

CRAYKE

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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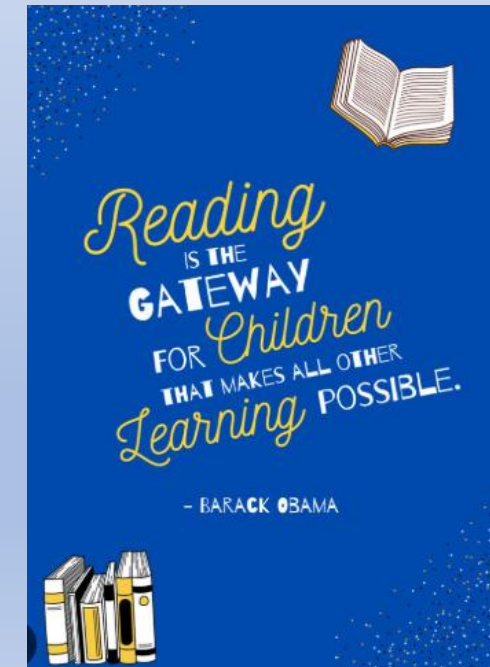
"Follow your pathway and we grow together with confidence"

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Crayke Chronicle



Reading revamp! Inspired by going to [Little Wandle Live events](#), Crayke Church of England Primary School used their July training day to set up new reading areas. Thank you to Reading Leader Lois for sending us the stunning results of that big team effort. And at Lois's request we're delighted to give a big 'You're Wandle-ful' shout-out to everyone at the school who made this possible.



NEWS FROM SCHOOL



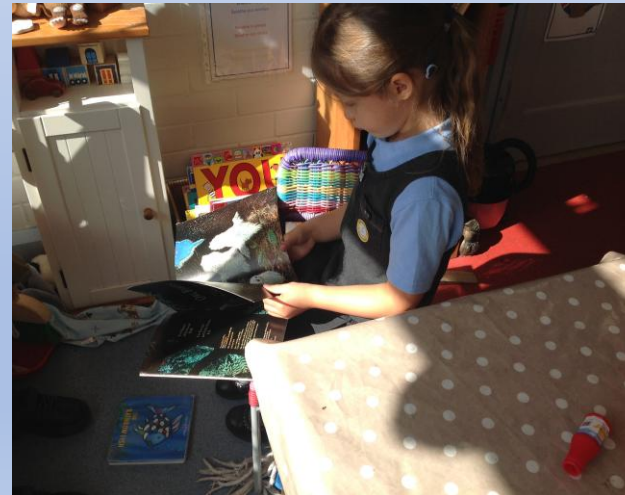
Reception – a super start!

Apple Class have settled into school really well. They have started to form great friendships with the children in their class, as well as the older children and staff in school.

They are exploring the classroom and our outdoor area. They seem to be book lovers already, which is a wonderful start to our Year of Reading!



Mrs Helfferich





Please send NAMED wellies into school so your child can enjoy playing on the field at lunchtime!

Thank you!



Governor News

<https://craykeschool.org/governors/>

Following the first Full Governing Body meeting earlier this week, we are delighted to share with you their review of the last academic year (attached to this newsletter and in the Governors' section of the website).

At the meeting, **Lucy Willshaw** was confirmed as our Chair of Governors for the forthcoming year, with **Fiona Ankers** as Vice Chair.

As a school, we are tremendously grateful for the hard work and dedication of our governors, which is a voluntary role that requires a significant amount of time. We are fortunate to have a full complement of governors who bring a wide variety of skills and expertise but who are united in their support for our school community. Here's to a successful year ahead!



Crayke Staff Shine for Cancer Research UK



This year, the majority of school staff, will be taking part in the **Cancer Research UK Shine Night Walk** in York on **26 September 2026**, coming together to walk, remember, support and raise money for such an important cause.

Cancer is a disease that has touched all of us in some way. Whether through a loved one, a friend, a colleague, or through our own experiences, we all know just how deeply it can affect individuals, families and communities.

As we walk together through the night, we'll be thinking of those we have lost, those who are fighting cancer, those who have overcome it, and all the families and friends who have supported them along the way. ❤️

We're proud to be taking part as a team from Crayke School and hope to raise as much as we can for Cancer Research UK, helping to fund vital research and bring us closer to a future where more people survive cancer.

