

NEWSLETTER



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	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
24 - 28 April	R & KS1 After- School Sports 3.30-4.30pm	Lions class trip - The Big Sheep KS2 After-School Tennis 3.30- 4.30pm		LAMDA club after school	Celebration Assembly 2.45pm
1 - 5 May	Bank Holiday	KS2 After-School Tennis 3.30- 4.30pm		LAMDA club after school	Celebration Assembly 2.45pm

Key Dates

8 May	Coronation Bank Holiday	5 June	First day of term
9-12 May	Year 6 SATs	5-7 June	Year 6 Residential trip
, 15-19 May	Year 2 SATs	13 June	Year 4 & 5 River Taw Project Day 1
18 May	Year 6 trip parent meeting	27 June	Year 4 & 5 River Taw Project Day 2
26 May	Last day of term	3-7 July	Year 5 Greek Week



Dear All,

Welcome back to the Summer Term! I hope you have all had a lovely Easter holiday and enjoyed some lovely family time together.

Thank you!

I am delighted to start officially as head of school at Chulmleigh Primary. I would like to say a massive thank all the children, parents and staff for making me feel very welcome this week. When speaking to you all at the start or end of the day, it has been lovely to get to know you and I look forward to getting to know you all in the coming days and weeks. I knew Chulmleigh Primary was a wonderful school before I arrived and this week's warm welcome has just confirmed that!

'Make Every Minute Count'

This week in assembly, I reminded the children of the importance of 'Making Every Minute Count' in their learning and have been visiting classes to see this happening. I set the children the challenge of them telling me have they have made 'Every Minute Count' as they see me and they certainly have. I have been impressed with the way they have embraced this challenge and will set weekly challenges in assembly.

Uniform

During assembly time, I also spoke about the importance of team work. Everyone wearing the correct uniform is a great example of teamwork in action as it means:

- we are all one big team and have a sense of belonging
- we represent our school smartly and with pride
- we are all equal
- we are focused on learning whilst in school

Reminders will be given to the children about the importance of correct uniform as we know that looking smart helps with taking pride in all they do.

Attendance

Across all classes we continue to work on improving attendance and punctuality at school. At Chulmleigh Primary, we know that 'Every Minute Counts' and being in school on time really helps with maximising our learning every day. Thank you so much to all the parents who are trying so hard to get their children in to school regularly.

Our attendance rates of 94.3% are still slightly behind the targets set by the Department of Education and the Trust which is 96%. Up to 19th April the year group attendance is:

Reception: 99.15%
Year 1: 94.18%
Year 2: 94.05%
Year 3: 95.52%
Year 4: 93.09%
Year 5: 92.62%
Year 6: 94.26%

Well done to reception who were over 96% and to Year 3 who were nearly at 96%!

School Improvement Update

This week, staff have had training from Devon's Communication and Interaction team on understanding Speech, Language and Communication Needs as well as Developmental Language Disorder (DLD). As part of the training, staff learnt about the importance of early identification and the strategies they can use in school to be support our children with speech, language and communication needs. We have three more training sessions booked in this half term which we are really looking forward to. More information can be found at Developmental Language Disorder (DLD) - a snapshot by Charlotte Forwood - Flipsnack

Warmest wishes,

M J Evely

Martin Evely and all staff of Chulmleigh Primary School

Chulmleigh Cricket Club is a family oriented and friendly club and is looking to restart its kids team (girls and boys aged 6-11).

Cricket is great fun and improves fitness, stamina, hand eye co-ordination as well as team work skills.

In order for this to happen, we need some adult volunteers to help run the sessions and organise games.

Likely time commitment would be a couple of hours per week throughout the summer.

If you are able to help, please contact Rodney Davies (Chairman) on 07974 741792 or Andrea Summers on 07734 886709.



LAMDA

After-school LAMDA drama workshops held each Thursday have proved to be a great success and children are going in confidence and their knowledge of performance skills week by week. We will eventually work towards a performance for parents and through drama games and script reading and lots of ensemble work the children are learning to work confidently as a team.

