

# CRICK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## A note from Mrs Staniforth

It has been another busy week, where we have taken part in lots of different learning opportunities, including: Year 6 SATs and May Day dancing; it really has been delightful to hear the music once again and watch the pupils enjoying the dancing. The teachers even took part in a special dance for our children! Our Year 6 pupils have been working incredibly hard to complete their end of KS2 SATs tests. We are really proud of the resilience you have all shown. Our Reception Class went on their very first class trip to West Lodge Farm Park and represented the school very well. We would like to thank parents, carers and family members who will be joining us on May Day and hope you enjoy the wonderful dancing. **Also, please be reminded that school is closed to pupils on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May for a teacher training day.**

## Our Values and Rights focus this week:

### DEMOCRACY



## No Dogs on the School Site

For the safety, comfort, and wellbeing of all children and families, dogs are not permitted on site at any time. This includes dogs being carried in arms or held while on the premises. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in helping us maintain a safe environment for everyone.



## Photograph Order

It's time to find a spot on the mantelpiece, or a space on the wall, as we are delighted to let you know that our recent class photographs are now ready to view and purchase. If you need assistance or have any questions regarding placing an order, please call 01736 751555 (option 3) or click on the 'contact' button on our website home page ([htempest.co.uk](http://htempest.co.uk))



## Newsletter No 26

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026

## Whole School Attendance

**95.7%**

Government expected attendance **97%**

## Year Group Attendance Winners



Year 6 with 100%



## Key Diary Dates

**\*New dates added/changed dates**

### May

- 20<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 residential parents meeting
- 21<sup>st</sup> May – Headteacher Pupil Voice lunch
- 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Training Day school closed to pupils

### June

- WB 1st June – Year 4 Multiplication Times table check (MTC)
- 5th June – School Council mufti event
- WB 8th June – Year 1 Phonics Screening Check (PSC)
- 10th June – SEND Coffee afternoon 2.30pm-3.30pm
- 10th- 12th June – Year 6 Residential
- 17th June – KS2 Quadkids Athletics 9-3pm
- 19th June – Year 3 Class Assembly 3pm
- 26<sup>th</sup> June – Headteacher Pupil Voice lunch

### July

- 1<sup>st</sup> July - Reception Class Assembly 3pm
- 3<sup>rd</sup> July – School reports to parents
- 6<sup>th</sup> July – Whole school transition day (subject to change)
- 9<sup>th</sup> July – Sports day 1.30pm

## Term Dates

**ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-27**

**ACADEMIC YEAR 2027-2028**

[Term Dates](#) | [Crick Primary School](#)

## Certificate of Achievement Assembly

We are really looking forward to celebrating everything our pupils have been achieving outside of school. **On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May**, we will be holding our 'Certificate of Achievement' assembly. If your child has achieved something special, like a belt in a martial art, music awards, swimming certificate, Rainbows, Beavers or Brownies Badges, we would love to share this during our special assembly. Don't forget to bring the certificate, medal or trophy in by **9am on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May**. Photos and videos can also be emailed to me at [head@crick.northants.sch.uk](mailto:head@crick.northants.sch.uk) to share during this special assembly. All videos need to be emailed by **9am on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May**. 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.



## Reception Class Trip To West Lodge Farm Park

Reception class had a great time at West Lodge Farm Park on Thursday, seeing lots of farm animals. The children represented the school brilliantly and showed our school values throughout the visit. Thank you to the teaching staff for taking them and making the trip such a wonderful experience.



## Did you know 2026 is the National Year of Reading?

Watch this space for reading tips and book recommendations. **Reading for pleasure can help grow empathy** Enjoying books and discovering new perspectives within the pages of a story can be a great way to introduce children to a range of experiences and viewpoints. The more a child reads, the more likely they are to be exposed to new narratives which can help them develop empathy.



## Instagram

Parents & Carers Sign up to our  
**Instagram**



To see  
what's  
happening  
at school!

## Year 6 SATs Breakfast

A huge thank you to Mrs Morris and the TA team in Year 6 for hosting a wonderful SATs breakfast, each morning this week, for our Year 6 pupils. I know they had a relaxing time before they complete their tests and what a great pizza party on Thursday.