If you'd like to support us with a donation, no matter how big or small, it would mean so much. Here is a link to the Crayke Team fundraising page <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/team/crayke-ce-primary-school>

Together, we can shine brighter! ✨



**CANCER
RESEARCH
UK**

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Reminders for next week (from Diary Dates)

Day	Date	Event	Who	Where
Monday	21 September 9:10am	Library visit	Oak Class	Easingwold library
Tuesday	22 September 1:15pm	Open Afternoon	All parents/carers welcome	School
Wednesday	23 September	Educational Visit	Holly Class	Yorkshire Museum
Friday	25 September 2:30pm	Parent workshop re reading and library led by Wendy Fountain	Parents/carers welcome	Hall
Friday	25 September 3:00pm	Presentation of Library Summer Reading challenge certificates	Participants	Hall

Open Afternoon **Tuesday 22 September**

- Programme of Events

Time	Event	Location	Led by	Other info
1:30pm	Parents/carers to spend time in classrooms	All classes	All staff	Drop in basis
2:15pm	Presentation to all parents/carers – priorities for the year ahead	Hall	Mrs Jackson	
2:35pm	Presentation for APPLE class parents/carers	Hall	Mrs Helfferich	Parents/carers of children not in these classes are welcome to spend additional time in classes during the other presentations.
2:45pm	Presentation for BEECH class parents/carers	Hall	Mrs Dobson	
2:55pm	Presentation for HOLLY class parents/carers	Hall	Miss Williams	
3:05pm	Presentation for OAK class parents/carers	Hall	Mrs Seligman	
3:15pm	Close – parents/carers to wait on playground to collect			

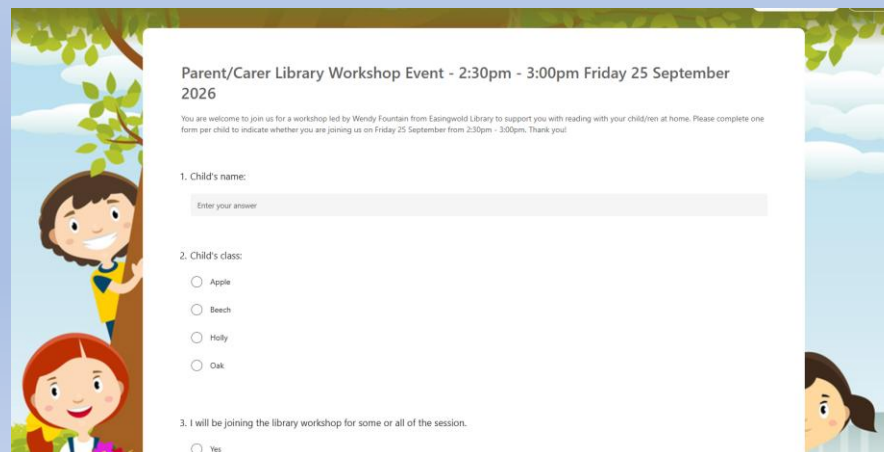
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BEYOND THE SCHOOL ENTRANCE**



Librarian Visit – Parent/Carer Meeting

On **Friday 25 September** our local librarian Wendy Fountain will be visiting school to lead a parent/carers workshop providing information about Easingwold Library and ideas about how you can support with reading at home. This will take place in the school hall from **2:30pm until 3:00pm**.

If you would like to join us for this event, please complete this form:
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/XfZAaSmNss>



The screenshot shows a Microsoft Forms registration page titled "Parent/Carer Library Workshop Event - 2:30pm - 3:00pm Friday 25 September 2026". The page includes a welcome message and three questions:

1. Child's name:
2. Child's class:
☐ Apple
☐ Beech
☐ Holly
☐ Oak
3. I will be joining the library workshop for some or all of the session.
☐ Yes

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EXTRA CURRICULAR 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 £5.50 a session with a 20% sibling discount. Places are bookable via Parent Pay.



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T: 07745 560985 (during opening hours)
E: jigsaws@crayke.n-yorks.sch.uk

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 £5 per child with a 20% sibling discount. Please contact jigsaws@crayke.n-yorks.sch.uk if you have any queries.

