental Coordination disorder)

[ADHD UK](#) provides information and support about ADHD

[The National Autistic Society](#) provides information and support about autism. It also provides [information on social stories and comic strip conversations](#) you might find helpful

All six of our council's SEND Local Offer websites can be found on [our website](#)

All six parent carer forums, providing support and information for parents and carers, can be found in [our local information section](#), under 'Parent Carer Forums'.

[Caudwell Children](#) provide a range of services for children and families, designed to remove some of the barriers that children face and enabling them to reach their full potential. From birth into early adulthood, they provide practical and emotional support for thousands of disabled and autistic children every year.

[Caudwell Children's Charity Funded Sensory Packs](#) are affordable and are specifically designed to support children. Their packs are also fun, educational, durable and safe. Many of the items are compact, so they are suitable for travel or to take to school.

[The Sleep Charity](#) provide advice and support to empower the nation to sleep better. They campaign to improve sleep support and access to high quality information, raise awareness of the value of a good night's sleep and promote understanding around the complexities of sleep.

News from School – Support for Families

<https://nyestraining.co.uk/parents>

Unlocking Courses For Parents

Below are the NYES SEND and Inclusion courses for parents and carers.

You will need to sign up (at the top of the page) for an account and add 'Parent' as the job title.

Scheduled Courses

The below courses will either be taking place online or in person, at a set date and time. This is shown in the listing.



Unlocking SEMH for Parents/Carers

Thu, 20 Nov 2025, 10:30 - 12:00 | Microsoft Teams

To understand and support your child's social, emotional and mental health needs at home.



Unlocking Autism for Parents & Carers

Wed, 21 Jan 2026, 10:00 - 13:00 | Harrogate

Unlocking Autism is a free course for parents and carers of children and young people with communication and interaction needs.



Unlocking Autism for Parents & Carers

Mon, 23 Feb 2026, 09:30 - 11:30 | Community Room, Police Station, Alverton Court Crosby Road Northallerton North Yorkshire DL6 1BF

Unlocking Autism is a free course for parents and carers of children and young people with communication and interaction needs.



Unlocking ADHD for Parents/Carers

Wed, 11 Mar 2026, 13:00 - 14:30 | Microsoft Teams

Understand and support difficulties with attention, impulsivity and hyperactivity at home.



Unlocking SEMH for Parents/Carers

Thu, 18 Jun 2026, 13:00 - 14:30 | Microsoft Teams

To understand and support your child's social, emotional and mental health needs at home.

Pre-recorded Courses

The below courses are available to watch in your own time.



Unlocking Autism for parents and carers of young people

eLearning | Available until: 23/12/2025

This is for practitioners, parents and carers of children and young people with communication and interaction needs. Children do not need to have a diagnosis of autism in order for parents to attend



Unlocking ADHD for parents and carers

eLearning | Available until: 23/12/2025

Understand and support difficulties with attention, impulsivity and hyperactivity in school.



Unlocking Autism+ modules for parents and carers - Girls

eLearning | Available until: 23/12/2025

Girls & Autism - Unlocking Autism+ for parents



Unlocking Autism+ modules for parents and carers - Identity

eLearning | Available until: 23/12/2025

Unlocking Autism+ modules for parents and carers - Identity



Unlocking Autism+ modules for parents and carers - PDA

eLearning | Available until: 23/12/2025

Unlocking Autism+ modules for parents and carers - PDA



Unlocking Autism+ modules for parents and carers - Selective Mutism

eLearning | Available until: 23/12/2025

Unlocking Autism+ modules for parents and carers - Selective mutism

**DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE:
THURSDAY 27 NOVEMBER**

News from School – Girls Football

- Following a recent conversation with John Dutton, our qualified football coach, we have developed a proposal to offer a half-term block of football sessions specifically for girls during the Spring 1 and Summer 1 terms of 2026. Meanwhile, boys' coaching will continue during the Spring 2 and Summer 2 terms. This would maintain a balanced offer for all and also potentially offer the opportunity for some friendly fixtures against other schools during the summer term.
- The sessions would be open to children in Years 3 to 6 and are planned to take place on Fridays after school from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm. **To make this financially viable, we would need a minimum of eight participants for the girls' coaching sessions. So far we have received 3 positive responses.**
- We would like to give parents and carers sufficient time to consider and express interest. This will help us determine whether we can proceed with the girls' football coaching. Therefore, if you would like your daughter(s) to participate, please complete this short survey here: <https://forms.office.com/e/GPPX0TmwKD>
- We will inform you of the outcome well before the end of term to allow you to put necessary plans in place.

