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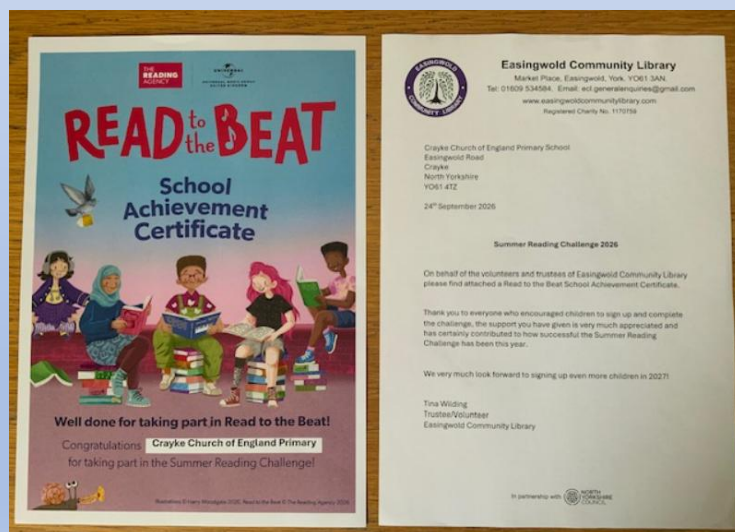
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Crayke Chronicle



NEWS FROM SCHOOL



🌟 Crayke Staff Shone for Cancer Research UK 🌟

We had a wonderful time on Saturday night, as we walked the streets of York in aid of Cancer Research UK. We have raised an amazing **£6,350!!** Thank you to everyone that donated to this very worthy cause.



School Council 2026/2027

I am delighted to announce the following members of our School Council for the forthcoming academic year:

Oak representatives: Jaiden and Isaac; Riley-Mae and Keenan

Holly representatives: Ava and Dianta; Zephie and Constance

Beech representatives: Hugo and Martha; Sylvie and Tristan

Year 6 representative for **Apple**: Elijah

Meetings will be Thursday afternoon break in Oak Class.

Congratulations everyone!

Miss Walker

I look forward to hearing about the plans and ideas from School Council for the year ahead.

Well done and thank you to everyone who put themselves forward for the role!

Mrs Jackson

Allergy Awareness

This week, children took part in a live assembly to learn more about allergy awareness.

Staff were very impressed with the children's knowledge, questions and understanding.

Here's some information to follow up at home!



Read through the information below about the new changes for schools. Share your thoughts. Do you think it's important that everyone learns more about allergies in school?

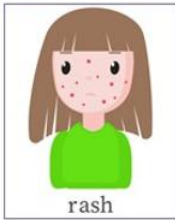
Allergies

What is an allergy?

An allergy is a medical condition. It happens when someone's body reacts to something that is usually harmless to most people. The thing that causes the reaction is called an allergen.

People can be allergic to foods, medicines, insect stings, pollen, animals and other substances.

Some of the symptoms or reactions people might have when they have an allergy.

 itching	 cough	 sneezing
 runny nose	 rash	 redness

Source: SiberianArt

What is Benedict's Law?

Benedict's Law is named after a young boy called Benedict, who had serious allergies. His family worked very hard to help the government understand why every school needs clear allergy-safety rules.

The changes mean schools in England must plan carefully, train adults, keep emergency medicine available, and make sure children with allergies are safe and included.

PE Update

This week, we welcomed Liv from Bloom Elite Cheerleading and Gymnastics.

They are based at Sheriff Hutton until the end of 2027. They will then move to The Padel Farm. Sessions will run on a Thursday evening after the October half term. Liv showed us a very impressive handstand (requested by the children) and some amazing displays that her teams have performed.

It's great to hear that some children have already started Padel sessions!

Mrs Helfferich



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NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED - EVERYONE IS WELCOME
Spaces are limited!

UPCOMING EVENTS



Reminders for next week (from Diary Dates)

Day	Date	Event	Who	Where
Tuesday	6 October	Swimming	Oak Class	Thirsk Leisure Centre
Wednesday	7 October 1:30pm	Harvest Festival	All welcome	St Cuthbert's Church
Thursday	8 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	8 October	Educational visit	Oak Class	Eden Camp

Harvest Service



You are warmly welcomed to join us for the first whole school gathering at church this year, for our Harvest Service event.

This will be held on **Wednesday 7 October** at 1:30pm at St Cuthbert's Church. The service will include readings, poems and prayers from children of all ages as well as a range of songs both traditional and contemporary!

Parents, carers and friends of the school are welcome to meet us at the church.

Please note that, due to safeguarding, the normal end of the day procedures will still apply and, as usual, it will not be possible for your child/ren to leave with you at the end of the service. Thank you for your understanding.

****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

We look forward to seeing you there! ☺

Mrs Dobson

**Unchanged from
last week**

2026 Shoebox Appeal



We are once taking part in Children in Distress' Shoebox Appeal after a successful first year in 2025. This is a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together and share kindness with children who may not otherwise receive a gift at Christmas.

Your child will come home with a leaflet explaining what can go in the box and these can be brought in with your child and dropped off at the office. The final deadline for this is **Friday 6th November**.

Thank you, as always, for your kindness and generosity to support such a wonderful charity.

**Unchanged from
last week**

Miss Williams



YEAR OF READING



Magazine Subscriptions

Unchanged from
last week

 **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!  

Reading Recommendations

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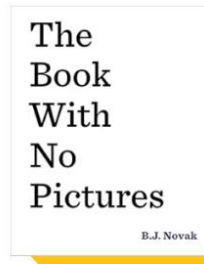
National Year of
Reading 2026

The 6 tips:

1. Continue reading with your child, even once they can read themselves.
2. Read together at bedtimes.
3. Ask your child about characters in the book.
4. Read to a family member (or pet!) for 10 minutes a day.
5. Your local library is stuffed full of books and the librarian can help you find the ones that are just right for you.
6. Check out the *Words for Life* website for more tips and support.

