

CRICK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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A note from Mrs Staniforth

With just over two weeks to go until the end of term, we are racing towards the summer holidays! Although the end of the year is fast approaching, we still have so many exciting events to look forward to. This week began with our Water Safety Assembly, where pupils learned how to stay safe in and around water ahead of the summer break. On Wednesday, our Reception Class performed their wonderful class assembly. They made us incredibly proud, and it is hard to believe how quickly this year has flown by. Today, our Year 4 pupils showcased everything they have learned over the past 10 weeks in their violin concert. Their hard work and dedication were evident, and they gave a fantastic performance. Next week is set to be another busy one, with Transition Day on Monday, Sports Day, the School Council Afternoon Tea with Governors and our Certificate of Achievement Assembly all taking place. Please keep an eye on the dates section of this newsletter, as there is so much happening over the next two weeks. Where possible, we will send reminders before each event, as we know this is a particularly busy time of year. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

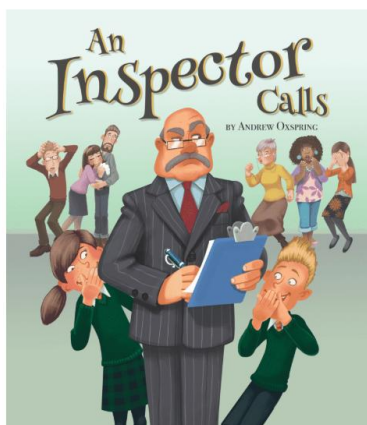
Our Values and Rights focus this week:

RULE OF LAW



Year 5 and 6 Production

As you are aware, the Year 5 and 6 production of 'An Inspector Calls' is fast approaching. We have 2 performances: one at **2pm** and one at **6pm on Tuesday 14th July**. Information about how to attend the performance will be sent shortly.



Newsletter No 31

Friday 3rd July 2026

Whole school attendance

95.2%

Government expected attendance **97%**

Year group attendance winners



Year 6 with 96.4%



Key diary dates

***New dates added/changed dates**

July

- 6th July – Whole school transition day
- 7th July – Headteacher Pupil Voice Lunch
- 7th July – Dance for Rights KS2 dance event
- **9th July – Sports day 9.30am**
- 10th July - Certificate of Achievement assembly
- **13th July – School Fair 3.30pm**
- 13th -17th July - School Council ice cream sale
- 13th July – Year 5 & 6 production dress rehearsal
- 14th July – Year 5 & 6 production 2pm and 6pm
- 15th July - Rocksteady concert
- 16th and 17th July - SALs 'Shoe Mufti' (school uniform to be worn)
- 17th July – Year 6 leavers service 9:30am
- 17th July – FoCs Friday Treat Time

Term dates

ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-27

ACADEMIC YEAR 2027-2028

JOIN US FOR OUR

SCHOOL FAIR!

★ ORGANISED BY OWLS, RABBITS, HEDGEHOGS AND SQUIRRELS ★

MONDAY
13
JULY



3:45PM - 4:30PM



AT OUR SCHOOL

FUN
AND GAMES



REFRESHMENTS



TOMBOLA



RAFFLE



COME ALONG AND
SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!

TOGETHER, LET'S MAKE IT A GREAT DAY!

Year 4 Strings Concert

Well done to our Year 4 class, who have spent the last 10 weeks learning how to play the violin or cello. They performed brilliantly today, showcasing all of their hard work and progress. A huge thank you to Mrs Cliffe, from NMPAT, for teaching and supporting the children throughout the programme, and for helping them prepare for today's wonderful performance. We hope everyone who attended enjoyed the performance as much as we did!



Online Safety Newsletter

Keeping children safe online is a shared responsibility between school and home. Each month, we publish an Online Safety Newsletter packed with practical advice, guidance and the latest information to help families support their children in using technology safely and responsibly. We encourage all parents and carers to take a few minutes to read the latest edition. The newsletters cover a range of important topics, including social media, gaming, privacy settings, online scams and age-appropriate apps, helping you to keep up to date with the ever-changing digital world. You can find our latest Online Safety Newsletters and a range of useful resources on our website here: [Crick Primary School Online Safety Page](#). Thank you for working with us to help keep all of our pupils safe online.



JULY 2026

Come and See Your New Class.

COME AND SEE YOUR NEW CLASS!

If your child has SEND, is feeling anxious about starting in September, or they just want to have a little look, classrooms will be open from 2pm – 3pm on Wednesday 2nd September 2026.

The class teacher will be there to have a quick chat and your child can have a look at their new classroom.



Wednesday
2nd
September
2026
2pm–3pm

Quadkids School Games County Finals

Our Year 5/6 athletics squad performed brilliantly representing South Northants & Daventry at the Summer Games county championships this week. Everyone showed all of our school values, particularly ambition and resilience, finishing 6th out of 19 schools - many of which are 2-form entry schools. There were some outstanding personal results and both our distance running and sprinting was excellent. Thank you to Mrs Lane and Mrs Hardbattle for taking the pupils on Thursday. Well done to the whole squad; we are very proud of each and every one of you!