Class News- APPLE

Another week, another adventure around the village. We walked up behind the church, then down Lover's Lane, across the fields, through the village and back to school. The children have been busy drawing significant landmarks which we will include on our map.

We have learnt about the princesses in the royal family and designed crowns for the Apple Class princesses whilst we celebrated National Princess Day. We have learnt about how toilets are different in each country and in which countries we would need to carry around our own roll of toilet paper. We talked about toilets in this country and how they have developed over the years; It was World Toilet Day on Wednesday.



Mrs Helfferich



Class News - BEECH

This week, Beech class have enjoyed designing, making and testing their thrones in DT! They had to use their growth mindsets when it got tricky sticking the different parts together. We tested the thrones by sitting our little frog on them to see which would stand on their own and stay stable to hold our frog. Lots of children enjoyed decorating their thrones too!

Mrs Dobson

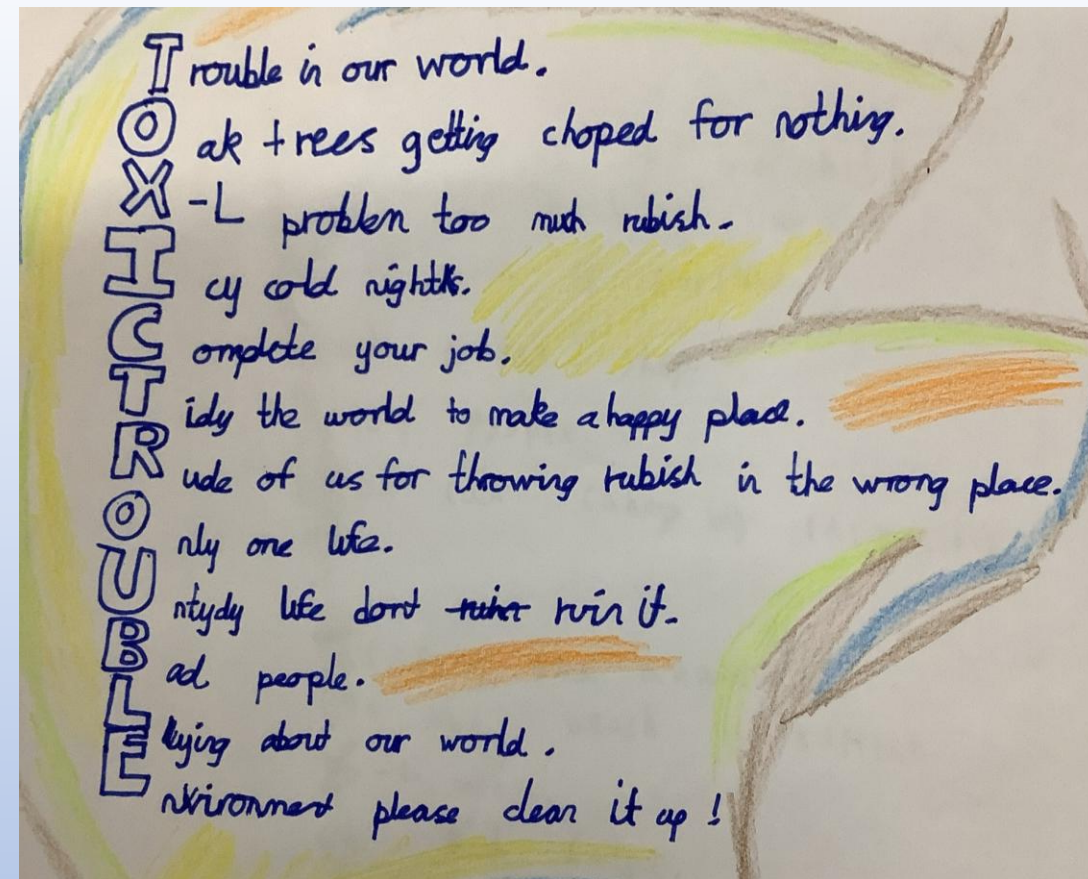


Class News – HOLLY

This week we have finished off our poetry topic by writing acrostic poems about pollution. The children have worked so hard to write these in a persuasive way to encourage people to use less plastic and not drop litter. I have been blown away by their persuasive poems and it was hard to choose just a few for the newsletter!

