

CRAYKE

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Respect | Friendship | Forgiveness | Determination

"Follow your pathway and we grow together with confidence"

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Crayke Chronicle



"There are many little ways to
enlarge your child's world. Love
of books is the best of all."

Jacqueline Kennedy

Message from the Headteacher

Well, here we are and it's the final full newsletter of the year! A condensed version will be shared next Friday to wrap up the year, but this will be the last chance this term to read your child's class news. We hope you have enjoyed the regular opportunities to have a window into the world of your child/ren at school!

The highlight of this week has got to have been the incredible performances of Matilda; the memories of this will last forever. There have been so many other exciting things going on too though – as you will see from this bumper edition of the newsletter.

As we head into the final week of term, thank you for all the support and kindness from so many families in so many ways. We are very lucky!

Have a lovely weekend,

Judi Jackson
Headteacher

NEWS FROM SCHOOL



Sports Day



What a super afternoon! Well done to all involved and thanks to Mrs Helfferich for all her hard work and preparation for both Sports Day and Sports Week (next slide!)



SPORTS WEEK

This week we have taken part in different activities:



Ryan Swain –
actor, DJ, radio
presenter,
comedian,
motivational
speaker and
skateboarder!



Lunch activities: skipping, running, get fit and
Party on the playground. Mrs Helfferich



Jess Clarke – Former Lioness, female
player for Leeds, Lincoln and Notts
County. Motivational Speaker.

Healthy Schools – Bronze Award

We are delighted to inform you that we have been awarded the North Yorkshire Healthy Schools Bronze Award.

An enormous thanks to Mrs Helfferich who has led on this project this year, ably supported by governor Julie Cater. We received this feedback from the North Yorkshire Healthy Schools team: “I am very pleased to be writing to award the Bronze Healthy Schools award for your Food in Schools theme. Our partnership group was very impressed with your application. The group also noted all the great work you have been doing to alleviate poverty around e.g. signposting the food bank to families and recycling for Nepal.”



School Lunches – no price increase!



We are delighted to report that after some negotiations with our Catering supplier, NYES Catering, we will be able to keep the school meal cost at £3.80 for the next academic year.

School meals provided by NYES Catering are designed to offer pupils nutritious, balanced, and enjoyable food that supports their health and learning throughout the school day. Using quality ingredients and menus that meet national school food standards, NYES Catering provides a variety of freshly prepared meals to suit different tastes and dietary requirements, helping every child enjoy a healthy lunchtime experience.

Just a reminder that earlier in the year we introduced more choice for school meals. Children in Year 1 to Year 6 can choose between the planned school meal or select an alternative; which rotates between a pasta dish, jacket potato with filling or a panini.



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.

**Unchanged from last
newsletter**

PAT Dog Ginny



Mrs Gears

PETS AS
THERAPY



Apple Class pupils have really enjoyed their first introduction to Ginny this half term made extra special with the help from their Year 6 buddies.



