

NEWSLETTER



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	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
23 - 27 Jan	Bikeability Year 5 & 6 After-school Sports - Year R, 1 & 2	Bikeability Year 5 & 6 Choir 3.30-4.15pm	Bikeability Year 5 & 6	Bikeability Year 5 & 6 LAMDA club after school	Celebration Assembly 2.45pm
30 Jan - 3 Feb	After-school Sports - Year R, 1 & 2	Choir 3.30-4.15pm		GCHQ Workshop - Year 1 LAMDA club after school	Celebration Assembly 2.45pm

Key Dates

7 February KS1 Dance morning10 February Last day of term20 February Back to school20 February Dogs Trust visit

24 February27 February2 March31 March

'Wear your Wellies' Day GCHQ Workshop - Year 4 & 5 World Book Day Last day of term



Dear Everyone,

What a busy time we're having at Chulmleigh Primary school! Our new Head of School, Mr Evely visited us on Thursday and spent the day getting to know the children and staff (and a few parents on the gate). He is really looking forward to joining us after Easter.

Attendance

Thank you so much to all the parents who are trying so hard to get their children in to school regularly. Not only have we had another round of bugs and viruses, but on top of that, everyone has had to contend with snow and ice.

Our attendance rates are improving, but we are still slightly below the regional average of 95.1% attendance. Ours is 94.5%. (The target set by the DFE and the Trust is 96%)

In school for the week commencing 9th January, the attendance for each year group was:

Reception: 100% Year 1: 90.9% Year 2: 97.1% Year 3: 99.3% Year 4: 96.2% Year 5: 96.4% Year 6: 98.1%

Well done to all the year groups who achieved an attendance percentage of 96% or above, and a special well done to Reception!

Celebration assembly

Thank you to the visitors who came to our first Friday assembly recently. In future, we will let you know if your child is going to receive a certificate in advance. (Abby will send out a text or email on the Thursday before).

Support

I've attached details of a programme which may be useful (for ages 7-12) for helping children with anxiety, and also some general information from the Devon Children and Families Partnership (for all ages).

School improvement

This half term, we are continuing with our focus on writing, but we are also looking at how to improve the children's knowledge (and speed of recall) of the times tables facts. By the end of Year 4, all children should know all of their times-tables up to and including 12 x 12. This is definitely something that parents/grandparents etc can help with.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes

S. Healey

Sarah Healey



Help us to raise funds for the fantastic Children's Hospice South West by wearing your wellies to school on Friday 24th February! Minimum donation is $\pounds 1$ which can be paid via MyEd.

Thank you!



Cubs & Tigers

This week in Nursery the children have enjoyed making melted snowmen biscuits with icing and marshmallows and drinking hot chocolate at snack time to keep ourselves warm. And continuing with our ice exploration the children had great fun exploring the snowfall and ice that we had this week.



Lions

The Lions have been so busy in the last few weeks. We had a visit from Cinderella (twice). The children had the opportunity to ask her questions and showed her some of the writing they had done. The children then wrote sentences about Cinderella based on her answers.

The children were excited about the ball in the story of Cinderella so they decided to plan their own! They wrote their own invitations, made crowns and practised ballroom dancing! We had such a great time.

We also took full advantage of the snow. The children enjoyed making their own 'snow people' and using lots of different equipment to explore the snow. Lots of cold hands but so much fun!

In Woody Wonders this week the children learnt about what happens to trees during winter time. They also used clay and natural materials to make their own tree faces.









Dragonflies

We have had a busy start to 2023. We held a reading meeting for parents last week and would like to thank you for your support and participation. We have sent out some information about how you can help your child with their reading at home and appreciate your on-going support.

Our history topic this term is called 'Movers and Shakers' and we will be looking at a series of people across various disciplines who have made a difference, from Neil Armstrong to Van Gogh and Rosa Parks to King Henry VIII. It promises to be a varied and interesting topic. In Geography we are 'Exploring the World'. The children are becoming excited by using atlases and looking at maps of the United Kingdom and the world.

In science the children will be learning about 'scientists that changed the world' and will be looking at how aspects of their scientific ideas impact our lives today. Also, in art we will be looking at the work of significant still life artists and still life techniques. Our class assembly is scheduled for Thursday 9th February at about 2:45pm, so please save the date in your diaries.



Barn Owls

Barn Owls have been have been real rock detectives. They used magnifying glasses to have a really good look at each rock and decide wither it was shiny or dull. They then tested it with drops of water to see if it was permeable or impermeable (our new rock vocabulary!) and scraped it with a compass point to see if it was soft or hard. Barn Owls then used their findings to work out whether the rock is igneous, sedimentary or metamorphic! We love learning new vocabulary in Barn Owls!

We are carrying on working hard at learning our times tables and we are completing our current English block with our own version of the ending of Little Red Riding Hood. We have also been making sleeping bags for our teddies that were very kindly donated to us.





Bumblebees

In Bumblebees, we have been busy learning all about rivers! We have looked at rivers around the world, their uses, their journeys and their characteristics. It has been very exciting to also look at our very own River Taw and Little Dart, which run through Chulmleigh. In Science, we are learning about states of matter and the bees have enjoyed sorting different objects and materials into solids, liquids and gases.