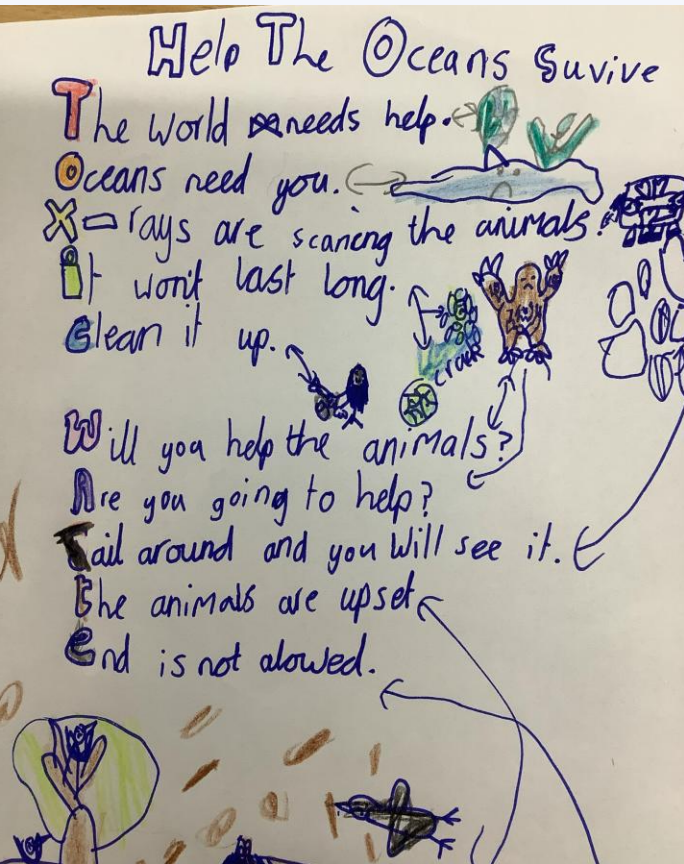
In history this week, we have been learning about the history of Crayke and put together a timeline of key historical events in the village. If you have any local area history you would like to share please send it in with the children!

