

## Dear Parents and Carers

It has been another exciting couple of weeks in school.

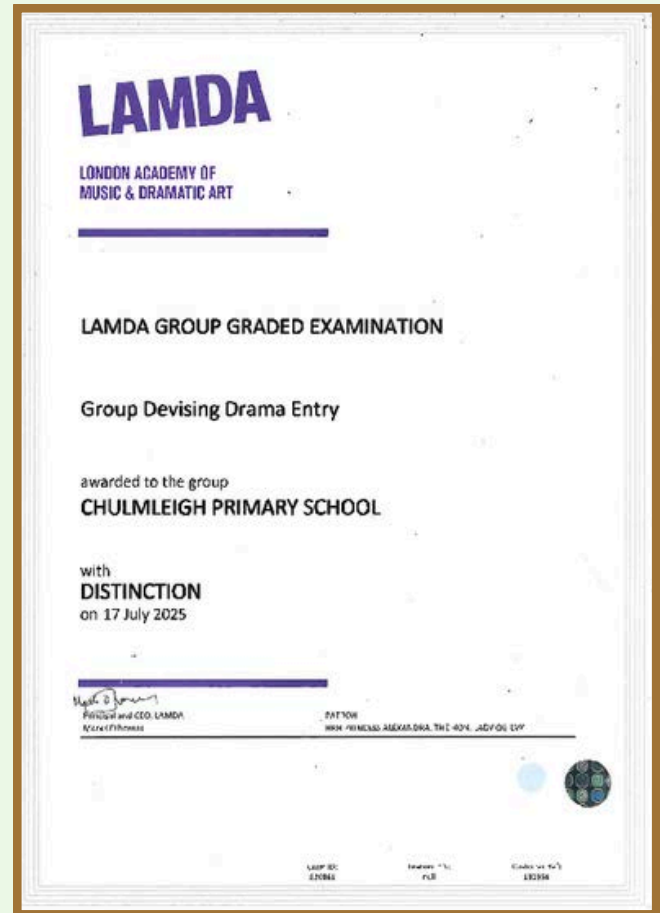
I was very impressed with the children's knowledge, passion and enthusiasm for all things scientific during last week's science fair. When I spoke to every child who had brought something in, they could tell me the science learning about their entry and could answer my questions which was incredible.

I would like to say a huge thank you to the parents who made all this possible by helping your child/ren to make their entries such a success. I know Mrs Hancock (as Science Lead) had the unenviable task of trying to find age groups winners as they were all amazing. Additionally, I would like to thank Mrs Hancock for the organising the science fair and for supporting all the children with the setting up of the various demonstrations that occurred. I took Lions class in to see the science fair as it was my teaching day and one of them remarked that "it was really fun seeing all that learning". I think they summed up the event perfectly!



This week, we have had the excitement of our annual Appledore book fair author visits. We all know how vital it is for children to leave us as competent, fluent readers and events like this help to encourage the lifelong love of reading. As ever, our visiting authors commented on how polite, curious and mature the children were from all classes across the school, even our youngest children. I told the authors this is what we expect at Chulmleigh and they told us that they definitely live up to our high expectations. I know they were also suitably impressed with the depth and variety of questions they asked. A big thank you to Ms Keen (as English lead) for arranging this event and for always promoting the love of reading and writing across the school.

I recently received a lovely certificate from LAMDA congratulating all our children for all obtaining the highest grade of distinction for their group devising drama entry performances before the summer holidays. The examiner also left fantastic feedback saying that "it was a pleasure watching you perform as a group today. Together, you are bright, bold and charismatic and you clearly all have a passion for acting. Your work is structured in a clear and coherent way, which helps capture and audience and the stimulus is clearly reflected in your work. You stage your work creatively, and there is a lovely sense of enjoyment shining through in performance." This feedback was a joy to receive and I would like to say that we are all immensely proud of every child who took part in the group devising drama entry performance. If you would like more details of how your child/ren can join LAMDA sessions, please contact Antonia at [antoniawhittick1970@gmail.com](mailto:antoniawhittick1970@gmail.com) or call 07938 956158.



Excitingly, our expanded nursery setting continues to grow in numbers and we are shortly going to be advertising for another part time foundation stage practitioner due to the ever growing demand for sessions and spaces. This is testament to the superb job the dedicated nursery team are providing for our youngest children.

