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OUR CHRISTIAN VALUES

THANKFULNESS
We give thanks to God and take care of things we are given.

GENEROSITY
We are kind and generous to others with our time, our gifts and our abilities.

FORGIVENESS
We know that forgiveness is always possible with God's love.

JUSTICE & PEACE
We treat others fairly and include everyone. Without justice there can be no peace.

PERSEVERANCE
We always try our best – even when it's hard!

SERVICE
We are willing to do things for God and others. We are willing to do things for God and others.

HELLO FROM MISS HILL!

Friday 23rd October 2026

Dear Parents,

As we reach the end of a busy half term, I would like to thank all of our children, staff and families for their hard work, support and commitment since the start of the academic year. We now look forward to a well-deserved break and hope that everyone enjoys some time to rest and recharge. When we return on Monday 2nd November, we will be heading straight into the excitement of the Christmas term! Thank you again for your continued support. Have a wonderful half term break!

Miss Hill 😊

Prayer & Reflection

Dear God,

As we come to the end of this half term, we thank you for all that we have learned, the friendships we have made and the opportunities we have enjoyed. As we take time to rest and spend time with our families, keep us safe and happy. May we return refreshed, ready to learn, grow and flourish together.

Amen. ❤️

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LUNCHES

Events happening at Crowton next week...

Monday 2nd November	Art Club with Miss Russon 8-8:40am
	Whole School Trip to Chester Zoo
Tuesday 3rd November	
Wednesday 4th November	PE with George (all classes)
	KS2 Forest School (afternoon)
	Forest School with James 3:15-4pm *Due to the trip on Monday
Thursday 5th November	Y5/Y6 - KS2 Escape to Safety – Fire Safety Education (in school)
Friday 6th November	

Attendance

This week's whole school attendance is 87.1%

Our whole school target for attendance is 97%

This week's whole school attendance was 87.1%, which is significantly below our school target of 97%.

EYFS and KS1	86.2%
Y3/Y4	88.1%
Y5/Y6	93.2%

Attendance Matters

Every Day Counts....

TAKE HOME

26th October - 1st November

In the news this week

Nine new emoji characters, including a pickle, a lighthouse and a monarch butterfly, have been approved by the Unicode Consortium. The new designs are expected to appear on phones and other devices throughout 2027, giving people more ways to communicate using pictures. The update includes 19 additions in total, once different skin-tone versions of the new hand gestures are counted.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Can you and someone at home tell a short story using only pictures?
- Do you both think the same emojis mean the same thing?
- If your family could create a new emoji, what would it show?
- Talk about some of the other ways we might communicate without words.



Progressive Cheshire and Liverpool ☀️

We are delighted to be partnering with Progressive Cheshire & Liverpool to deliver our after-school wraparound care provision from Autumn 2 onwards. This exciting new programme will provide children with a wide range of engaging activities through four dedicated zones: Active, Wellness, Discovery and Creative, ensuring there is something for every child to enjoy!

The provision will run Monday to Thursday, 3:15pm-5:30pm, offering structured sports activities, creative opportunities, wellbeing sessions, team-building activities and time for child-led play. Breakfast Club arrangements remain unchanged.

We are excited about the opportunities this partnership will bring and look forward to providing children with a high-quality, enriching and enjoyable experience at the end of the school day. Further booking information is available via School Spider.



Messy Church - Everyone Welcome! 🍰 🙏

Reverend Margaret warmly invites families to Messy Church at Kingsley St John's Primary School on Thursday 5th November, 3:45pm-5:45pm.

Come along and enjoy an afternoon of crafts, games, stories, worship, cakes and refreshments in a fun, friendly and relaxed environment. Messy Church is a wonderful opportunity for families to explore faith together, meet new people and enjoy creative activities!

I will be joining the session and it would be lovely to see some familiar faces from Crowton there! ❤️

This week at Crowton...



"With God, all things are possible."

Matthew 19:26

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

DEEPFAKES

A deepfake is a piece of artificial intelligence (AI) trickery designed to make you believe that a person has said or done something they haven't. AI models are able to use audio, video and photos of a subject to produce misleading mimics. Initially unsophisticated and easy to spot, deepfakes are improving every day. And with the spread of user-friendly AI, it's easier than ever for children to make their own, or be the unsuspecting target of them.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

A BULLYING RISK

AI has got easier to use and more widespread, making it a "gift" to bullies. Children can generate fake audio of peers saying damaging things, or pictures of them doing something embarrassing. More disturbingly, Metro recently highlighted cases where fake sexualised images of teens are spread through social media. Mainstream apps don't allow this usage, but with AI becoming widespread, easy-to-use sites without guardrails keep emerging for darker uses.

FAKED CELEBRITY ENDORSEMENTS

With the technology getting easier to use and public figures having lots of clips for training, celebrities are a frequent target. According to McAfee, the most deep faked celebrities are Taylor Swift, Scarlett Johansson, Jenna Ortega, Sydney Sweeney and Sabrina Carpenter, and their AI dopelgangers are usually pushing scams. Even YouTuber MrBeast has been deepfaked by scammers on TikTok. It can be used for propaganda too, making politicians appear to do or say things to improve or harm their reputation.