This week, we thought about gases and investigated their particles and properties. We are still loving out Paddington class text and have worked hard to revise SPaG like adverbs, fronted adverbials, -ing ending openers and dialogue. We have also explored characters in the text and how we might create our own.

Squirrels

Squirrels have had a very busy week! In Maths, we have been looking at how to convert between mixed numbers and improper fractions using our multiplication and division knowledge. In Literacy, we have planned our class version of The Mouth-Organ boys. This has included creating a story map and orally rehearsing our stories with another person, planning grammar elements such as dialogue and multi-clause sentences and then finally writing our version. This will help the children for when they get to adapt the story themselves next week to write their own version. In the afternoons, we have looked at the Dig for Victory campaign in Topic and continue to practise our volleyball skills in PE.

In Science, Year 5 have been starting their Animals including Humans topic by looking at the life cycles of various animals and the specific scientific vocabulary used to describe the various processes and stages. Also, after learning about Louis Braille recently, everyone was keen to learn more about how the eye works. This has led to research and colourful informative posters being produced. In art, very detailed drawings of the human eye have been created. In RE we have been learning all about the colourful Hindu festival of Holi and the significance of each colour within the religion.

Foxes & Otters

Year 6 have had a busy couple of weeks and have been working hard.

In maths they have been tackling algebra and ratio and really enjoyed learning something new in maths as well as being able to use their skills that they already have and applying them.

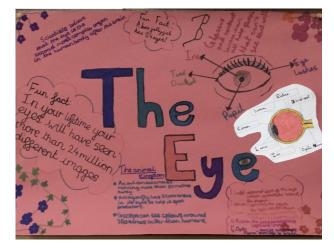
In English they have been learning how to write a prologue, the non-fiction style note which often accompanies a novel. They are really using their knowledge of Punctuation and Grammar to good effect, and becoming proficient writers!

We are coming to the end of our Frozen Kingdoms topic and the children have completed a quiz about their learning. They have remembered lots and been really enthusiastic about this topic, producing some fantastic work.

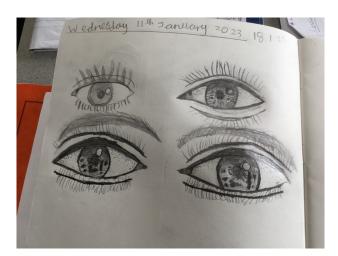
In Science we have started our topic on light and have learnt how we see things and began some research on our Super Scientist Sir Isaac Newton.

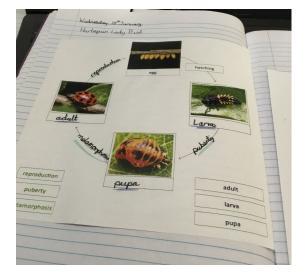
Quick reminder that PE is Mondays and Wednesdays and homework is due on a Wednesday.

Thank you for your continued support.









PTA Annual General Meeting

Our PTA Annual General Meeting will be taking place soon. All parents, teachers and families are encouraged to attend to discuss how the PTA supports our School, and to give your ideas and feedback on our plans for the year. We're delighted to welcome Kim Keenor as our new Treasurer, and we're also looking to recruit a Secretary (if you'd like to know more about what this role entails please email us on chulmleighpta@gmail.com).



Our Chair, Amanda, also needs to stand down in the late Spring so if you'd be interested in playing a leading role in how the PTA develops and progresses please

also contact us on the email above. There's always lots of support and help available from existing Committee members and Amanda will stay on the Committee as a Deputy to help the new Chair settle in. We look forward to hearing from you and chatting soon.



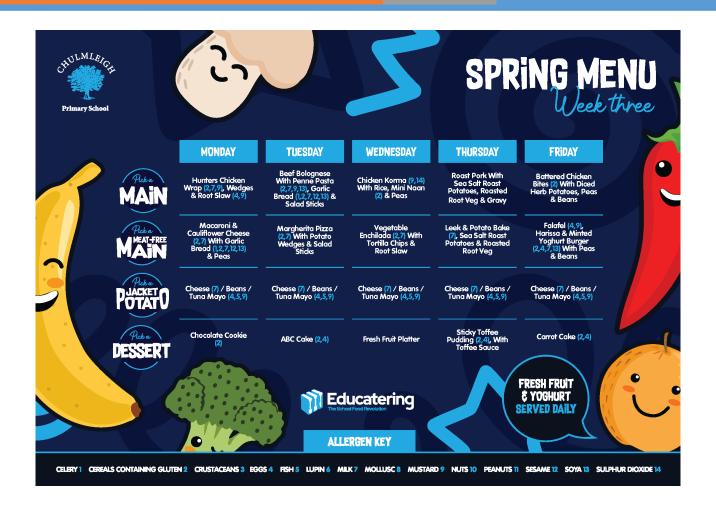
We currently provide free milk every day to all children in Nursery, Key Stage 1 and those on Free School Meals. If your child isn't eligible for free milk, but you would like them to receive it, you can register online and pay per term. Please visit www.coolmilk.com for more details

We are delighted to share our new menus with you! Meals are available to order on MyEd, and you can order up until the night before the meal is required.