KS2 Climate Justice Project

Artwork from Holly & Oak

Holly

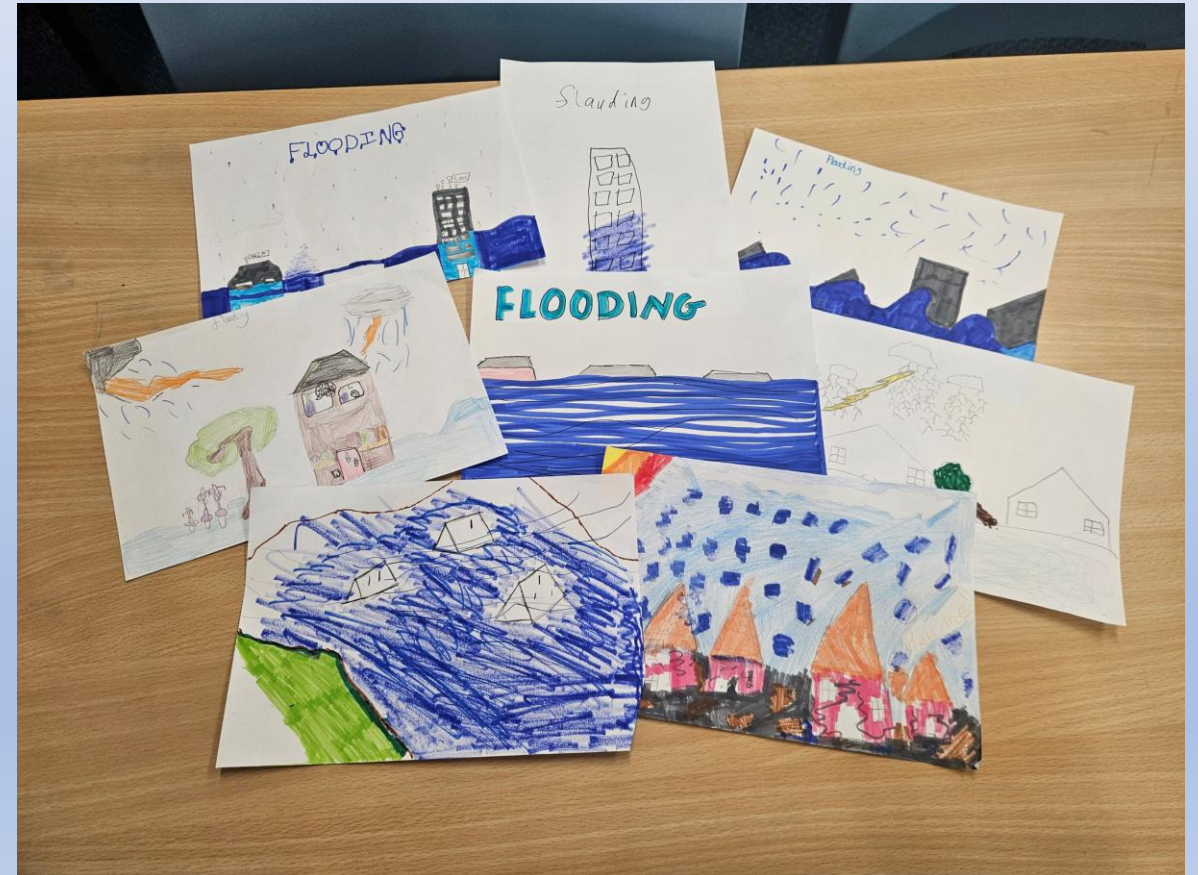
The children learned about climate change focusing on 4 main areas: drought, wildfire, flooding and pollution. They each created a piece of artwork about one of these topics, put together to create a piece of art for The Great Big Green Week. The purpose being campaigning for change, showing the children that they can make a difference. Children were able to discuss and identify groups of people who would be more affected by climate change.



