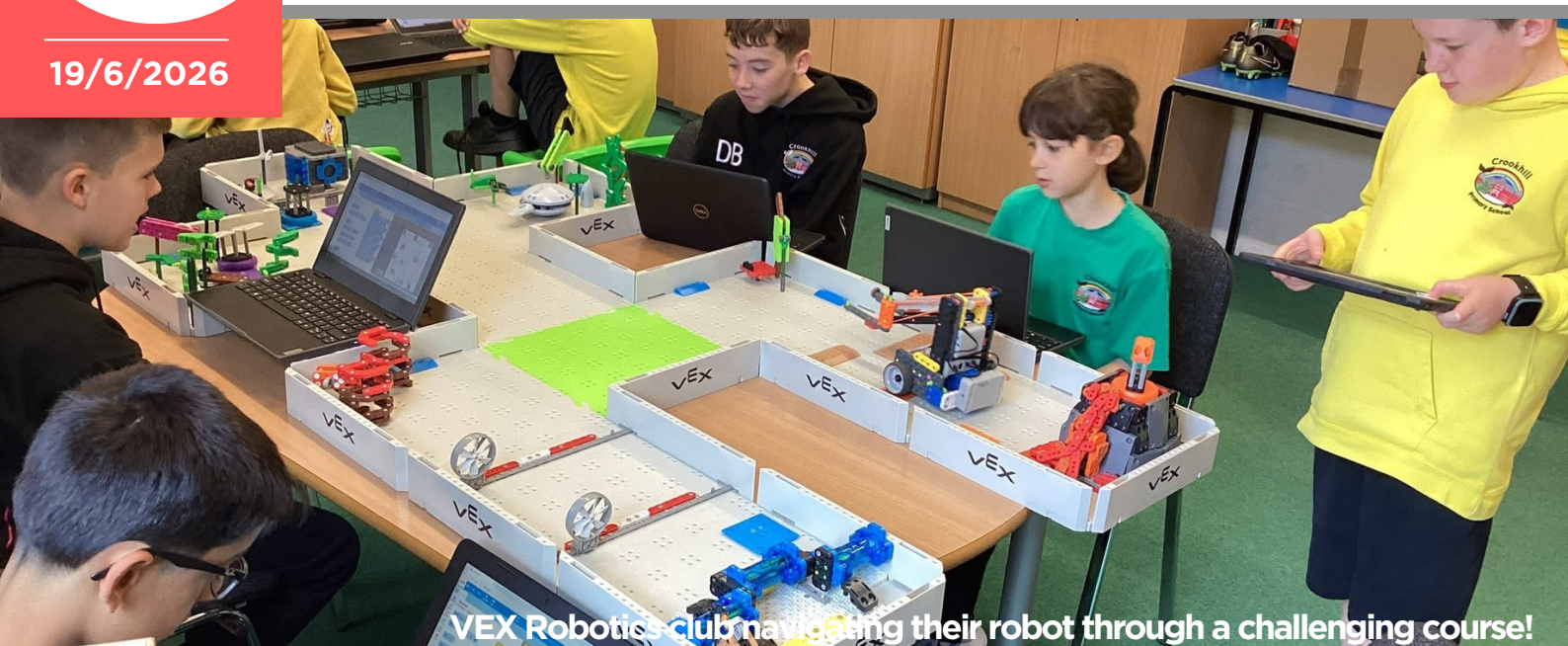




FRIDAY LETTER

19/6/2026



VEX Robotics Club navigating their robot through a challenging course!

Vex Club Robotics Day

Our VEX Robotics Club enjoyed their end of term event in school this week. They held their own competition to find the top driver on the Ocean Exploration Course. Then they wrote and tested their own code before teaching some of our younger pupils to drive their own robots. Our robotics experts have proved themselves to be experts in coding and programming and we're very impressed with their skills.

Please note that due to Forest Festival on Thursday, our final football club has moved to Monday so there will be no VEX club next week.



Staffing Updates

After an incredible 38 years at our school, we would like to announce that Mrs Dawn Grant will begin her well-earned retirement at the end of this term.