Water Safety Assembly

In Monday's Headteacher Assembly, we focused on water safety and learned about the Float survival method. We also discussed the dangers of cold-water shock and the impact that unexpectedly entering cold water can have on the body, making it difficult to breathe or swim. As we approach the summer holidays, it is important for everyone to understand how to stay safe around water and what to do if they find themselves in difficulty. For more information about water safety, please see the link below.

[Waterside Safety Challenge | Canal & River Trust](#)

Waterside Safety Menu

Spot the Hazard

Can you spot 10 different hazards in this picture?
Answer a question for each hazard to find out how much you know about water safety.



Taekwondo Taster Sessions

Last week, our pupils had great fun taking part in Taekwondo sessions. They thoroughly enjoyed learning some new skills, developing their coordination and confidence, and experiencing this exciting martial art.

A huge thank you to Adrian Perks for leading the sessions and showing our pupils just how much fun Taekwondo can be!



Reception Class Assembly

A huge well done to our Reception class for their first class assembly! The children were fantastic, confidently sharing their learning and putting on a wonderful performance for their families and the rest of the school. It is hard to believe how quickly the year has flown by. They have all grown in confidence, independence and enthusiasm, and we are incredibly proud of everything they have achieved. Well done, Reception class!



Meet The Teacher

MEET THE TEACHER



On Monday 6th July, from 3.40pm-4.00pm your child's new teacher, for September, will be available to say hello to you in the new classroom. Why not come and say hello.

Rocksteady performance - save the date!

ROCK STEADY CONCERT



15TH JULY

OPAL Stay and Play Session

Thank you to all the parents, carers and family members who joined us for our OPAL Stay and Play session. It was wonderful to see so many of you enjoying play alongside the children and experiencing the exciting opportunities that OPAL provides every day. A special thank you to Rachel, our OPAL mentor, for helping to lead the sessions and supporting our school on our OPAL journey. We hope you enjoyed seeing what our pupils get up to every lunchtime. If you would like to support our OPAL programme by donating resources, please visit our OPAL page to see our current donation requests. [Opal Lunchtimes | Crick Primary School](#)



School Council Ice Cream Sale

Next week, the School Council will be fundraising for a slide for the field. Monday to Thursday at 3.30pm we will be selling ice-creams on the playground. All money raised will go to the school. Don't forget your

£1 coins!



Where:
Playground

Time:
3.30 –
3.50pm

Day:
13th July-
16th July

Cost:
£1
(Cash only)

Sports Day Arrangements

With the weather heating up again next week, and temperatures forecast to reach 32°C on Sports Day, we have made the difficult decision to move the event to the morning of **Thursday 9th July**. The event will now begin at **9:30am**.

We appreciate that many parents and carers may already have booked time off work based on the original arrangements, and we sincerely apologise for any inconvenience or disruption this change may cause. The decision has not been taken lightly, but the safety and wellbeing of our children, families and staff must come first in the expected extreme heat.

Parents, carers, grandparents, and other family members are welcome to join us on the school field. Please enter through the field gate, which will be open from **9:20am**. Feel free to bring your own chairs, and don't forget to bring some money, as FoCS will be selling refreshments.

All pupils should come to school wearing their school PE kit, including a T-shirt in their House colour:

- **Hedgehogs – Red**
- **Squirrels – Blue**
- **Rabbits – Yellow**
- **Owls – Green**

If you do not know your child's House, please contact their class teacher. If you do not have a T-shirt in your child's House colour, they should wear their normal PE kit.

We are looking forward to another fantastic Sports Day!

Please note that parents and carers are welcome to take photos and videos during the event. However, we kindly ask that you do **not** share these on social media, as we do not have photo permission for every child. Thank you for your understanding and continued support.



Year 6 Leavers Assembly

This year, we are pleased to announce that the **Year 6 leaver's service** will be taking place at St Margaret's Church on **Friday 17th July at 9:30am**. Please feel free to come and join us to say goodbye and good luck to our wonderful Year 6 class.



Certificate of Achievement Assembly

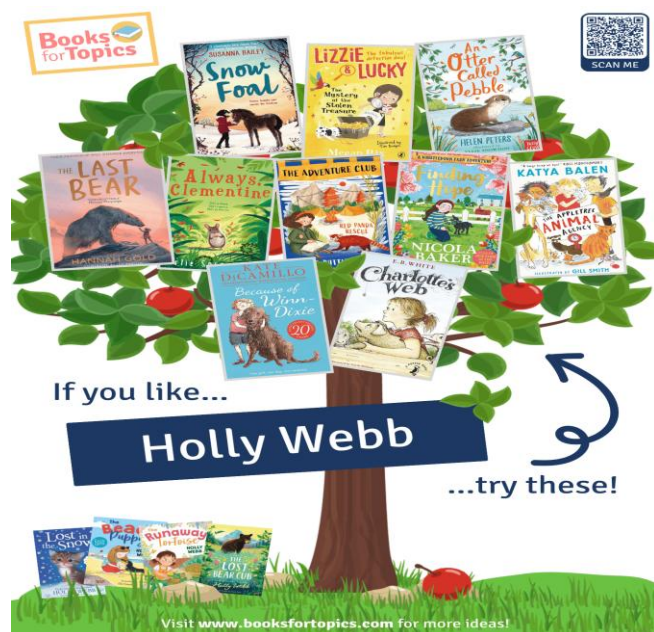
We are really looking forward to celebrating everything our pupils have been achieving outside of school. **On Friday 10th July**, we will be holding our Certificate of Achievement assembly. If your child has achieved something special, like a belt in a martial art, a music award, a swimming certificate, Rainbows, Beavers or Brownies Badges, we would love to share these during our special assembly. Don't forget to bring the certificate, medal or trophy in **by Thursday 9th July**. Photos and videos can also be emailed to Mrs Staniforth at head@crick.northants.sch.uk to share during this special assembly. Please note videos and photos should be emailed by 9am on Thursday 9th July. All pupils who share a certificate will also feature in that week's newsletter. We can't wait to see what you have all achieved!