## Well Done Year 6! Pizza Party SATs lunch pictures

Over the past few weeks (okay possibly months), you have put in lots of effort and preparation for your SATs. You have made us all so proud and we are stunned at how you have just taken it all in your stride. This week, the focus has been on English and maths, but remember you all have lots of other skills. Not every skill is taught in school and even fewer are tested. SATs are never going to show off all the wonderful talents you have as a class; especially your ability to talk and make Mrs Morris talk at length! Although subjects like English and maths are important, never forget (as Take That would say) every single one of you are special and unique and are blessed with many different talents. Just see the SATs tests as something you did and completed, but remember they are **not** the most important thing in the world. When the results come out in July, they will tell you something, but what they will not tell you is just how proud we are of you all and how much effort you have put in this year. During your time at Crick, you have all shown us how truly remarkable and resilient you really are. You make our job fun, interesting and exciting. Please don't think that you have to reach a certain level to make your family, friends, teachers proud: all we want is for you to try your best - that is enough for us. We are proud of you already! As Gary Barlow would say just 'Shine and Fly High'.



## Lockdown Drill

Last Friday, we practiced our Lockdown drill. I was so impressed with how quickly the children hid and the staff prepared the classrooms - even the office staff got involved in hiding away. We are all very proud of the pupils - well done!



## 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](#)'.



## CRICK WRAP JOB OPPORTUNITY – Cover Staff for Breakfast & After School Club

Crick Pre-School is an established childcare provider for 2 to 4 year olds with an excellent reputation in the area. It is situated within the Primary School and has a dedicated team of staff and parent committee. We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Our aim is to provide a safe and stimulating environment for the children to learn and develop in.

Due to the success of our wrap-around provision we are expanding and looking for flexible, committed people to work in our setting to cover Breakfast and After School Club, for Pre-School and Primary School aged children. **Starting date: 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2026.**

If you are looking to brush up on your snooker skills, are a master Lego builder, like a bit of cutting and sticking or you think you can handle refereeing a Breakfast Club football match, then this could be the job for you.

We are keen to hear from anyone interested in working with young children in our busy, friendly setting based in Crick Primary School. We are looking for flexible staff to ideally do regular shifts in our Breakfast Club (7.45am-9am) and After School Club (3-6pm) that run term-time weekdays, and for the right candidate, shifts may be available to cover in Pre-School too.

Your duties would include but are not limited to; supervising the children and participating in general Crick-Wrap duties e.g. setting up, preparing simple breakfasts and after school snacks, and some cleaning duties.

You do not need to have a childcare qualification, but you will preferably have experience of working with children. If you hold an up-to-date First Aid qualification and/or Food Hygiene certificate that would be advantageous. However, training and support will be provided for this role. It is essential that the candidates can maintain confidentiality and respect children's individual needs.

If you are interested, we would love to hear from you: Please email [crickpreschool@gmail.com](mailto:crickpreschool@gmail.com) or call 07964 108009 for an application form or further details. **CLOSING DATE: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026.** Only completed application forms will be included for short listing. This post is subject to satisfactory enhanced DBS checks.

Crick Pre-School is committed to equal opportunities, safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act (1974). Applicants will be required to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and must be prepared to disclose any convictions they may have and any orders which have been made against them.



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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:



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

## Parental Questionnaire

Each year, we invite parents and carers to share their views about the school with us. We value your thoughts and opinions, as they help to inform our school improvement planning. Please find below, the link to this year's questionnaire. We would appreciate it if you could take a few minutes to complete it. The questionnaire will close at 5:00pm on Tuesday 30th June.

[Parent/Carer questionnaire May 2026 – Fill in form](#). Many thanks in advance.



## Numbots and Times Tables Rock Stars

Congratulations to our Numbots and Times Tables Rock Stars winners, this week. Keep up the hard work! Each week we pick a different category to win so keep playing to win.



## 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.



## Values Children

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



## Star of the Week

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



<b>Reception</b>	Eliot – for always showing such kindness towards his friends and looking out for them.
<b>Year One</b>	Hunter – for writing a fantastic story and working hard to improve his writing.
<b>Year Two</b>	Freddie - for amazing maths work on fractions.
<b>Year Three</b>	Albert - for his brilliant writing including prepositional phrases.
<b>Year Four</b>	Conor- for his ambition in writing and making great progress.
<b>Year Five</b>	Harriet - for fantastic typing and digital skills in Literacy. Niamh - for working super hard on reading and great fluency.
<b>Year Six</b>	The whole of Year 6 for their hard work in SATs.

## House Points Weekly Winners



2<sup>nd</sup>

3<sup>rd</sup>

4<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup>

## House Points Running Total



3901

3546

3423

4364

## 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.

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## Values and Rights Respecting School

