

CRAYKE

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Crayke Chronicle



Message from the Headteacher

It seems to have been ages since the last newsletter. Have you missed it?!

Since our last Chronicle, we have, amongst other things:

- Welcomed our Reception new starter parents for a meeting and all the children for a Stay and Play session with their parents/carers.
- Started doing show-rounds for the 2027 Reception cohort.
- Got going with “Matilda” rehearsals and it is already sounding FANTASTIC!
- Celebrated Mrs Helfferich’s special birthday.
- Supported Year 4 to access the MTC (well done and thank you to Miss Williams and Miss Ford).
- Overseen the phonics check for Year 1 and some Year 2 pupils (well done and thank you to Mrs Dobson and Mrs Walsh).
- Confirmed staffing arrangements for next year – see next slide.
- Started to get very excited about our focus next year – the Year of Reading (thank you CHASA for giving us funds to zhuzh up our reading corners!)
- Begun to write end of year reports and started to plan for transition to new classes.

There’s 5 weeks to go of this academic year – let’s make every day count.

Have a lovely weekend!

Judi Jackson
Headteacher

NEWS FROM SCHOOL



**Next newsletter –
Friday 26 June**

Staffing Arrangements 2026/2027

I am delighted to confirm that the staffing arrangements for 2026/2027 are largely unchanged from this academic year.

The full staffing timetable is available for you to read on the following slide.

Further details will follow in the Autumn Term about who to contact for specific reasons, should you have any queries or questions.

Staffing – 2026/2027

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
APPLE	Mrs Helfferich	Mrs Helfferich	Mrs Helfferich / Mrs Robinson <small>(alternate)</small>	Mrs Helfferich (am) Mrs Gears (pm)	Mrs Helfferich
	Mrs Hetherington	Mrs Hetherington	Mrs Hetherington	Mrs Hetherington	Mrs Hetherington
BEECH	Mrs Seligman	Mrs Dobson	Mrs Dobson	Mrs Dobson	Mrs Dobson (am) Mrs Walsh (pm)
	Mrs Walsh	Mrs Walsh	Mrs Walsh	Mrs Walsh	Mrs Walsh
HOLLY	Miss Williams (am) Mr Brown (pm)	Miss Williams	Miss Williams (am) Mr Brown <small>(alternate pm)</small>	Miss Williams	Miss Williams
	Miss Ford	Miss Ford	Miss Ford	Miss Ford	Miss Ford
OAK	Miss Walker	Mrs Seligman	Mrs Seligman	Miss Walker	Miss Walker
	Miss Clarke	Miss Clarke	Mrs Peacock	Mrs Peacock	Mrs Peacock

Uniform Expectations

A brief reminder about uniform expectations from the start of term in September 2026.

- **School-branded items:** please buy only Crayke-branded sweatshirts, cardigans and PE tops (showing the Crayke logo). Plain items of the same colour are also acceptable. **Other visible brand logos (e.g. Nike, Adidas) should not be worn on any item of school clothing.**
- **Shoes/trainers:** plain black only — no coloured logos, bright soles, flashing lights or fluorescent trim.
- **PE days:** children should wear plain navy, grey or black shorts only (no patterns or visible brand logos). PE tops should be a Crayke logo tee or a plain white polo; dark joggers and dark trainers are acceptable in cold weather.
- **Pre-loved uniform** is available termly via CHASA and branded items can be purchased from our usual supplier: <https://school-shop.co.uk/school/crayke-primary-school/>

If a child arrives in unsuitable clothing, we may contact parents and ask for more appropriate items to be brought in for the day.

If the cost of replacing uniform is a concern, please contact the school office or speak to me confidentially — we will support families.

Thank you for helping keep Crayke smart, fair and united.

Parking reminder – keep our children safe

Please help keep everyone safe at drop-off and pick-up times:

- Please park at the sports hall and avoid parking on or near the junctions by the school. Vehicles parked at the junctions make crossing the road much more difficult and create a dangerous pinch point during busy times.
- The layby must not be used for dropping off or collecting children unless you have a prior arrangement with the headteacher. If you need an exception, contact the school office so we can plan it safely.
- Thank you for working with us to protect our pupils and neighbours — your cooperation shows our school values of respect and care in action.

CLASS NEWS



Class News- APPLE

This week, we have been celebrating World Ocean Day. We learnt how we can protect our oceans. We learnt that there are five main oceans; Pacific, Atlantic, Indian, Southern and Arctic.

The children played in the 'ocean' with various different creatures, they made 'rainbow' fish and used stencils to draw/colour their sea creatures.

When we go to the seaside, we will make sure that we put all of our rubbish in the bin.

Mrs Helfferich



Class News - BEECH

The week before half-term, Beech class had a visit from Kathryn from the Arboretum. We have been studying Andy Goldsworthy and his collage work through natural materials. Kathryn brought a variety of materials from the arboretum for the children to use to create their masterpieces. They had lots of fun working in small groups and discussing their ideas before bringing them to life!