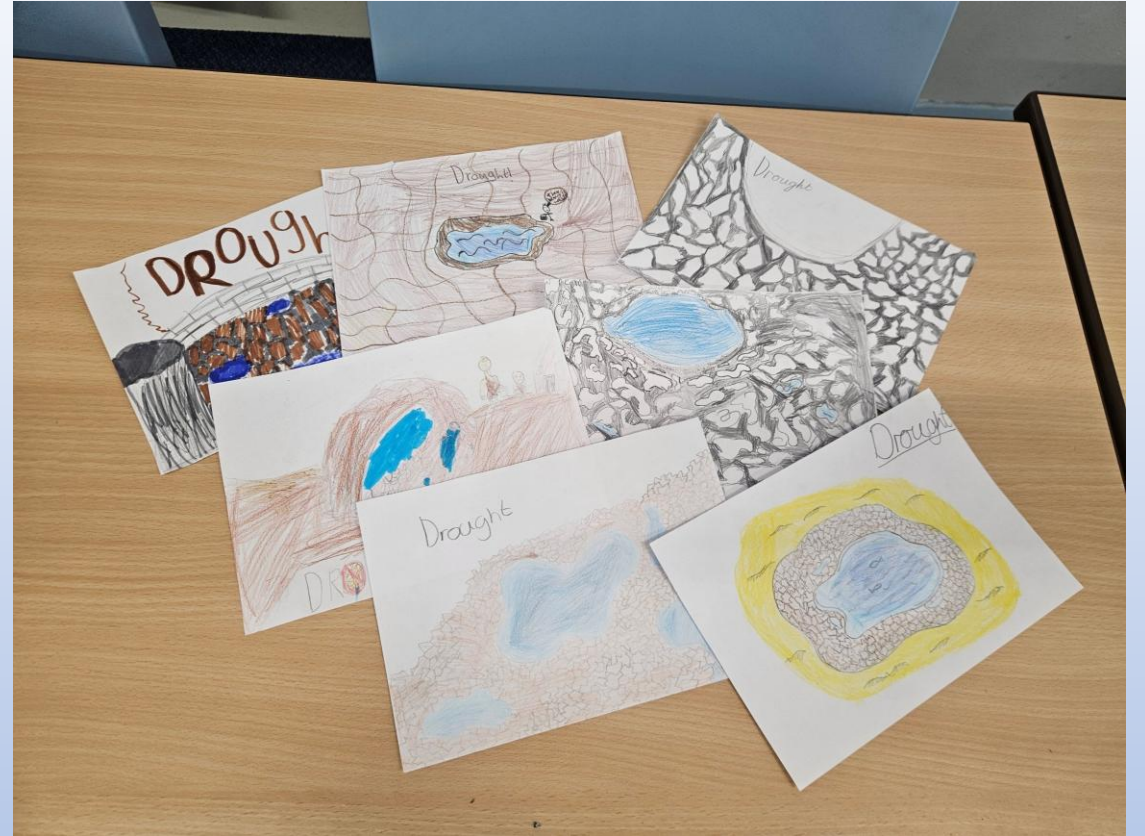
Holly



Oak



Oak



CLASS NEWS



Class News- APPLE

“The best school trip ever!!”



Apple Class at Monk Park Farm.
Thank you CHASA for funding the
coach.



Class News - BEECH

This week Beech class have finished their summer pouches and brought them home - I am sure you will all agree they have tried very hard! We have enjoyed sports week. On Tuesday we played beanbag rounders and worked well in small teams. On Wednesday we enjoyed our skateboarding workshop and used our determination well. On Thursday we were very excited to meet lioness, Jess Clarke! What a super week! Finally, just a quick message to say thank you for a super year Beech class! Mrs Walsh and I will miss our wonderful Year 2s lots and look forward to welcoming back our Year 1s in September as Year 2s!