2026 – The National Year of Reading. Did you know...

Did you know... Reading for pleasure can support your child's learning

The National Literacy Trust's recent research also revealed that twice as many children and young people who enjoy reading in their free time have above average reading skills than children who don't enjoy it (34.2% vs 15.7%) - reading skills which will support them in their school journeys and beyond.



Absence and holiday requests during term time

If your child needs to be away from school for any reason, we ask parents/carers to complete a request for [absence form](#) to advise us in advance of the absence.

Leave of Absence Request Form

We would like to remind parents and carers that the school does not authorise term time holidays, or days out of school. Holidays taken in term time will not be authorised. If you take your child out of school for an accumulative total of 5 days or more (10 sessions) (90%) over a period of ten weeks, the school will deem this as irregular attendance and will consider a referral to the Local authority for consideration of legal action. This could include:

- A Penalty Notice payable up to £160 fine without further reference to you for a penalty notice this warning is valid for 12 months.
- Prosecution under s444 (1) Education Act 1996, where if convicted you may be fined up to £1,000.
- Prosecution under s444 (1) (a) Education Act 1996 where if convicted you may be fined up to £2,500 and/or 3 months' imprisonment

The school or local authority can fine parents/carers for the unauthorised absence of their child from school, where the child is of compulsory school age. An initial fixed penalty notice of £160 is issued to each parent/carer for each child. So a two parent/carer family with two children would be fined £320. For more information see ['Penalty notices for non-school attendance'](#).

Numbots and Times Tables Rock Stars

Congratulations to this week's Numbots and Times Tables Rock Stars winners! It is wonderful to see so many children developing their maths fluency through regular practice. Remember, we select a different winning category each week, so everyone has an opportunity to succeed. Keep playing and you could be our next winner!



Caught Doing the Right Thing

Congratulations to the following pupils who won a prize in our lunchtime behaviour award competition, 'Caught Doing the Right Thing', this week. These pupils were recognised for demonstrating our school values and making positive choices during lunchtime. Remember, every entry remains in the draw for the entire school year, giving pupils even more opportunities to win. Winners are selected at random from all the entries collected, so every ticket earned counts. Keep showing excellent behaviour, being kind to others, and doing the right thing — you could be our next winner!



Values children

Well done to the following children, who demonstrated our school values this week:



Star of the Week

Well done to the following children, who were awarded Star of the week, this week!



Reception	Theo - for trying really hard on his reading. Charlotte - for using question marks in independent writing.
Year One	Amelia – for working hard in maths and learning to count in 2, 5 and 10's. Cody - For working really hard in his maths.
Year Two	Harry - for great work in statistics. Divine – for beautiful handwriting.
Year Three	Joshua - for demonstrating all the school values and showing great enthusiasm on the school trip.
Year Four	Finley – For always demonstrating ambition in maths. Elle – for working really hard in maths. Max – for being a great role model on the school trip and showing curiosity. Arlo - For showing great curiosity on the school trip
Year Five	Amelia – working really hard in English and Maths. Joseph, Jessica, and others
Year Six	Jacob - for showing amazing curiosity in science. Kiara – for showing kindness and respect.

House Points weekly winners



4th

2nd

3rd

1st

House Points running total



4499

4186

4025

5062

Safeguarding at Crick



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Need to report a safeguarding or wellbeing concern?

If you see, hear, or have a bad feeling about a situation, child or family it is important to tell us about it. You can report your concern to the school via the My Concern Community Reporting Tool. Simply scan the QR code below, or click on the following link and fill in the online form. Please provide as much detail as possible to enable us to manage the concern within our safeguarding procedures.

Your safeguarding Leads at Crick Primary are:



SCAN ME



<https://form.thesafeguardingcompany.com/9b74e0e8-a28f-48c6-8944-c3c4b063480e>

Visit our website and Instagram page

We are always updating the school website to ensure we provide parents/carers with useful and up to date information. Click on the links to find more about:

[Newsletters](#)

[Letters sent home](#)

[House Captains and House Points](#)

[Class webpages](#)

[School Council](#)

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