Last week we used a variety of different materials including natural ones for printing. The children had lots of fun with this! This week we have started looking at non-fiction reports in our English lessons – it would be great to look at some non-fiction books at home and the key features of them including contents page, photographs, headings, sub-headings, labels, glossary and index.

I have been extremely proud of my phonics group this week and the determination they showed when taking their phonics screening check this week! It was wonderful to see how far they have come! 😊

Mrs Dobson

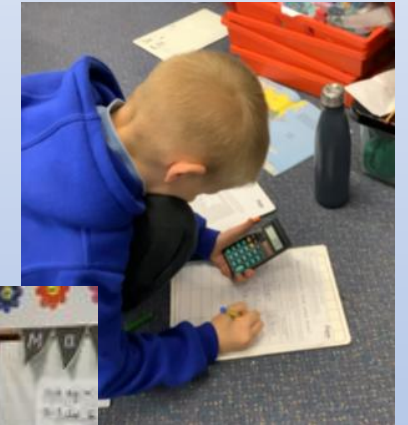


Class News – HOLLY

We thoroughly enjoyed our whole school writing project in English last week, and produced very persuasive letters to stop the building of new homes on green belt land! The children have recalled lots of information from our last writing project and our environment topic which they have been able to include. As part of our 'tense' lesson, children acted out different verbs and worked to put them in a sentence in the past tense.

In geography, we have continued to learn where food comes from and we have been calculating just how far different foods travel to get to us by using a scale on a map, which has also been an excellent example of using maths for a real purpose!

Miss Williams



Class News – OAK

Oak Class have been exploring screen printing as part of our Pop Art unit in Art. We researched key artists and iconic art pieces. We used our research to create our own designs based on the theme of 'Our journey at Crayke'.

Andy Warhol was famous for using a technique called screen printing. We replicated the process in class and printed our designs onto T-shirts. They're lovely as a memento of our time at Crayke.



EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



Extra Curricular Clubs



Jigsaws have explored a range of fun filled activities which included making hats for hat Day, painting bug stones and paper windmills.

Ice cream Friday was a welcome event on a hot day.

STEM club included planting seeds, Lego aeroplanes and experimenting with magic milk.

As the weather has been unpredictable the children have challenged each other in team matches of table tennis, hockey and musical freeze.

Here are some of our photos:



UPCOMING EVENTS



Pre loved uniform sale

Uniform items will be available to purchase from the CHASA shed on Wednesday 17 June at 9:30am.



Sports Day – Friday 26 June

Further information will follow next week around the timings and logistics of Sports Day.

In the meantime, please ensure that your child has a t-shirt to wear for Sports Day that is the colour of their House Team. They should all know which colour to wear!

OTHER NEWS





Thank you so much for all the 'Make The Rules Day' donations, which raised £168.27 for the school. 🎉

CraykeFest Tickets Now On Sale!

Friday 10th July 4pm - 6.30pm at Crayke School

Children MUST be accompanied by their parent/carer

An event for all the family where children will receive their own passport book and visit different festival activity areas to collect stamps!

£10 first child ticket (includes hotdog, juice and all activities)

£7.50 sibling child ticket (includes hotdog, juice and all activities)

£5 adult ticket includes entry to event and entry into Star Raffle

Tickets must be bought prior to the event and ticket sales close on **28th June**

Purchase tickets here: <https://crayke-home-and-school-association.sumupstore.com/>

Hotdogs, soft drinks, cakes and ice-cream available to purchase **CARD ONLY**

All proceeds will go to the school. Thank you for your support and we look forward to the whole school family coming together for this fantastic event 🎉



Awards in School This Week



	Apple	Beech	Holly	Oak
Stars of the Week	Martha	Wilfred	Cameron	Leo
		Astrid	William	Oliver
Gold Awards for Sport	Albie	Nancy	Constance	Frankie
Headteacher Awards	Alanna and Elise			
School Council Kindness Award	Sylvie			
Cloakroom Ninja Award	Holly			

Team Points

Team	Points
Corrie ten Boom	109
Martin Luther King Jr	381
Mahatma Gandhi	309
Queen Elizabeth II	338

Want to know more about our House Teams?
See:
<https://craykeschool.org/house-teams/>

Well done Martin Luther King Jr team!



Queen Elizabeth II



Mahatma Gandhi



Corrie ten Boom



Martin Luther King Jr

PE Kits w/c 15 June 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Apple					X
Beech				X	X
Holly	X				X
Oak	X				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.

PE Kits w/c 22 June 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Apple					SPORTS DAY: WEAR HOUSE TEAM COLOURED T- SHIRT
Beech				X	
Holly	X				
Oak	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 1 June 2026): **95.2%** School Target: **96%**

	Attendance	Punctuality
Apple	90.6%	No lates
Beech	99%	No lates
Holly	93.2%	No lates
Oak	95.5%	No lates

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