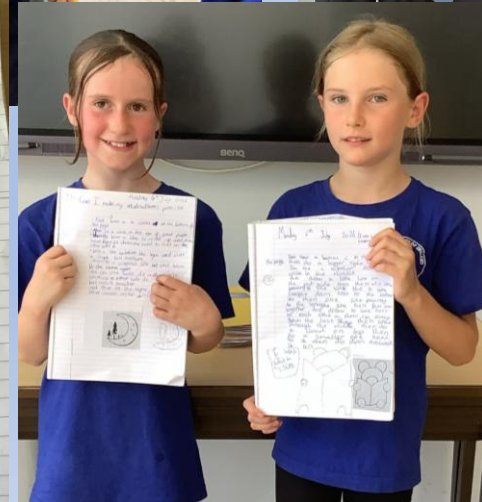
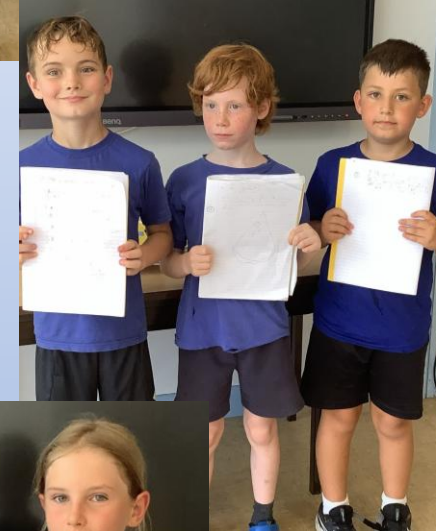
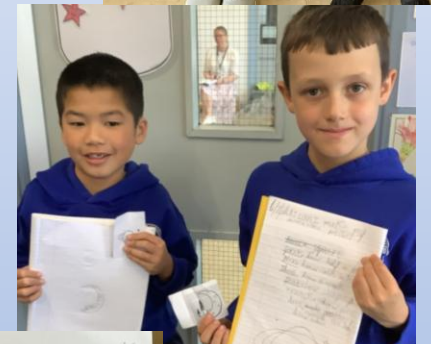
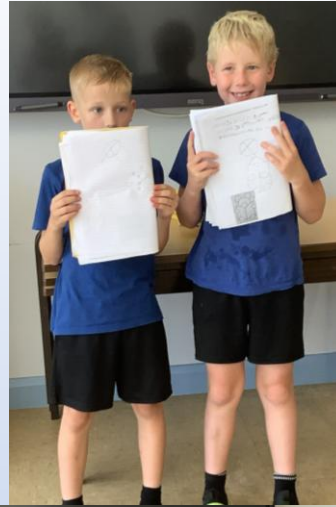
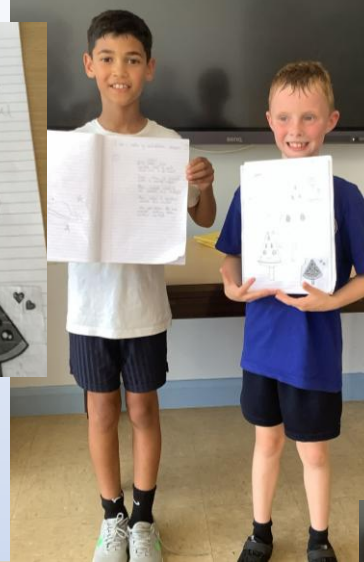
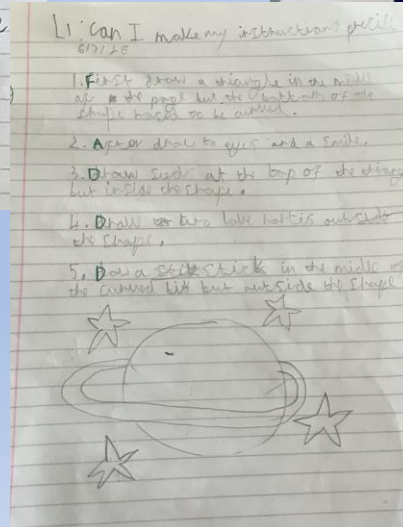
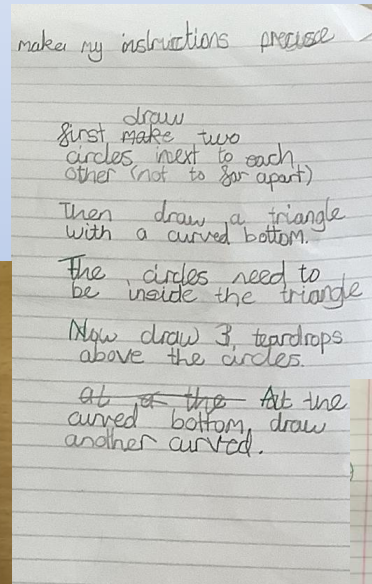
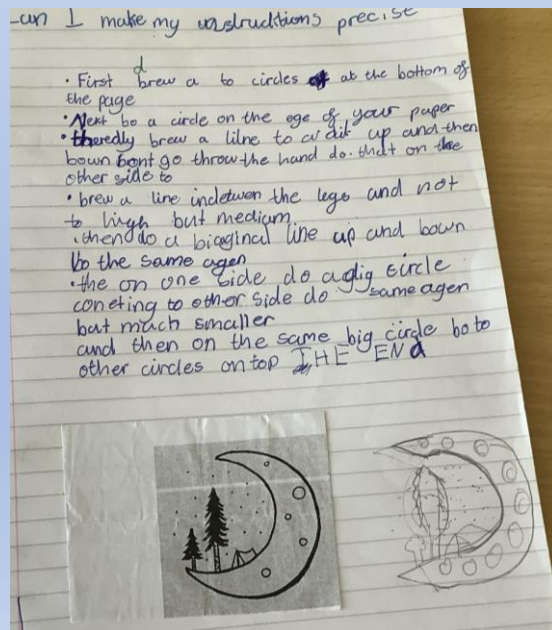
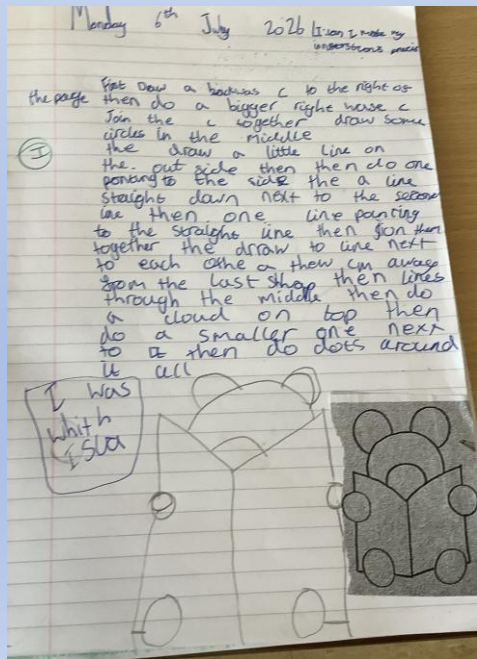
Mrs Dobson



Class News – HOLLY

In English this week we have been thinking about what makes a good set of instructions and the importance of each step being precise. To practice this, we wrote a set of instructions on how to draw an object and followed each others instructions without seeing what we were drawing. The results were very accurate and it was lovely to see their pride in their work!