FAKE FAMILY SCAMS

With a few seconds of audio — from an Instagram reel or TikTok — scammers can clone a person's voice. They can then use this to scam relatives with phone calls asking for money or assistance. This is a widespread tactic for scammers, with the FBI reporting 22,000 such cases in 2025, defrauding victims out of $893 million that year alone.

EXTORTION RISK

You might not be the one being tricked by a deepfake — you could also be the star of it. Blackmail videos are as old as film itself, but with deepfake technology you don't have to have done anything wrong to be a target. A deepfake video showing a person in an uncompromising position could make the victim pay up, even when the content never happened.

Advice for Parents & Educators

KEEP PROFILES PRIVATE

To make a convincing deepfake, you need a supply of images, audio or video of the subject. That means that most non-celebrity victims are targeted via social media where there's a ready-made repository of media to train a deepfake from. Most social media companies have privacy settings to prevent unauthorised access. Enable these to keep strangers and bullies away.

KNOW WHAT TO LOOK FOR

While deepfakes are getting harder to spot, there are still telltale signs to look out for. Deepfake creation can leave blurry edges and flickering textures, especially around hair and teeth. It can also look too sleek, with models often trained on professional video. Make sure the mouth shapes match the spoken words, too. As for audio, listen out for mispronounced phrases and a slightly unusual, robotic rhythm of speech.

USE RESEARCH AND COMMON SENSE

Even perfect deep fakes rely on trust, so think critically. If it's someone you know claiming to need help, then ask them to prove they're who they say they are with an inside joke. For public figures, try Googling the person along with a bit of the contentious speech in quotation marks. Also question why you're seeing the video. If it's a paid promotion, then ask yourself who's paying and why. If someone is sharing the clip, do they dislike the target?

TALK TO YOUR CHILDREN

As well as emphasising the need for privacy and to not trust everything they see online, it's important to ensure children realise why deepfakes are problematic in the first place. With deepfake technology getting more accessible and easy to use, children can start using the technology to make deepfakes of schoolmates, teachers or other adults. Ensure they're aware of the serious trouble the technology can cause, and the ethical problems of manipulating someone's image without consent.

Meet Our Expert

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WEEK 1

Create-your-plate

Crowton Christ Church CE School

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
CHOOSE A HOT MEAL				
 Irish Beef Burger Served with Potato Wedges, Coleslaw or Baked Beans	 Tomato & Mascarpone Cheese Pasta (V) served with Wholemeal Crusty Bread & Seasonal Vegetables	 Roast Pork Served with BBQ Sauce or Gravy, Crispy Diced Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	 Sweet Hawaiian Chicken Noodles Served with Seasonal Vegetables	 MSC Fish Fingers or Wholemeal Margherita Pizza (V)
Or				
AN EVERYDAY FAVOURITE				
 Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings. Served with a Side Salad	 Deli Choice of Breads with a Selection of Fillings. Served with a Side Salad	 Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings. Served with a Side Salad	 Deli Choice of Breads with a Selection of Fillings. Served with a Side Salad	 Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings. Served with a Side Salad
CHOOSE A DESSERT				
 ABC Cake	 Fruit Jelly	 Chocolate Muffin	 Fresh Fruit Salad	 Iced Topped Sponge Cake
Or				
AN EVERYDAY FAVOURITE				
Save room for pudding. **Choose a delicious dessert of the day or treat yourself to fresh fruit or low-fat fruit yoghurt.**	 Selection of fresh fruit	 Low-fat fruit yoghurt selection		

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ONLY BRITISH MEAT SERVED

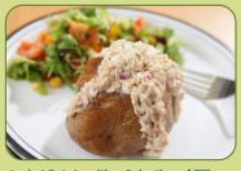
SALAD SERVED DAILY

ALLERGENS AND DIETS CATERED FOR

WEEK 2

Create-your-plate

Crowton Christ Church CE School

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
CHOOSE A HOT MEAL				
 Oven Baked Sausage Roll Served with Mashed Potato, Baked Beans or Seasonal Vegetables	 Wholemeal Pasta Bolognese Served with Wholemeal Crusty Bread & Seasonal Vegetables	 2 Slices of Wholemeal Margherita Pizza (V) Served with Seasonal Vegetables or Homemade Coleslaw	 Minced Beef Pie Served with Crispy Diced Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	 MSC Fish Fingers Served with Fries, Baked Beans, Mushy Peas or Peas
Or				
AN EVERYDAY FAVOURITE				
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CHOOSE A DESSERT				
 Banana and Oat Cookie	 Golden Crunch Biscuit	 Marbled Cocoa & Vanilla Biscuit	 Fresh Watermelon Wedge	 St Clement's Sponge Cake
Or				
AN EVERYDAY FAVOURITE				
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