If you think this is something that your child would be interested in please email for further details to:

antoniawhittick1970@gmail.com





Cubs & Tigers

What a welcome I have had on my return to school, and it has been fantastic to see all the children, parents and lovely supportive staff, especially in Reception, that I have the pleasure of seeing everyday. And a special thank you goes out to Saffy who took over and kept the Nursery going in my absence.

Our topic this term is all about 'Our Pets' and we have already set up a Pets Corner in Nursery for the children to enhance their imaginations through roleplay. The school guinea pigs will also be visiting us every Thursday, too. If you have any family pets, please could you either email me gran-dall@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk or send in a photo with your child with a brief explanation so we are able to share any news within our 'Let's Talk' sessions. You could even use our online learning journal, Tapestry to upload any photos, etc.

If you are unsure please speak to me.

We took full advantage of the sunny weather this week and had our lunch outside which the children loved, so fingers crossed for more days like that.

Gina and Saffy



Lions

The children have returned with bundles of energy and enthusiasm to start the new term. We have spent the first week talking about our own pets. We could not quite believe the variety of pets we have in the class! We also looked after the guinea pigs and learnt how to take care of different animals. We have started to set up our own petting zoo in the class and hope to get lots of ideas of items to add after our trip to the Big Sheep next Tuesday.

In Science we are starting to look at life cycles. Our tadpoles arrived on Tuesday and the children have enjoyed watching them in the tank and asking questions about the changes which take place before they become frogs. During Woody Wonders we learnt about caterpillars and went on a search for some around the school. Sadly, we did not find any, but we did find lots of leaves with holes in them. We were delighted when our caterpillars arrived from Insect lore on Thursday. We will keep you posted on their development.



Hedgehogs

The summer term sees our focus turn to history for our topic and we are learning about Victorian schools. The children have been really excited by the one lesson we have had already! Our science is learning about Plants and we will continue to learn about Seasons. This week we had a look at the plants growing around the school field and were able to name some of them. We found that, without their leaves on, the trees are much harder to identify. In PSHE we are learning about what our bodies need to keep healthy. In RE we are learning about Naam Karan which is the Sikh baby naming ceremony and the importance of our names. In our PE lessons this half term we are learning to play tennis and are also doing yoga.

In Maths over the next couple of weeks we are learning about the very first step in multiplication, which is counting in twos, fives and tens and considering equal groups of objects. Any practice you can do at home with counting out loud (no writing required!) in steps of twos, fives or ten would be very helpful!

In English we are learning to use time conjunctions to sequence our writing and make it sound more interesting! Please continue with reading at home as the progress the children are making is amazing! Also, if you have time for your children to spend some time on Spellingframe.co.uk, that would also help them enormously!



Dragonflies

We hope that you all had a wonderful Easter holiday. The children were excited to tell us, and their friends, about the many things that they had done over the holidays.

We have started Term 3, in Year 2, and have many lovely experiences to come. This week we have started a new writing block around the story book, 'Traction Man is Here' by Mini Grey. The children have really enjoyed reading the book and we have high hopes for the stories that it will inspire. The children's writing from 'Tell Me A Dragon' was fabulous with some beautiful description. Next week in Maths we have the joy of fractions so plenty of talk about pizzas and chocolate cake!

The humanities topic that goes across the whole term is 'Coastlines' and we will be learning about mapping, the physical and human features of coastal towns and keeping ourselves safe at the coast. While it is mainly a geography topic we will also look at some history with daring rescues, exploration and the RNLI.

The science topic this term is plants. We will be learning that plants are living things and what they require to grow. what plants we eat and the common parts of plants and trees. We will be planting a variety of seeds and investigating their growth and the conditions they need to grow.

In art, the children will learn about the visual elements of flowers, including shape, texture, colour, pattern and form. They will also explore various artistic methods, including drawing, printmaking and 3-D forms, using paper and clay.

Mr Evely is teaching RE in Dragonflies this term and he had a lovely afternoon with the children this week.