READS FOR 5-11 YEAR OLDS

Big laughs for young readers



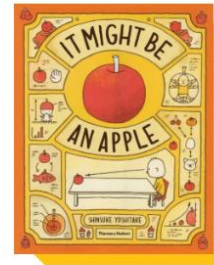
BOOK

The Book with no Pictures

AGES 3-7

A book claims to have no pictures, but forces the reader to say increasingly ridiculous words aloud. Children delight in making adults sound silly!

[READ MORE](#)



PICTURE BOOK

It Might Be An Apple

AGES 5-7

When a child sees an apple on a table, they begin imagining all the surprising things it might be — hollow, exploding, full of tiny apples or something else entirely.

[READ MORE](#)



BOOK

The Bear and Bird

AGES 5-7

Bear and Bird are friends, but Bear's overenthusiasm starts to cause problems. When Bird needs space, both must learn about boundaries and compromise.

[READ MORE](#)



PICTURE BOOK

The Café at the Edge of the Woods

AGES 5-7

Rene Raccoon opens a fancy café in the forest, but struggles to please his unusual customers, in this warm, witty picture book.

[READ MORE](#)



GRAPHIC NOVEL

Detective Beans

AGES 5-9

Detective Beans, a clever cat, investigates a curious mystery using careful observation and sharp thinking. Readers are encouraged to join the investigation!

[READ MORE](#)

<https://goallin.org.uk/comedy/>

Easingwold Library



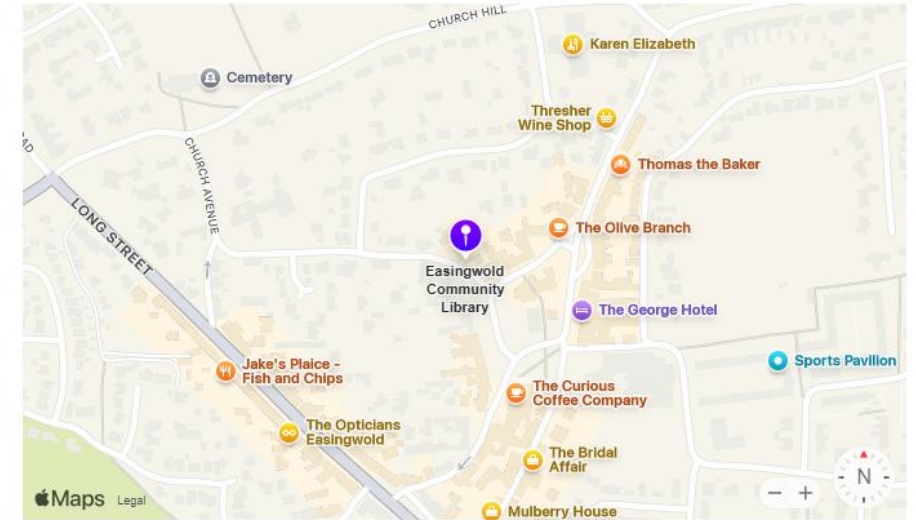
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Opening Hours:

Monday	10.00 - 12.30	14.00 - 17.00
Tuesday	14.00 - 17.00	
Thursday	10.00 - 15.30	
Friday	09.30 - 17.00	
Saturday	10.00 - 12.30	

WHERE WE ARE

The library is close to the Market Place in Easingwold town centre, just behind The Commercial. Look for our large sign under the willow tree.



Unchanged from
last week

<https://easingwoldcommunitylibrary.com>

OTHER NEWS



Awards in School This Week



	Apple	Beech	Holly	Oak
Stars of the Week	Joshua	George T	Milo	Arabella
		Sofia	Constance	Martha
Gold Awards for Sport	Milo	Rosie Wd	Mabel	Arthur
Headteacher Awards - Reading focus	Amelia		Isabelle	
Cloakroom Ninja Award	Oak			
School Council Kindness Award	Grant			

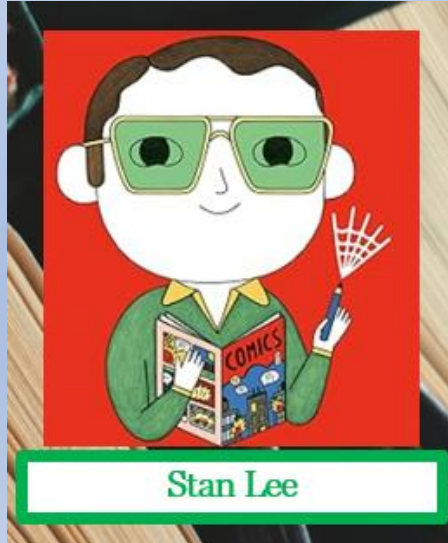
Team Points

Team	Points
Maya Angelou	145
Jane Austen	159
Stan Lee	136
Charles Dickens	166

Want to know more
about our House Teams?

See:

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



PE Kits w/c 5 October 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Apple			Bring Forest School Kit HARVEST FESTIVAL		Bring PE Kit
Beech				X	X
Holly		X			X
Oak		SWIMMING			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 21 September 2026): **96%**

School Target: **96%**

	Attendance	Punctuality
Apple	91.8%	0 lates
Beech	95.7%	0 lates
Holly	96.6%	0 lates
Oak	98.1%	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



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?'