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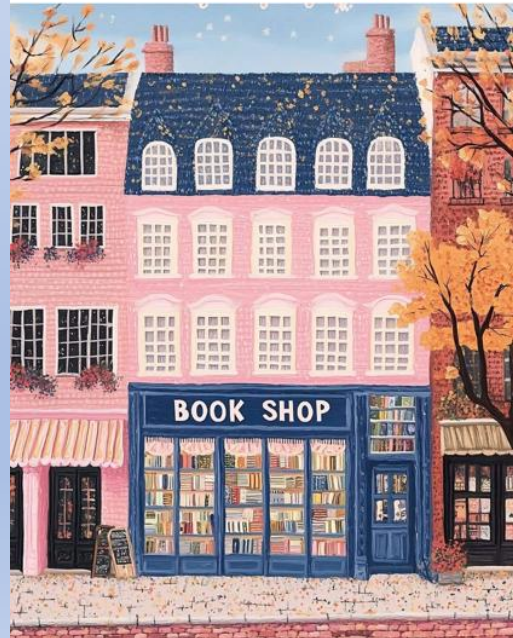
"Follow your pathway and we grow together with confidence"

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"I love walking into a bookstore. It's like all my friends are sitting on shelves, waving their pages at me." — Tahereh Mafi

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NEWS FROM SCHOOL



Leavers 2026 Gift to School

A **big thank you** to several of last year's Year 6 children, who came back after school on Monday to present us with the leavers' gift of Crayke School Sports Tops.

These were generously purchased by the parents and carers of our 2026 leavers and we're sure they'll be well used at sporting fixtures for many years to come.

We'll look smart and united - and we're hoping a little magic sparkle and good-luck glitter has been sewn into the seams!



UPCOMING EVENTS



Reminders for next week (from Diary Dates)

Day	Date	Event	Who	Where
Monday	19 October 9.30am – 10.00am	Apple Stay & Play	Parents/Carers of Reception children – pre booking required	Apple Class
Tuesday	20 October 1.05pm – 1.35pm	Apple Stay & Play	Parents/Carers of Reception children – pre booking required	Apple Class
Tuesday	20 October	Swimming	Oak Class	Thirsk Leisure Centre
Tuesday	20 October 3.40pm – 6.30pm	Parent Consultation Evening 1 of 2	Parents/Carers – All Classes Pre booking required	Classrooms
Thursday	22 October 9:05am – 9:30am	Phonics drop in session – please book your place via admin@crayke.n-yorks.sch.uk	Parents/carers of Year 1 and Year 2 by invitation	Beech Class
Thursday	22 October 3.40pm – 6.30pm	Parent Consultation Evening 2 of 2	Parents/Carers – All Classes except Apple Pre booking required	Classrooms
Friday	23 October	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS	ALL	N/A

Apple Class Stay and Play

Unchanged from
last week

Parents/Carers of children in Apple Class are invited to join us for a phonics based Stay and Play session on EITHER

Monday 19 October 9:30am – 10:00am

OR

Tuesday 20 October 1:05pm – 1:35pm



Please book your place via Mrs Bacon on admin@crayke.n-yorks.sch.uk

We respectfully ask that, due to space constraints, just one representative from each family attends. Also please note there is to be strictly no use of mobile phones in school.

Parent Consultation Evenings

Parent consultations will take place on **Tuesday 20 and Thursday 22 October** for children in Beech, Holly and Oak Class. Apple Class parent consultations will take place on **Tuesday 20 October** only. You should have received a link on Monday to allow you to book your appointment. If you need it resending, please contact Mrs Bacon. Deadline to book appointments is 10am on 19 October.

If your child/ren attend Jigsaws, alternative arrangements have been made at the Sports Hall for both evenings. If you need further information, please speak to Mrs Charters or email jigsaws@crayke.n-yorks.sch.uk

****Parents' Evening Book Swap****

Parents' Evenings are being held on Tuesday 20th and Thursday 22nd October and we are excited to announce that we would like to arrange a 'Book Swap' for parents, carers and also staff! It's really great for the children to see the adults around them reading and talking about books they enjoy too! I love to be absorbed in a book, feeling like I can't put it down!

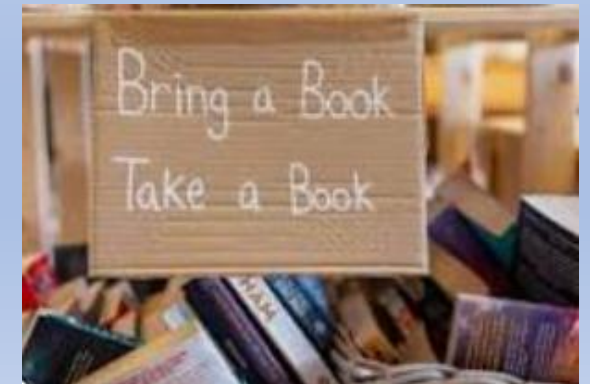
Please drop any adult books in advance in the 'drop box' so that we can arrange them in the school hall to be taken by you on the evenings. Or you can bring any books along with you and swap them on the night! We also have an area in the staffroom that we will be looking to add to from your recommendations!