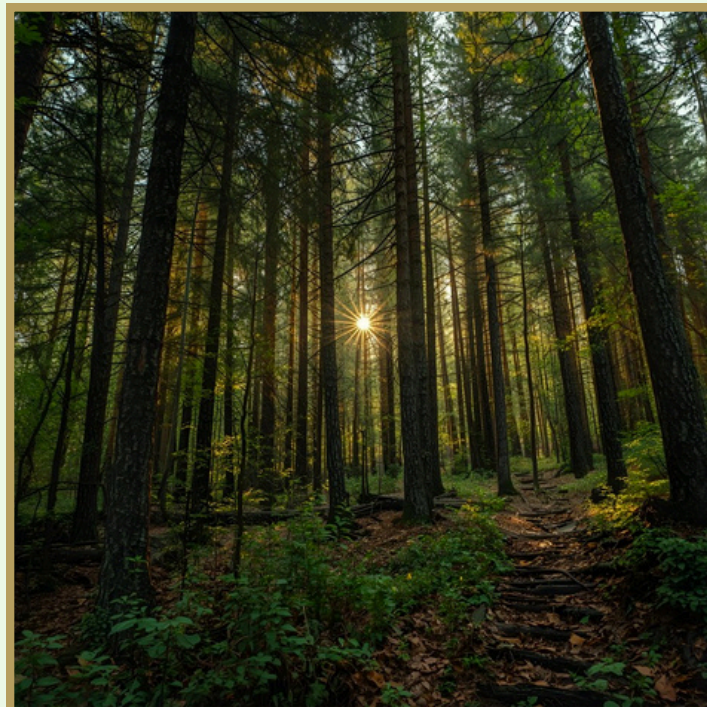
Lastly, please remember that we have our Grandparents' afternoon next Friday from 2.00pm. This will be the third year we are running this event and every year it gets better and better. I look forward to welcoming many of our grandparents to school. I know they will enjoy looking at their grandchild/ren's work as well as sharing a cream tea with them.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Martin Evely and all at Chulmleigh Primary School.



Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Wednesday 1st October	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October
			Year 3 Trip To Kents Cavern	Forest School Year 3
				Grandparents Day 2pm - 3.30pm
Lunchtime Clubs Years 5 & 6 Boys Footballs	Lunchtime Clubs KS1 Multi-skills	Lunchtime Clubs KS2 Multi- skills	Lunchtime Clubs Years 3 & 4 Mixed Football	
After School Football Years R, 1 & 2	After School Multi-shills Years R - 6	After School KS2 Football	After School Girls Football Years R - 6	



Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> October
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## Tigers & Cubs

We've had a lovely start to the term in Nursery getting to know each other and learning our new routine.

We've been busy playing lots of listening games and 'getting to know you' games at circle time. This week we had a special visitor, a lovely tortoise called Fred!

The children enjoyed seeing him and we fed him some cucumber!



## Reception

Well, what can I say! The Lions have already learnt six sounds and have loved putting these sounds together to make different words. They have made an incredible start to their reading journey.

In maths we have been sorting objects and comparing the size of different objects. We also learnt about repeated patterns and used the resources in the classroom to make our own patterns.

This week the children have been talking about the special people in their lives.

During our Woody Wonder session they collected stones, sticks and leaves and used them to create pictures of people from their family.

During our outdoor Friday sessions, the children have enjoyed looking around the school exploring the dig pit, trim trail and mud kitchen.

We also enjoyed a visit from Fred the tortoise!



## Hedgehogs

We have had another busy 2 weeks in Year 1!

In Phonics, the children have learnt lots of new sounds, which the children love! These sounds include 'ay, ea, ie, oy, ew'.

In English this week, the children had a go at writing their own sentences about different parts of the Three Little Pigs story. As a class, we came up with 2 key points from the beginning, middle, and end. Each day, the children have had a go at drawing these events and writing a sentence about each one. They have worked so hard!

In maths this week, we have been focusing on counting backwards, as well as one less. The children have also been comparing groups by matching them together.

In science, we are continuing with the seasons. We have moved on to learning about animals that hibernate, and also thinking about the changes that happen in winter. We had a lovely visit from a special tortoise too, which was perfect as they are also about to go into hibernation. The children also wrote their own weather forecast for the day and surprisingly....it was sunny!

In geography, the children have been learning about the 5 oceans of the world and have also been looking at the hot and cold places on Earth. We know that places along the equator are super warm!

In PSHE, we have been thinking about all of the things that we keep ourselves safe from, such as roads, the sun, water...etc. The children are great at telling us how they keep themselves safe from these things too.

Music has been fun this week too. We have been learning a new song, and thinking about all of the instruments we can hear in it. We then practiced finding the 'pulse' of the song, and repeated lots of rhythms by clapping what we heard.

We ended the week with our author visit, which was lovely. The children asked some great questions too!



## Dragonflies

Year 2 have had a busy few weeks of learning!

In English, we have continued exploring the story 'The High Street', creating story maps and learning to retell the story. Soon, the children will be planning and writing their own shortened versions of the story.

In Phonics, we have been focusing on the long 'a' sound, looking carefully at the different spellings such as 'ai', 'ay', 'ey', 'eigh' and a-e. The children have been practising writing words with these patterns and using them in their own sentences.

In maths, we have been continuing our work on place value, using practical resources to partition numbers and developing our use of mathematical vocabulary.

In science, we have continued learning about different materials. We listened to the 'The 3 Little Pigs' story and discussed which materials were best for building the pig's houses. The children will also use materials to package an egg; this will then be dropped from height to test the suitability of their chosen materials! If you have any spare materials at home, such as cardboard, plastic containers, fabric, bubble wrap etc, we would love to use them for our science experiment.