CELERY 1 CEREALS CONTAINING GLUTEN 2 CRUSTACEANS 3 EGGS 4 FISH 5 LUPIN 6 MILK 7 MOLLUSC 8 MUSTARD 9 NUTS 10 PEANUTS 11 SESAME 12 SOYA 13 SULPHUR DKOXIDE 14





EXTRA-CURRICULAR & ENRICHMENT



Tuesday after school, 3.30-4.15pm Choir with Mrs Jackson Open to Years R - 6



Mondays - EYFS & KS1 Multi-sports after school



Tuesday lunchtimes: Digital Leaders with Mrs Evans



Thursday lunchtimes: Lego and Colouring club with Mrs Niejadlik

CHULMLEIGH ACADEMY TRUST

School Terms and Holiday Dates - 2022/2023 Academic Year

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Bank Holidays

26 December 2022

27 December 2022 02 January 2023 07 April 2023 (Good Friday)

10 April 2023 (Easter Monday) 01 May 2023 (May Day) 29 May 2023 (Spring Bank Holiday)

28 August 2023 (Summer Bank Holiday)

Non-Pupil Days

Five days selected from within the term dates to be determined by the Board of Directors

Occasional Holidays

Two days selected from within the term dates to be determined by the Board of Directors

Chulmleigh Primary PTA Needs You....!

We're all about Friendship, having Fun and getting Involved to make School Days the BEST EVER for all our children.....but we need more Volunteers to make it happen.

If you would like to find out more, please pop us an email on chulmleighpta@gmail.com or come and have a chat at the Open Afternoon ⁽³⁾ We look forward to seeing you!



Don't forget, the PTA is registered on 'Amazon Smile' and it's a great way of fundraising for the school at NO COST to you!

All you need to do is go to Smile.Amazon.co.uk and login to your Amazon account.

Then go to the top left-hand menu, select Help & Settings, Your Amazon Smile, in the 'search for a charity' box put Chulmleigh Primary School PTA and we're there. Click on us to set as your charity then everything you buy will yield a donation to the School!

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Chulmleigh Primary School

Registration Fee (per family) £10 Morning Session: 8am-9am - £4 Afternoon Session: 3.30-4.30pm - £4; 3.30-5pm - £6; 3.30-5.30pm - £8; 3.30-6pm - £10; After 6pm charge - £15 Tax-free childcare! You can get 20% off childcare costs. See below for details!

Our Out of School Club can take Childcare Vouchers

Check if you're eligible for tax-free childcare! The Government-backed Tax-Free Childcare scheme essentially gives eligible families 20% off childcare costs. You open an online Tax-Free Childcare account and the Government adds 20p for every 80p you pay in. You then pay your childcare provider from that account.

New Childcare Voucher users: Parents can check if they are eligible, and apply for an account by going to: www.gov.uk/apply-for-tax-free-childcare

Existing users may already be signed up and we also accept:

Computershare Voucher Services:

https://mvaccount.computersharevoucherservices.com/Loain/Loain.aspx

Existing account holders only, as the Government closed the Childcare Vouchers scheme to new entrants on the 4th October 2018.

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https://www.mychildcarevouchers.co.uk/DSV/Login.aspx

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If you are interested in signing up for the OOSC, please contact your School Administrator for a registration form. All bookings are pre-paid via the MyEd App.





UK Health Security Agency

Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

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Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like Illness (Including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scables	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.



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AT CHULMLEIGH COLLEGE Required as soon as possible

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, well organised and effective Personal Assistant to provide administrative support to the Executive Senior Leadership Team in their responsibilities related to school leadership, administration and management.

This is a key administrative role, and the successful candidate will work closely with the Senior Leadership Team. This interesting and varied post will include duties such as attending meetings, taking minutes, preparing reports, assisting with diary management, events organisation, compiling the annual College Calendar of events, undertaking specific project work and providing comprehensive administrative support to the Senior Leaders of the Trust.

The successful candidate will need to have excellent communication and interpersonal skills, dealing with members of the public, staff and pupils in a discreet, friendly and professional manner.

Candidates should demonstrate the following skills and attributes:

A high standard of English and Mathematics

Ability to communicate effectively

Experience as an effective administrator

Maintaining high levels of confidentiality and discretion

Able to work under pressure

The usual working pattern will be Monday to Friday, ideally from 8.30am – to 4.30pm (4.00pm on Friday) although some flexibility will be required. The contract is for 40 weeks per year. We are keen to appoint the very best candidate to promote our ambition to offer the best provision to all our pupils.

An application form, job description and information relating to our standing and success are available on our **<u>website</u>**

Please email completed application form to personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk by 10 am on Thursday 2^{nd} February 2023.

As employers, we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and in that regard have appropriate policies and procedures. All staff undertake a criminal record check via the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and interviews will include questions about safeguarding children.

Closing date: 10 am on Thursday 2nd February 2023

Interview Date: Thursday 9th February 2023



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