



Crawford Village
Primary School & Nursery

THE CRAWFORD CHRONICLE

Friday 25th September 2026

Class Attendances

18 th September 2026				25 th September 2026			
O	C	M	W	O	C	M	W
100%	94%	97%	100%	95.4%	90.4%	94%	98.1%

School
Target
96%

A note from Maple Class...

It has been a fabulous start for Maple in their refurbished classroom. The children have settled in brilliantly and are already starting to show a great attitude to their learning.

In English, we have just started the classic novel 'The Enchanted Wood' by Enid Blyton. The children are looking forward to discovering all the adventures that occur and using this to inspire our writing. In maths, we have been focusing on place value and we have just started our Mastering Number sessions which focus on times tables. We are learning the actions and representations which can support us in our understanding. A super start!

In Art, the children have loved their topic "Developing Drawing Skills" and we have some fabulous artists emerging. Computing has been particularly exciting as the children have been exploring AI. During Coding Week, they designed their own games based on Stone Age life, using AI to program the "baddies" to react in different ways.

In PE, they have been developing their team-building skills whilst in History they have travelled back in time to explore life during the Stone Age. Science has been full of discovery, with the children investigating forces and magnets through practical activities and investigation.

A firm favourite has been our class novel; The Abominables by Eva Ibbotson which the children are enjoying immensely.

What a great start, Maple! We can't wait to see what the rest of the year



Coming up @ Crawford...

Diary Dates

Mon	Lunchtime - Choir/Young Voices
Tues	Before School - Hi 5 Club Lunchtime - Coding/STEM Club After School - Eco Club
Wed	After School - Craft Club
Thurs	Lunchtime - Wellbeing Club After School - Running Club
Fri	Morning - Brass After School - Sports Club (Dance)
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Next week:

2nd October 2026
Posh Nosh

Later in the half-term:

7th October 2026
Harvest Festival 9.15am

8th October 2026
Flu Immunisations

19th October 2026
Parents' Evening 3.30pm

20th October 2026
Parents' Evening 3.30pm

22nd October 2026
Dress Up Day - Halloween
Halloween Disco

23rd October 2026
School closes for half-term

2nd November 2026
School reopens 8.50am

10th November 2026
Individual and family
photograph

Dear Parents

What a busy few weeks! It's hard to believe how quickly the term is moving, and there has already been lots happening across school. It has been wonderful to see the children settling into their routines and getting stuck into their learning with such enthusiasm.

We are particularly excited to be taking part in our Year of Reading initiative. Some of our pupils have already had the opportunity to meet and listen to some fantastic guest speakers, sharing their experiences and helping to bring reading, books and the wider world to life. It has been lovely to see the children so engaged and curious, and we are looking forward to more exciting reading opportunities throughout the year.

Thank you also to all the parents and carers who joined us for our Phonics Workshop for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. It was fantastic to see such a great turnout. We hope the session was useful in explaining how we teach phonics in school and, importantly, how you can support your child with their reading at home. Your involvement really does make a difference.

We also had a fantastic sporting success at the Composite Relay! A huge well done to all the pupils who took part. They represented our school brilliantly, showing great teamwork, determination and sportsmanship. We were incredibly proud of them! As always, thank you for your continued support. It is lovely to see our school community getting involved in all that school life has to offer, and we are looking forward to plenty more exciting opportunities as the term continues.

Mrs Eaton

Mrs Eaton's Column

Award Winners



Star of the Week

Oak
Cedar
Maple
Willow

Grace
Sydney
Darcy C
Eva

Oak
Cedar
Maple
Willow

Lily
Alistair
James
Finley



Pride Award

Oak
Cedar
Maple
Willow

Myles
Elliott
Max
Hattie

Oak
Cedar
Maple
Willow

Sadie
Emily
Lottie Mae
Stanley



Super Writers

Oak
Cedar
Maple
Willow

Aurelia
Theo
Peter
Ivy

Oak
Cedar
Maple
Willow

Charlie
Reid
Martha
Sam

Housepoints

1st



3rd



2nd



4th



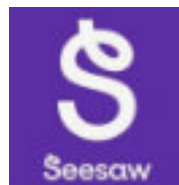
Last week:

1st Eagles
2nd Owls
3rd Ravens
4th Phoenix

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October Half-Term

Multi-Sports Holiday Club

PLAY
LEARN
BE ACTIVE
HAVE FUN
♥

Make Friends

Try New Things

Build Confidence

Be Part of the Team

Bookings Now Open!