Let's get reading!

Mrs Dobson



**Unchanged from
last week**



****Beech Class Phonics Drop in Lessons****

We would like to invite Year 1 parents and any parents of Year 2 children who are retaking the phonics screening check to come into Beech class to watch a phonics lesson in action! The dates we have available are listed below and the lessons take places between 9.05am until 9.30am. Please email Mrs Bacon to sign up for one of the sessions below. Places will be limited in each session so do get booked in early!

The dates are:

~~Thursday 8th October~~

Thursday 22nd October OR

Wednesday 4th November

**Unchanged from
last week**

We look forward to seeing you there! 😊

Mrs Dobson

Poppy Appeal 2026



Poppies for the annual Poppy Appeal will be available in school from 19 October for a small donation. As with previous years, alongside the poppies, the Royal British Legion have provided school with various items such as wristbands, snap bands and clip on bag reflectors that can also be purchased for a donation.

Children from Year 6 will supervise the sale of the items above, during morning breaks, from Monday 19 October to Thursday 22 October and again from Monday 2 November to Friday 6 November (the week after half-term).

Thank you for your support.



YEAR OF READING



Birthday Books

As part of our Year of Reading, children are welcome to celebrate their birthday by donating a book to their class.

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.

We'll enjoy reading it together and add a sticker inside to say who gifted it.

Picture books are ideal for Reception–Y2 and short chapter books for KS2 are perfect; if you'd like suggestions, ask your child's teacher.

We're no longer able to accept birthday sweets, so any brought in from now on will be returned home.



OTHER NEWS



Online Safety

As part of our computing curriculum, children in Key Stage 1 and 2 now take part in fortnightly assemblies about online safety. The focus this half term is self-image and identity.

This theme helps children explore how their sense of who they are can be shaped by both the offline and online world.

They learn that people often present themselves differently online, for example by sharing only highlights or using filters, and how media can promote stereotypes about how boys and girls “should” look or behave.

Children are encouraged to think critically about what they see, recognise when content is unrealistic or unhelpful, and develop strategies for maintaining a positive self-image. They also learn the importance of kindness and respect online, and where to get help if they feel pressured or upset.

Online Safety at Home

- Talk about what they see online – Remind them that not everything is real or the full story.
- Challenge stereotypes – Discuss adverts, films, or posts that suggest boys or girls “should” look or act a certain way.
- Encourage positive self-expression – Praise effort, kindness, and interests, not just appearance.
- Be a role model – Show healthy online habits and speak positively about yourself and others.
- Know where to go for help – Reassure your child they can talk to you, their teacher, or use trusted services like Childline

Awards in School This Week



	Apple	Beech	Holly	Oak
Stars of the Week	Zola	Harvey	Evelyn	Jaiden
		Phoebe	Cameron	Amber
Gold Awards for Sport	Wilfred	Hugo	Jacob	Sophy
Cloakroom Ninja Award	Oak			
School Council Kindness Award	Mabel D			

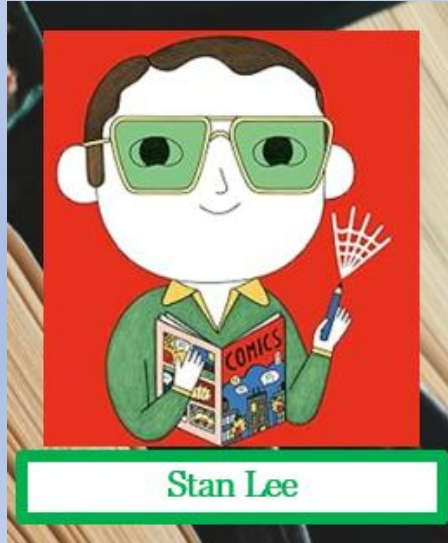
Team Points

Team	Points
Maya Angelou	210
Jane Austen	316
Stan Lee	311
Charles Dickens	274

Want to know more
about our House Teams?