For nearly four decades, Mrs Grant has been a familiar, friendly, and caring presence in our classrooms and around the school. Throughout the years, she has supported countless children, worked alongside generations of staff, and played a huge part in making our school the welcoming and happy place it is today.

Pupils past and present will remember Mrs Grant for her kindness, patience, encouragement (and for being first on the dance floor at the Christmas party or Prom)! Her dedication to helping children learn, grow, and thrive has touched the lives of so many families in our community.

While we will certainly miss Mrs Grant, we are excited for her to start this new chapter filled with opportunities to relax and spend time with friends and family, especially her two granddaughters Sadie and Poppy. We're sharing this news now as we know that so many of you will want to wish her all the very best over the coming weeks.

You may also have spotted a new member of staff around school this week. Welcome to Mr Lee Walsh who has joined us as caretaker.

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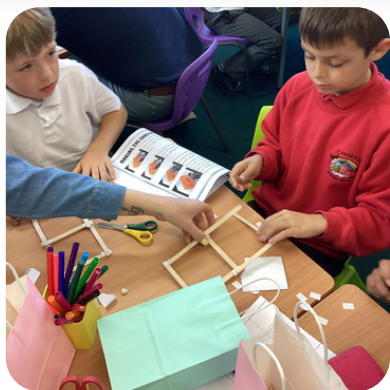


Festival in the Forest

Forest Festival plans are well underway - we just need to make sure that the sun shines for us (nothing to worry about there, surely). The last day to sign up for this will be MONDAY 22nd. Call into the office or return your letter if you want to join the fun. **A reminder that any bank payments due must be made to our fundraising account and not on Arbor.** Please make sure payments are completed by Monday. Details of the fundraising account are:
Crookhill Primary School Fundraising
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Account: 50932963

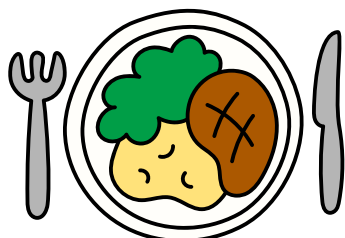
Year Four Open Afternoon

Thank you to the parents, grandparents and carers who came along on Wednesday afternoon to help our Year 4 pupils to complete their Design Technology projects. The finished products looked amazing and it was lovely to have so many people on hand to help with the trickier bits of the construction process!



Sports Day

Our annual sports day will take place on Monday 13th July from 1.30pm. For those who are new to Crookhill, the children will compete in their year group house teams in a carousel of sports activities including the traditional egg and spoon race, sack race, sprints and many more. If you're keen to get involved, we finish with a parents contest: a good old fashioned team tug o'war! Let's hope that the weather is kind to us this year. We look forward to seeing you there.



School Meals: price increase

As of September, the price of a school meal will increase to £3.10 per day, £15.50 per week.

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Coming up at Crookhill...



June



W/C 22.6.26 - Last Week for Afterschool Clubs

22.6.26 - Water Safety sessions

23.6.26 - Year 4 Visit to Jarrow Hall

24.6.26 - New Reception class group visits

25.6.26 - 'Festival in the Forest' - After School fundraiser

26.6.26 - Tennis house matches

29.6.26 - Year 5 trip - details to follow

30.6.26 - 1.7.26 - Thorp Transition days

July

1.7.26 - Class swap morning

2.7.26 - Reception open afternoon/celebration afternoon - details to follow

3.7.26 - KS1 Celebration afternoon - 2.30pm - details to follow

W/C 6.7.26 - Sport and Health Week

6.7.26 - B Outdoors sessions - details to follow

6.7.26 - Year 5 Open afternoon 1.30pm (parents invited into class)

7.7.26 - Scooters and Skateboards Day - details to follow

7.7.26 - KS2 SATS results

9.7.26 - Reception Fun Day - details to follow

10.7.26 - KS2 Celebration afternoon - details to follow

13.7.26 - Sports Day

14.7.26 - Annual reports go home

15.7.26 - Year 6 Prom - 7pm - 9pm - Tyneside Golf Club

16.7.26 - Year 6 Leavers' assembly

17.7.26 - Occasional day - school closed

Thursday 16th July - Break up for the summer holidays.

Return to school on Tuesday 1st September 2026



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