Holland Moor Primary School
Cornbrook, Skelmersdale, WN8 9AG



**Monday 26th – Friday 30th
October 2026**



9:00am – 4:30pm



For children aged 5 to 11 years

Activities include:



Multi-Sports



Team Games



Outdoor
Activities



Challenges &
Competitions



Arts & Crafts



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more!

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Everyone!
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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about DISCORD

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

(with a 17+ app rating on app stores)

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

A CHANNEL FOR EVERYTHING

While Discord is strongly associated with video games, it also hosts communities for almost anything you can imagine, such as books, music, influencers, cooking and sport. Some large servers focus on popular games like Minecraft or Fortnite, but many are private, invite-only spaces where friends or communities with shared interests can chat across phones, computers, and gaming consoles.

REAL-LIFE DISTRACTION

Like many social platforms, Discord can become a real time-sink. Although it does not rely on endless scrolling in the same way as some apps, constant messages, group chats, and voice channels can keep young people engaged for long periods, especially in larger servers. As Discord is closely linked to gaming, it may also increase the time they spend playing games.

STRANGER DANGER

Users can choose to stay within private servers with only people they know, but joining public servers will most likely bring them into contact with strangers. Many users are just friendly enthusiasts, yet others could have harmful intentions, including grooming, extortion, or radicalisation. In these types of environments, anyone can claim to be another teenager, which can make it harder for young people to judge who is safe to talk to.

A HARASSMENT RISK

There is also a risk from people a young person already knows in the real world. Bullying in the real world can continue online, and Discord servers can make this feel more intimidating, especially if someone uses anonymous or multiple accounts to carry out threatening behaviours. Because Discord works across computers, phones, and gaming consoles, unwanted contact can follow young people into online spaces that should feel safe and private.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

This huge amount of choice can help young people "find their tribe", especially when they have niche interests. However, because users can create servers around almost any topic, younger users may still encounter unsuitable or distressing content. Even in spaces linked to child-friendly games, Discord cannot directly control every conversation, image, or video shared by other users.

A MONEY DRAIN

Discord is free to use, but users can still spend real-world money on it. This may include Discord 'Nitro', a monthly subscription that unlocks customisation features and larger media uploads, or purchases through the 'Shop' for profile cosmetics and game-related items. Small purchases can add up quickly, especially if spending controls are not in place.

Advice for Parents & Educators

USE FAMILY CENTRE

Parents and carers should make use of Discord's 'Family Centre', which gives an overview of a younger user's activity while respecting their privacy. Messages are not shared, but adults can view an activity feed and receive weekly email summaries. Discord says this is designed to support conversations about online behaviour, rather than be about constant monitoring.

CHECK, TALK, REPORT

Review Discord's privacy settings together, including who can send them friend requests or private messages. Use this as a chance to talk to them about strangers, privacy, and personal information, making sure young people know to question suspicious behaviour, such as requests to keep conversations secret. Show them how to block and report these kinds of users and reassure them that asking for help will not get them into trouble.

MANAGE TIME ONLINE

Agree clear expectations around when and how Discord can be used, especially during homework, bedtime, and family time. Encourage young people to turn off unnecessary notifications and leave servers that feel overwhelming. If Discord is mainly used alongside gaming, discuss healthy limits for both activities so that schoolwork, sleep, and offline friendships are not affected.

REVIEW SPENDING CONTROLS

Talk openly about paid features such as Discord Nitro, profile cosmetics, and in-game purchases. Make sure the young people in your care understand that digital items still cost real money. Check payment settings on the device they use, avoid storing card details where possible, and consider adding approval requirements for purchases, particularly for younger or more impulsive users.

Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is an experienced technology journalist who has written for the likes of Wired, TechRadar, Tom's Guide, The Evening Standard, and The New Statesman.



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