Miss Williams



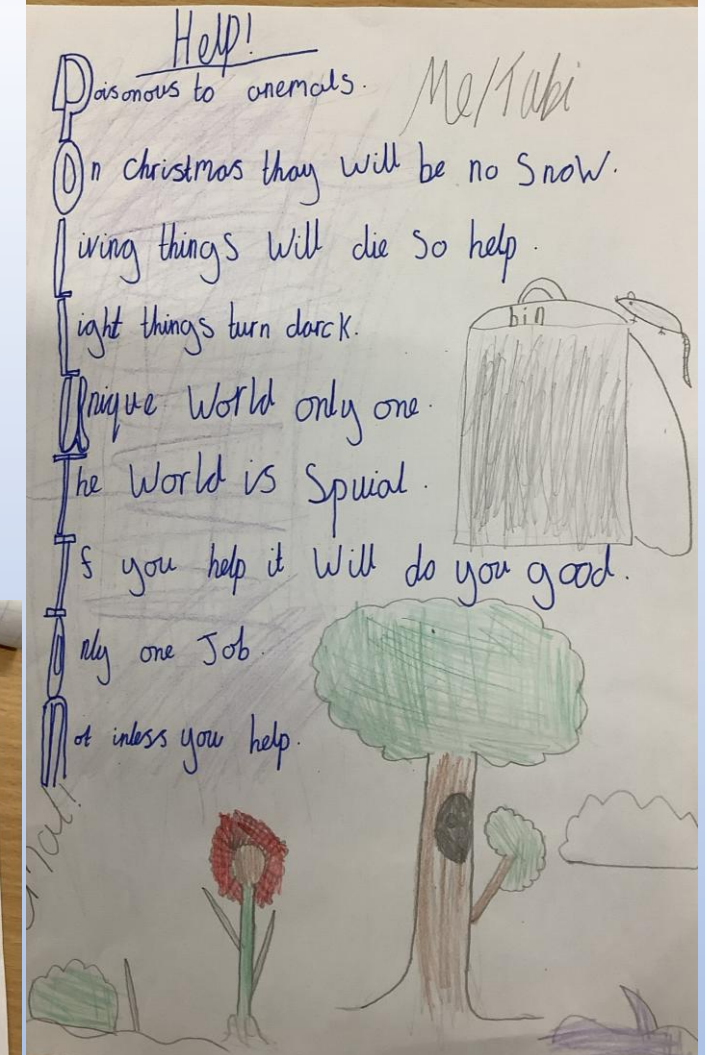
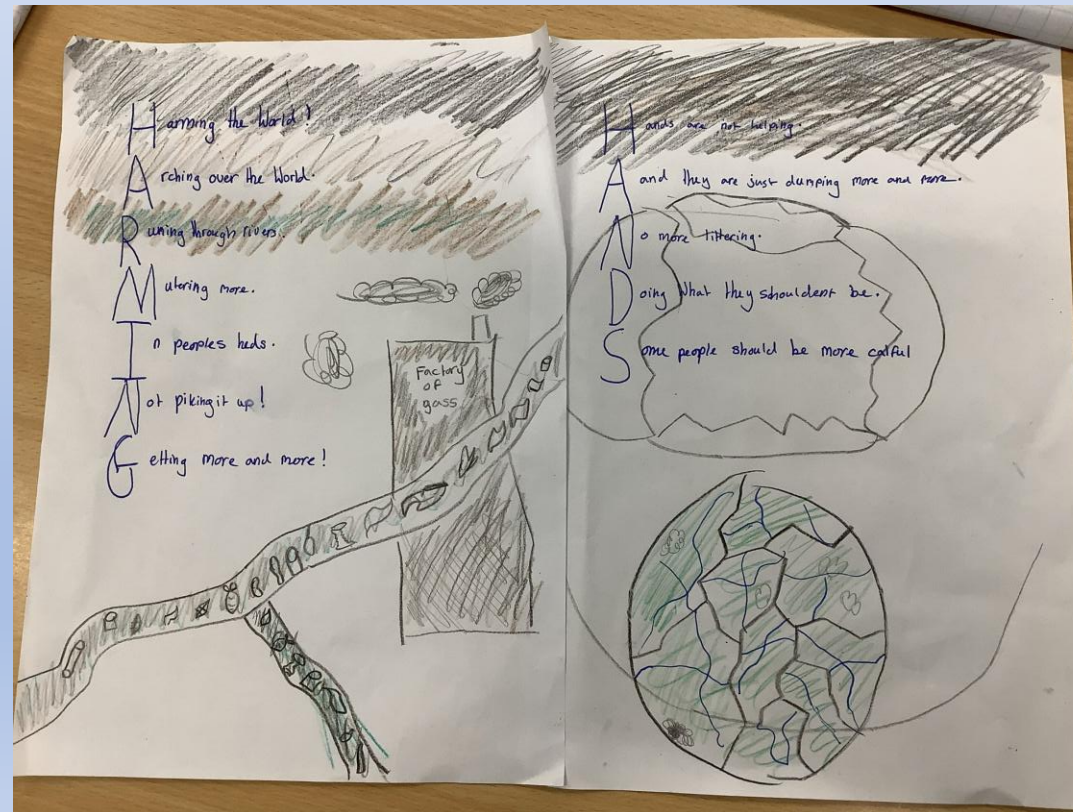
Jaiden





Alanna

Sophy



Tabi

The world is dying.

Only one world.

Xander throws rubbish in the sea.

I'm throwing lines on the floor.

Giving lives.

Wasting the world.

All you can do save the world.

Save our lives from dying.

Toxic is everywhere.

Empty places.

By Isla

Isla

Plastic is very harmful to animals.

Goat to the heaven's "Stop throwing rubbish in the sea."

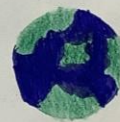
Options are Keep throwing rubbish in the sea or Stop!