Bumblebees

Bumblebees have had an awesome start to the new term! We have kick started all our new learning, including our exciting new topic: Invasion. We are excited to find out what happened after the Romans, which children studied in year 3, and find our who invaded the island we call home.

Linking to our topic, we have launched our new English text: Monster Slayer. We have enjoyed the first few spooky chapters and year 4 love the gruesome story line.

Our new science unit is 'animals including humans' and we had a great first lesson learning all about teeth! While we learnt the purpose of our teeth and how to care for them, we did also have a very interesting discussion on the Tooth Fairy's new rates!

Do let us know if you, at home, have any expertise on our learning this term you may be able to share!

Barn Owls

Barn Owls have had a fantastic start to this new term. In Maths we are just about to start learning about fractions and in English we have just started reading our new text "Dare To Care for a Dragon". This book is our new favourite and we have already had some fantastic conversations about the new vocabulary.....especially the word "pneumatic" along with sound effects!

We have had our first session in Taiko Drumming – this has really helped us to become a team as we have to really listen to each other and watch carefully so that we are all together in our performance.

Barn Owls are trying to improve their reading at home and they are all trying to up their AR minutes over the next few weeks. They are also working hard to gain the highly contested first, second and third places on Spelling Frame.



Year 3



Year 5

Squirrels

Squirrels have come back ready to learn this week! We have started our new topic all about the Ancient Greeks and the children have lots of questions already. We have looked at the timeline of Ancient Greece compared to Britain and the rest of the world to see similarities and differences. We have also looked at some artefacts from the time period and tried to guess what they might have been used for.

In Literacy, we have started to look at our nonchronological reports and identified cohesive devices and layout devices used that we will be including in our own reports. In Maths, we have continued looking at fraction, decimal and percentage equivalents.

In Music Year 5 have had an exciting start to the new term with learning to play the Taiko drums. Playing the instrument involves the need for great focus and control. We look forward to developing our skills over the coming term.

In PSHE everyone has been discussing and putting forward suggestions for scenarios about people spending money. The ideas shared were very sensible and mature.

We would also like to give a big thank you to the PTA for the Amazon voucher as our treats have arrived this week, including games for Golden Time, a Bluetooth speaker so that we can do PE outdoors and a football pump!

Foxes & Otters

Year 6 have been working very hard in the first week of term. Well done to all of those who completed their holiday homework – it has really helped them to keep ticking over, ready for SATS in two weeks. They have all enjoyed the beginning of our new topic – "A Child's War" – which explored the history of World War 2, keeping a spotlight on how it affected the lives of children in different pats of the world. After watching the film "Goodnight Mr. Tom" at the end of last term, we are ready to plan our narrative writing, based on the experiences of being evacuated.

In Maths we have been studying a different topic a day to begin our revision. It's been amazing to see how much the children have remembered from their previous learning. In Science we are beginning a topic on the human circulatory system, developing understanding of how the heart and lungs function in our bodies.

Can we please remind anyone who has not yet returned the SATs week breakfast club slip or the residential meeting slip to please return them as soon as possible so that we can ensure we accommodate everyone and can order enough food!

Thank you for your continued support.