See:

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



PE Kits w/c 19 October 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Apple			Bring Forest School Kit		INSET DAY
Beech				X	
Holly		X			
Oak		SWIMMING			

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 5 October 2026): **94.6%**

School Target: **96%**

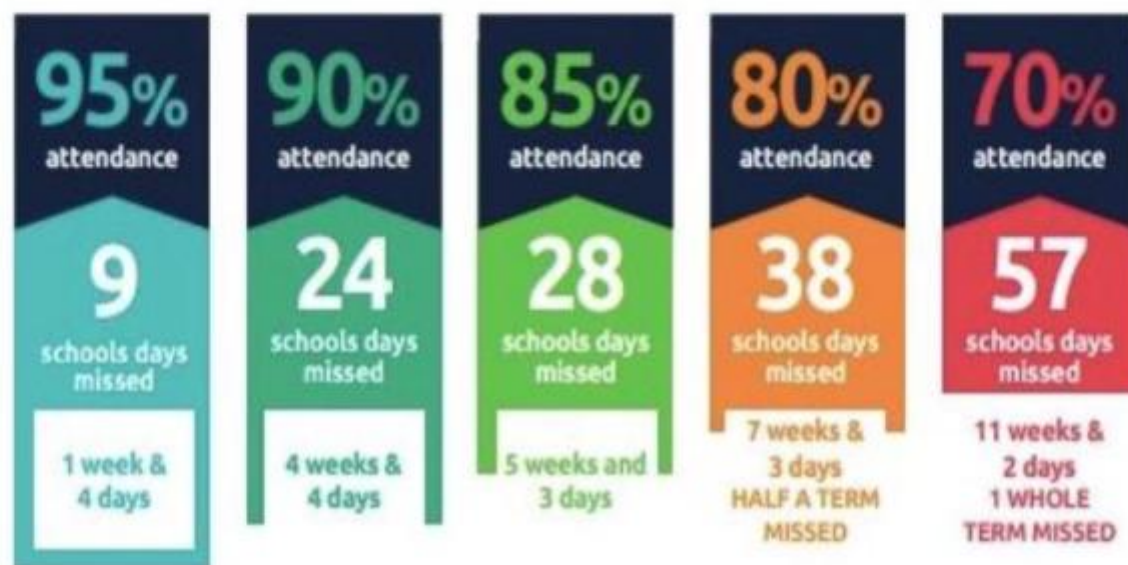
	Attendance	Punctuality
Apple	89.4%	No Lates
Beech	93.2%	No Lates
Holly	96.6%	1 Late
Oak	96.8%	No Lates

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



Every day in school counts...



and every minute counts...



Is my child too ill for school?

Does your child have a high temperature (38°C or more)?

YES

Keep them off school until it goes away.

NO

Follow the guidance below.

Your child can usually go to school with a mild cough or cold if they are otherwise well. If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school or nursery on the first day and give them the reason.

Should go in	Should go in (let the school know)	Seek treatment before returning to school	Keep them off (at first)
A cough, cold or sore throat Fine with slight cough or common cold symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat or headache, as long as they're otherwise well and do not have a high temperature. Threadworms Speak to your pharmacist, who can recommend a treatment.	Cold sores Encourage them not to touch the blister or kiss anyone while they have the cold sore, or to share things like cups and towels. Conjunctivitis Fine unless they are feeling very unwell. Seek advice from your pharmacist. Encourage your child not to rub their eyes and to wash their hands regularly. Head lice & nits You can treat head lice and nits without seeing a GP. Hand, foot & mouth disease If they seem well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues straight away and to wash their hands regularly. Slapped cheek syndrome Once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious. Let the school or teacher know if you think your child has slapped cheek syndrome.	Impetigo They'll need treatment from a pharmacist or GP, often with antibiotics. Keep them off school until all the sores have crusted over and healed, or for 48 hours after they start antibiotic treatment. Encourage your child to wash their hands regularly and not to share things like towels and cups with other children at school. Ringworm See your pharmacist unless it's on their scalp, in which case you should see a GP. It's fine for your child to go to school once they have started treatment. Scarlet fever They'll need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise they'll be infectious for 2 to 3 weeks. Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics. Chickenpox Keep them off school until all the spots have crusted over. This is usually about 5 days after the spots first appeared.	Ear infection If your child has an ear infection and a high temperature or severe earache, keep them off school until they're feeling better or their high temperature goes away. Measles They'll need to see a GP. Call the GP surgery before you go in, as measles can spread to others easily. Keep your child off school for at least 4 days from when the rash first appears. They should also avoid close contact with babies and anyone who is pregnant or has a weakened immune system. Vomiting & diarrhoea Stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea due to illness for at least 2 days (48 hours).

Feeling worried or anxious: It's normal for any of us to feel worried sometimes. We may get a tummy ache or headache, or have problems eating or sleeping. Avoiding school can sometimes make a child's worries about going to school worse. If your child is struggling, please speak to school as soon as possible to explore available help. If your child is still struggling and it's affecting their everyday life, you should contact GP or school nurse.

To find out more, search www.NHS.uk for the specific illness or infection, or 'Is my child too ill for school?'

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