Monday	Craft
Tuesday	STEM
Wednesday	Open play – child led
Thursday	Sports focus (netball/hockey/skipping)
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 Fowler and Mrs Ozbey-Trottier. It costs £11 a session with a 20% sibling discount. Places are bookable via Parent Pay.



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JIGSAWS

AT CRAYKE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL
BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Jigsaws Out of School Club Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast	Cereal/toast Pancakes				
Snack	Fruit				
Term 1	Bagels, cream cheese, cucumber/ tomatoes	Beans on toast	Vegetable sticks, Salsa & Tortillas	Ham / Salmon & salad Wraps Yogurt	Tuna & Sweetcorn Pasta
Term 2	Toasted Sandwiches	Tomato Pasta	Beans on toast	Soup & Roll	Wraps
Term 3	Salad, Salmon or Turkey pitta bread	Mozzarella sticks, peppers & cucumber	Savoury Rice	Cheesy pasta	Vegetable sticks, tzatziki & tortilla Crisps

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YEAR OF READING



Magazine Subscriptions

 **Can you help us build an amazing reading culture at Crayke School?** 

As part of our exciting Year of Reading, we're looking for individuals or local businesses to sponsor a children's magazine subscription for the school.

We have identified these as fantastic options, and we'd love to build up a wide variety for the children to enjoy. It doesn't matter if we receive duplicate subscriptions – extra copies simply mean they can be shared across different classrooms! If you'd like to sponsor a magazine, you can browse the suggested titles here:

 <https://www.magazine.co.uk/kids-magazines>

Some of the recommended magazines include:

- National Geographic Kids
- How It Works
- The Week Junior
- Science + Nature
- FourFourTwo
- Eco Kids Planet
- History Extra
- First News
- Match of the Day
- The Phoenix Comic
- BBC Wildlife
- All About History

If you choose to sponsor one, please have the subscription sent directly to us at school: Crayke Church of England Primary School Easingwold Road Crayke York YO61 4TZ

If you own a business, or know someone who might like to support our school in this way, we'd be incredibly grateful if you could share this with them too.

Thank you so much for helping us inspire a lifelong love of reading in our children! ❤️ 

Birthday Books

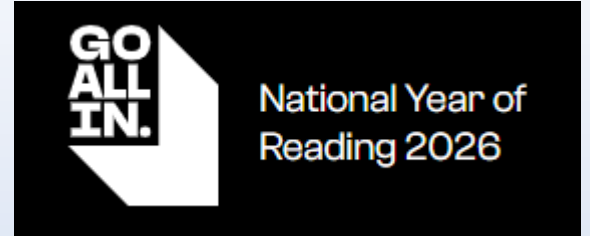


We love celebrating children's birthdays at Crayke — and this we're asking families to consider bringing a book instead of sweets. A birthday book is a small, new or gently loved story gifted to the class; it creates a lasting memory, builds our classroom libraries and supports our reading-for-pleasure priority.

If you'd like to take part, please label the book with your child's name and the date of the birthday; the teacher will read it with the class and it will remain in school for others to enjoy. Picture books for Reception–Y2 and short chapter books for KS2 are perfect; if you'd like suggestions, ask your child's teacher.

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Reading Recommendations



See leaflet attached to this
week's newsletter!



OTHER NEWS



Awards in School This Week



	Apple	Beech	Holly	Oak
Stars of the Week	Ocean	Elsbeth	Wilfred	Isla
		Martha	Oliver	Isaac
Gold Awards for Sport	Arthur	Harriet	Sylvia	Arianna
Headteacher Awards	Team Captains - India, Arthur, Grant and Eva and Pupil Ambassador - Mabel			
Cloakroom Ninja Award	Holly			

Team Points

Team	Points
Maya Angelou	202
Jane Austen	252
Stan Lee	420
Charles Dickens	198

Want to know more
about our House Teams?

See:

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



PE Kits w/c 21 September 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Apple			Bring Forest School Kit		Bring PE Kit
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. Hoodies should only be worn on PE days.

Attendance and Punctuality

Last week's attendance figures (w/c 7 September 2026 – 4 days): **97.6%**

School Target: **96%**

	Attendance	Punctuality
Apple	94.1%	0 lates
Beech	100% - WELL DONE!	1 late
Holly	97%	0 lates
Oak	98%	0 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



Let's make the
most of the



in school!

Honeyguide