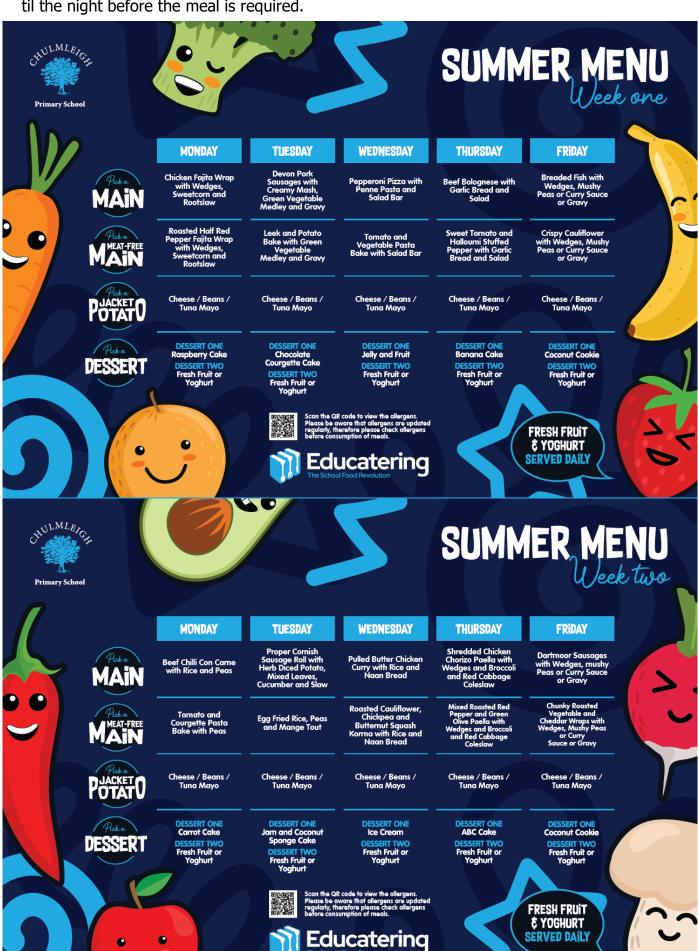
A request to our 'bus parents'!

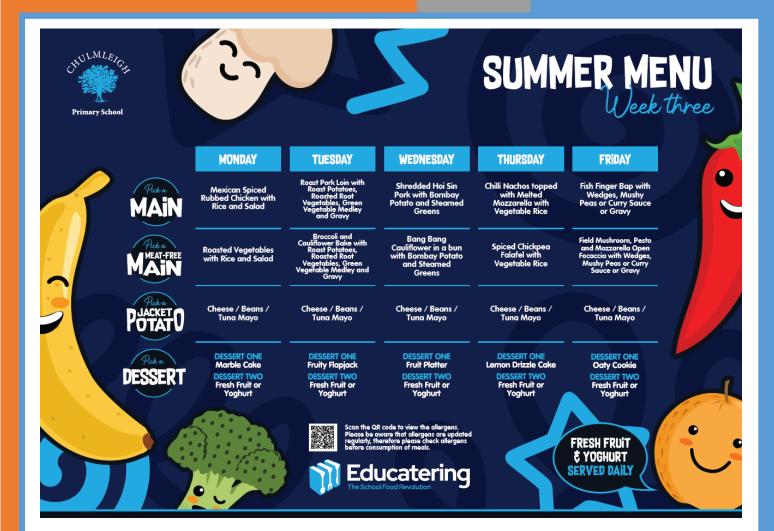
If your child(ren) travels by school bus or taxi, please let us know by MyEd message or by email to admin@chulmleighprimary.devon.sch.uk if the arrangements are different to usual or if they will vary throughout the coming week.

Messages in the home-school diaries can unfortunately get missed if classroom staff are absent, whereas messages online can reach various members of the Admin team even in Abby's absence.



We are please to share our new Summer menus with you. Please review the menus below if your child has any allergies. Meals are available to order on MyEd, and you can order up until the night before the meal is required.







CHULMLEIGH ACADEMY TRUST

School Terms and Holiday Dates - 2022/2023 Academic Year

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Bank Holidays

- 26 December 2022

- 26 December 2022
 27 December 2022
 20 January 2023
 07 April 2023 (Good Friday)
 10 April 2023 (Easter Monday)
 01 May 2023 (May Day)
 08 May 2023 (Ming Charles Coronation)
 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 Directo

Occasional Holidays

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

EXTRA-CURRICULAR & ENRICHMENT



Mondays Multi Skills - Reception & KS1 Tuesdays Tennis - KS2



Tuesday lunchtimes: Digital Leaders with Mrs Evans



Thursdays after school with Antonia Whittick



Thursday lunchtimes: Lego and Colouring club with Mrs Niejadlik

Chulmleigh Primary School

Out of School Club



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/Login/Login.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.







Should I keep my

child off school?



Until...

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



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

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





Advice and guidance

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