

# FRIDAY LETTER



13/2/2026



## Children's mental health week

This year's theme for Children's mental health week is 'This is my place' and aims to support children to feel like they belong. Belonging is the feeling of being a valued part of the groups and places that are important to us. It means feeling cared for and comfortable to be ourselves.

All classes have enjoyed taking part in activities that encourage a sense of belonging. Year 1 made their beautiful collaborative art work to show how they all belong to our school. Year 6 also explored their sense of belonging by creating a personal map, which included places, groups, or activities or something not physical, where they feel they belong.



## Uniform Reminders:

We've noticed a lot of trainers being worn to school over the last few weeks. A reminder that **plain, black trainers** are part of our uniform but any other trainers are not (including on PE days).

There's also still quite a lot of jewellery being worn (earrings, chains, bracelets). Please remember that for safety, and to ensure that precious items do not get broken, any jewellery must be removed before school. Thank you - we appreciate your cooperation with our uniform policies.



## Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday we celebrated Safer Internet Day in school. This year we explored the safe and responsible use of AI (Artificial Intelligence). We all recognise that AI is becoming part of our lives and it's important that children have the skills and confidence to make safe choices when using smart technology. Everyone in school enjoyed learning about all things AI - from chat bots to voice assistants to the importance of making responsible decisions when using AI. **We will share some of our work at the online safety afternoon for parents of children in years 1-6 next Wednesday (18th). The content of the parent presentation is not suitable for young children so we must stress the importance of not bringing younger siblings to this event.**



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## Book Fair

Our Book Fair has been really popular this week. Thanks to those who have come along already to choose a new book. If you've not had a chance to browse, you still have until Tuesday to come along after school and help your child find their next read. Congratulations to our competition winners who each received a £5 voucher to spend at the Book Fair. We hope you find something you love!

## Skipping Day

With so many of our playtimes being lost to the wet weather this term, we've been pleased to try out different ways to keep active indoors. Today, we enjoyed a skipping day with each class taking part in a variety of skipping games and challenges. Let's hope that we get plenty of opportunities to get outside and practise our new skills next week!



## Frosty Friday

Next Friday we will be one of our popular Frosty Fridays! Ice lollies will be on sale for £1 at break time. All monies raised will go towards our playground project.



## Coming up at Crookhill:

Bookfair in School (until 17.2.26)

17.2.26 - Theatre production in School

16.2.26 / 17.2.26 - Parent consultations (YEAR 6 ONLY)

18.2.26 - Online Safety presentation for parents 1.30pm

20.2.26 - End of Half Term (Frosty Friday)

23.2.26 - 27.2.26 - HALF TERM

2.3.26 - SCHOOL CLOSED (INSET)

3.3.26 - Back to School

5.3.26 - World Book Day

9.3.26 - Science Week Begins

16.3.26 - 22.3.26 British Sign Language Week

20.3.26 - Comic Relief Day

30.3.26 - Year 5/6 visit to Beamish Museum

31.3.26 / 1.4.26 - Parent consultations

2.4.26 - Easter Egg Competition

2.4.26 - END OF TERM

20.4.26 - Summer Term Begins



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