Miss Williams



Class News – OAK

Oak Class have worked incredibly hard this half term with their production of “Matilda the Musical”. It was a huge success and such a lovely experience. We are unbelievably proud of their dedication, perseverance and enthusiasm.

We’d also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has been involved with supporting the children and staff- we absolutely couldn’t have done it without you. Thank you!



EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



Extra Curricular Clubs



- The children have loved a variety of activities such as free painting, making parachutes, marble runs, catapults and model boats.
- They have decorated coasters and made peg fairies and cone animals.
- They have continued to enjoy OPAL activities too.

Have a lovely summer break!



Clubs next academic year

- We are currently reviewing our after school Club offer for September and will share further details in next week's newsletter. Please be reassured that Jigsaws will continue to operate as previously; we're just looking to revitalise the nature of the clubs that we offer within the 3:30-4:30pm session. If anyone has any ideas please do let us know via jigsaws@crayke.n-yorks.sch.uk
- We are also looking to enhance our before school offer to incorporate an opportunity for children to read to each other. Running Club will continue to be available too.

UPCOMING EVENTS



OTHER NEWS



Charity Fundraising – Thank you!

Dementia Forward
Registered Office
George Armitage House
Church Lane
Burton Leonard HG3 3SD

Tel: 03300 578592
Email: Info@dementiaforward.org.uk
Web: www.dementiaforward.org.uk



Your North Yorkshire Charity
Care and Support for Life



16th June 2026

Crayke C Of E Primary School,
Easingwold Rd,
York
YO61 4TZ

Dear Crayke Primary School,

On behalf of Dementia Forward, we would like to say a huge thank you for participating in Hat Day this year, it means a lot to us as a local charity to have the support of the community.

Hat Day has become our annual campaign to end the stigma of dementia and help our society become more dementia friendly, with your help, we are making this possible. We hope to have you join in with Hat Day again on 21st May 2027.

Dementia Forward provides help and support to thousands of families and carers across the whole of North Yorkshire, and this is only made possible by the generous donations made to us such as this one.

Thank you once again for your continued support, it really is very much appreciated.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Sian Meehan".
Sian Meehan

Community Fundraiser

The logo for St Leonard's Hospice, featuring a sun icon and the text "St Leonard's Hospice".

A HUGE THANK YOU

To **Crayke Primary School**

For **Donations following performances of Matilda**

Raising **£171.00** On **7/8 July 2026**

You've done something amazing!

Why not let people know and help spread the word...

www.facebook.com/stleonardshospiceyork

[stleonardshospice](https://www.instagram.com/stleonardshospice)

[St Leonard's Hospice](https://www.linkedin.com/company/st-leonard-s-hospice)

The logo for the Financial Reporting Regulator, featuring the letters "FR" inside a circle.

St Leonard's Hospice, York, is a registered charity, no. 289294 and a company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales, no. 01431033

REGISTERED WITH FINANCIAL REPORTING REGULATOR

Inclusive Mainstream Toolkit

– support for parents and carers

This valuable resource is now live and available for parents and carers to access support, ideas and strategies from. Please do take some time to have a look at this website:

<https://nyes.info/imt>





Speech, Language and Communication Advice Appointments

'Come and talk to us for advice and support around all aspects of your child's speech, language & communication skills'.

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY ~ PLEASE BOOK A 15 MINUTE SLOT

Where – [Stokesley Globe Community Library](#)

When – Monday 27th July 2026, morning appointments

North Road, Middlesbrough, TS9 5DH

Where – [Galtres Centre, Easingwold](#)

When – Wednesday 29th July, 2026, morning appointments

Market Place, York, YO61 3AD

Who will be there?

Linda Dalgliesh – Speech & Language Therapist

Liz Wilson – Speech & Language Therapy Assistant

Please contact us to book a slot by emailing

liz.wilson@northyorks.gov.uk.

For any queries please ring 07989 727022

Awards in School This Week



	Apple	Beech	Holly	Oak
Stars of the Week	Trixie	Alina	Henry	Olive
		Elsbeth	Louie	Lucas
Gold Awards for Sport	Albie	Rosie Wtn	Milo	Carl
Headteacher Awards	Year 5		Year 6	
School Council Kindness Award	George B			
Cloakroom Ninja Award	Oak			

Attendance and Punctuality

Last week's attendance figures (w/c 27 June 2026): **94.3%** School Target: **96%**

	Attendance	Punctuality
Apple	90%	0 lates
Beech	100% - WELL DONE!	2 lates (2 children)
Holly	92.9%	2 lates (2 children)
Oak	92.2%	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