Do the people who throw rubbish in the sea.

Loose the rubbish from the sea.

evaporate the plastic and keep the sea clean.
Map the rubbish from the sea

People are mean to the sea.



Only pick one piece of rubbish and it goes a long way.

Long tails of pollution goes in the sea.

Leave the animals be.

Above the sea it looks just fine but below it looks like a bin.

Top tip Stop throwing rubbish in the sea!

If you see a person throw ~~any~~ rubbish in the sea stop them.
The sea needs help.

Zephie

Poison takes over the planet

Options are not good

Now you can do it you just got to try

Shout out loud

On the planet there are living things

Now will you help

Only one world

Use your voice say something

Save the planet!



by William

William

Class News - OAK

This week, Oak Class have been exploring Balanced Arguments in English. We enjoyed practising our grammar skills in a new way- by playing noughts and crosses! It was a fun way to try out different grammatical techniques to elevate our sentences. Within Maths, we have been learning about Fractions particularly converting fractions so they can be subtracted. All children have shown fantastic determination when tackling this tricky topic.

In Science, we investigated solubility through setting up our own investigation. We looked at which common items would dissolve in water. Some surprised us!

Please don't forget to complete your allergy form for DT (see email from Mrs Bacon) as next week we will be creating our Greek feast!

Mrs Seligman and Miss Walker



Extra Curricular Clubs

What another busy week!

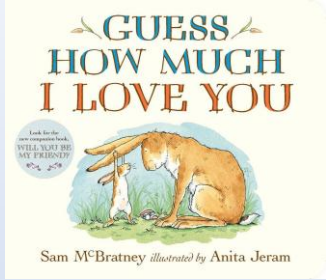
The children have had fun with dancing and testing out their own marble run! They have enjoyed making fridge magnets and baking bread. Cars and blocks, ping pong and making dens have proved to be popular too.

Here are just a snap shot of their games.



Recommended Bedtime Reads

Miss Walker recommends 'Guess How Much I Love You' By Sam McBratney



If there's one thing that Hattie loves, it's bunnies (and cake) and this book has two lovely bunnies in it. This story is all about a little hare who is on his way to bed. He is trying to compete with Big Nutbrown Hare over who loves who more. It's cosy and warm and full of lovely little details. I especially like how Big Nutbrown Hare squeezes in the last word just as Little Nutbrown Hare drops off to sleep!

I love this book because it's a true classic. I remember my mum reading it to me before I went to bed! Even if you're a bit bigger now (Year 6s!) I think it still feels so nostalgic to cuddle up with someone you love and read it together.

Miss Walker

A super choice Miss Walker & Hattie! I love this book and even had it as a reading at our wedding! I hope you enjoy! Mrs Dobson ☺





Upcoming Events – Christmas@Crayke 2025

Date	Time	Event	What we need from you as parents
Wednesday 3 December	Afternoon	Pantomime at the Sports Hall	Ensure your child has a warm coat and water bottle. CHASA have kindly funded the full costs of this experience.
Monday 8 December		Christmas cards can be brought in from today	Please ensure that Christmas cards are clearly labelled with first name, surname and class to ensure safe delivery to the correct recipient.
Tuesday 9 December	9:30am	Nativity Dress Rehearsal	All children involved need their costumes ready before today.
Wednesday 10 December	9:30am	Nativity Performance 1	Book your tickets! Information to follow.
	2:15pm	Nativity Performance 2	
Tuesday 16 December	From 12pm	Christmas Lunch	If your child normally has a packed lunch and would like Christmas Lunch please contact Mrs Bacon on admin@ In the event of dietary requirements, a form will require completion prior to the event.
Tuesday 16 December	pm	Christmas Party afternoon	Come to school wearing party outfits.
Wednesday 17 December	1:30pm	Christmas Carol Service at St Cuthbert's Church	Parents and carers are welcome to join us at church for the service.
Friday 19 December		Christmas Jumper Day	Children are welcome to wear non-uniform and Christmas jumpers.
		Reindeer Rush afternoon	Please ensure appropriate footwear for running outside. Sponsorship information sent separately.
		End of term -2:30pm	



