



*'How wonderful, how pleasing it is when all God's people come together as one.'*

**Belonging & Respect**  
**COMPASSION AGAPE STRENGTH PEACE SERVICE**

**NEWSLETTER –16<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2026**

**Dear Parents and Carers**

Another excellent week in school with learning remaining focused on our traditional tales along with a little dip into the new curriculum areas children will be focusing on this term. In **worship** this week we began to explore our new **value of Strength** and thinking about what this looks like using the story of David and Goliath to focus on these different elements. We thought also about being strong when faced with challenges and related this to learning and things we find tricky and persevering with. Yesterday Ms Hassan and I attended a meeting all about the **year of reading** and looking at the plans for the year ahead. It was interesting to hear the data about the changes in reading habits, the reasons why and different ways we can promote a love of reading – I didn't realise that the last year of reading took place in 2008! Look out for additional events, activities and if you're interested to know more, please click here: <https://goallin.org.uk/get-involved/families/>. As a school we have also begun to think more about behaviour, the reasons for why behaviours are presented and giving children the opportunity to understand more about the emotions they show and what they can do to recognise and support themselves in this. Miss Curtis this week lead a session for the school on **Zones of Regulation** – something many of you may already be familiar with and this will become a regular part of our timetables moving forward. We will share more with parents in due course on this but please see attachment with the current concept being explored. We are keen as always to work with you all as parents and carers to understand what is working well and what could be improved at Croughton School. We offer a number of ways to share views and thoughts already but would like to gather some data from you from our **Parent questionnaire** – please click the link here - [Parent Questionnaire 2026 – Fill in form](#) – it will remain open until 30<sup>th</sup> January to respond. Last night Mrs Meaghan accompanied pupils from **KS2 to a Target games** event at MCS. Children represented the school brilliantly and showed real determination in the events they took part in. Well done to you all and thank you to Mrs Meaghan, parents and carers who supported and helped. All children have been successful in getting a space in the **clubs** they requested which start on Monday – however an email has been sent out regarding Indoor Sports on a Tuesday.

*Have a lovely weekend; Good luck to Sophie and Zach taking part in the County Cross Country championships.*

*Kind regards, Mrs. Sarah Smith*

	Headteacher Value Award	Class Award	PE
OAK	Charlie	Ailsa & Olivia	Florence
CHESTNUT	Willow	Henry & Everett	Rosalynne
SYCAMORE	Noah	Ronnie and Poppy	Isaac
MAPLE	Sophie S	Barney & Abel	George F

**HOUSE POINTS: AIR 99 EARTH 96 FIRE 80 WATER 103**

**Attendance figure** - Whole school for academic year: **94.9%**  
**Authorised:** 3.78% **Unauthorised:** 1.14%  
**Class attendance this week:**  
**OAK: 98.8% SYCAMORE: 97.3%**  
**CHESTNUT: 98.3% MAPLE: 91.3%**

**Safeguarding** is everyone's responsibility.  
**Designated Safeguarding Lead:**  
Mrs. S. Smith  
**Deputy Safeguarding Leads:**  
Mrs K. Green & Miss H. Curtis  
**Gov responsible:** Rev'd Sara Cliff

**Diary – WB 19<sup>th</sup> JANUARY**  
**School Clubs start**

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

**Wednesday**

Swimming 3

**Thursday**

Y34 Sports Hall Athletics – selected chn - coach leaves at 8:35am

**Friday**

9am VIP assembly  
2:15pm Parent Forum

**DATES** Please visit the website where you will find our online calendar sharing any upcoming date information.

<https://croughtonallsaints.northants.sch.uk/dates-and-events>

A weekly diary is above.

**CLUBS**

We have sent out this term's offerings of clubs. These will start week beginning **19<sup>th</sup> January**.

**READING CHALLENGE -12**

children have completed the reading challenge and have today received their final certificate (and prize) for completion. Each time a checkpoint is reached children get a raffle ticket and these will lead to some additional spot prizes being given! The raffle will be drawn on **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January** – this will be when the reading challenge ends.

**ONLINE SUPPORT – we value your support in this area and understand how tricky it is navigated.** This week's support guide attached is on: **AI Toys**

**UNIFORM** - Whilst we want uniform to be comfortable and also affordable and advocate black school shoes, trainers can also be worn but only if they are **all black** – there are some children who have returned with different footwear that doesn't fit this brief.