PE EVENTS NOVEMBER/DECEMBER



- **Thursday 27th November** – Parkrun School Talk – Collective Worship
- **Sunday 30th November** – Crayke Takeover at Millfield Parkrun – All welcome. 9am at Millfield Park
- **Friday 5th December** – Reindeer Rush Daily Mile at Running Club – All welcome.
- **Friday 19th December** – Reindeer Rush/Elf Run for St Leonards Hospice



Awards in School This Week



	Apple	Beech	Holly	Oak
Stars of the Week	George	Rosie Wd	Isabelle	Barnaby
		Sylvie	Esmond	Joshua
Gold Awards for Sport	Maisie	Zeffy	Jacob	Elijah
Headteacher Awards	Violet and Lyuba			
School Council Kindness Award	William T			
Cloakroom Ninja Award	Beech			

Team Points

Team	Points
Corrie ten Boom	404
Martin Luther King Jr	220
Mahatma Gandhi	365
Queen Elizabeth II	331

Well done **Corrie ten Boom** team!



Queen Elizabeth II



Mahatma Gandhi



Corrie ten Boom



Martin Luther King Jr

Want to know more
about our House Teams?

See:

<https://craykeschool.org/house-teams/>

PE Kits w/c 24 November 2025

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Apple					X
Beech				X	X
Holly	X				X
Oak		X (SWIM)			X

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 all other days, full uniform should be worn.

Attendance and Punctuality

Last week's attendance figures (w/c 10 November 2025): **93.7%** School Target: **96%**

	Attendance	Punctuality
Apple	98.5%	1 late
Beech	95.7%	No lates
Holly	94.8%	No lates
Oak	88.8%	1 late

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

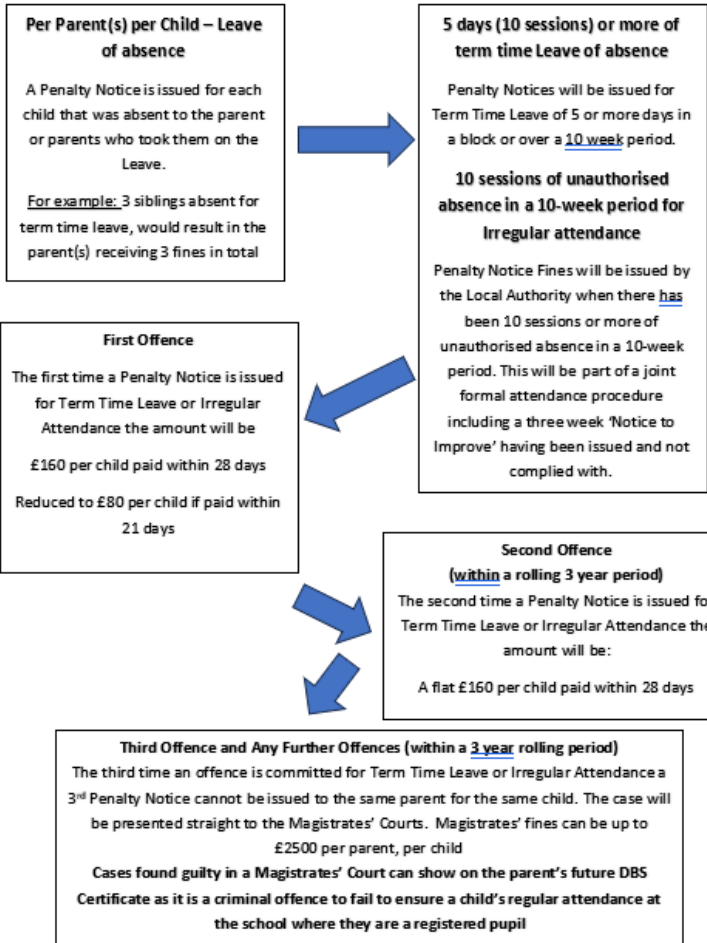


Attendance and Punctuality

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





The next CHASA meeting will be on **Thursday 27th November at 8pm.**

This will be a virtual meeting on Zoom, and all are welcome to join.
Zoom meeting details:

Join Zoom Meeting Link: [Click here to join Zoom meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 224 269 6030 Passcode: K3CFL0

[Click here for join instructions](#)