In geography, we are continuing our learning linked to Norway, comparing it to our local area. We have also been finding out about the continents and oceans and will be learning about the symbols used on a map.

Dates for your diary - 22.10.2025 - Peninsular dental visit for Year 2 children. Peninsular dental deliver oral health education sessions to schools. The Open Wide Step Inside Programme involves a 45-minute teaching session which includes a 15-minute animated film about Geoffrey the Giant, who doesn't like to look after his teeth and has never visited the dentist! With the help of his friends Geoffrey learns some important key oral health messages which are vital to help keep his mouth and teeth healthy. Following the film there will be an interactive session, instilling important key messages around oral health.

## Barn Owls

Barn Owls have had a fantastic few weeks!

We had some amazing experiments for the Science Fair which everyone loved visiting and watching. In science, we have created extrusive, igneous rock by using chocolate and melting it over ice to see the result. Sadly, we were unable to eat it, but we made up for that in Forest School!

We have absolutely loved Forest School and have enjoyed learning new games and making dens.

In maths we have been making numbers to 1000 and using number lines to 1000.

In English, we have been researching rocks to create a fact page about rocks – we are currently deciding who we are going to send our fact files to so let us know any ideas that you have!

We are all trying really hard to read at home and to do our homework. Spelling Frame and TTrackstars has definitely improved this week – well done everyone!



## Bumblebees

Bumblebees are steaming ahead with their times tables this year, having already learnt 4s and 8s, we'll now be moving on to the 6 times tables.

We have also been working really hard on our story writing and practicing using the correct punctuation for speech and ensuring our handwriting is neat.

The children have enjoyed learning about the Viking invasion and how King Alfred the Great defended England.

In science we have been learning about the functions of different teeth and in ICT we've been learning about the different components that make up a computer and network.

We also enjoyed a visit from Fred the tortoise



## Squirrels

The first few weeks of term just seem to have galloped by.

The children have done an amazing job settling into Year 5.

We have started drafting our stories based on “The Tear Thief”. I have been bowled over by their creativity and carefully drafted phrases. We still have a lot of work to do but I’m already looking forward to the end result. The children have also been learning to work with numbers up to a million in their maths lesson. They are beginning to get to grips with larger numbers and we have talked a lot about the place value of those numbers.

In PE, we have started to prepare our routines in gym. The children have picked the routine they feel most suited to their ability and are working hard on learning it. I have been impressed by their fantastic partner work and how much they are supporting each other.

We are looking at how to stay safe in PSHE and will continue our work on this.

The children have begun sketches of Henry VIII in art. We will work on finishing the outline this week and then adding more detail and colour.

On Tuesday, we explored the hardness of different materials. I have included some pictures of the children doing this.

Throughout all our lessons, we have been working on expressing ourselves clearly and speaking in full sentences to help support the children when they are discussing what they have learnt.



## Otters

Year 6 have had another amazing few weeks.

We are in full swing of our World War 2 topic and the questions they are asking are so mature and inquisitive, they are showing such an enthusiasm for an amazing topic!

We are heading into our next maths unit on the four number operations and they are already showing what amazing mathematicians they are!

In English they are continuing to write some very emotive work based around our World War Two topic and we will hopefully share some examples of this soon.

Well done to all of our classmates who took part in the science fair. They were all so creative, imaginative and above all scientific!



It has been another amazing two weeks of OPAL!

We were delivered some very wet weather last week, which made for an excellent mud slide that the children loved.

Although this week has been very cold, the children have been enjoying the sun at lunchtime and taking full advantage of the field.

We would be very grateful for any donations of scooters and bikes that you no longer need.

The children really enjoy playing with these, but we would love some more to add to our collection.



## Mighty Minds Lunchtime Club

We would like to say a big thank you to Lexi-May who kindly brought her tortoise named Fred into school for the day.

We loved meeting him!

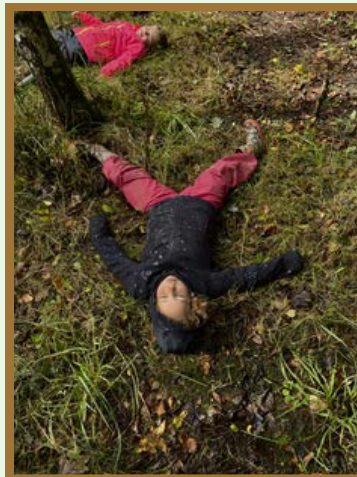


Barn Owls have been having a fantastic time in Forest School on Fridays!

They have loved playing various versions of hide and seek as well as lying on the ground and feeling the nature around them.

At the beginning and end of each Forest School session we do a check - in where everyone says how they are feeling. Lying in nature led to a lot of quotes from children saying how it made them feel really calm and they loved watching the leaves move.

This week, we have been building dens in teams of 4 or 5 children and working together to create a canopy that would keep them dry.





We hope the children are settling into the new school year and enjoying seeing the change in seasons as we move into the Autumn.

We will soon start planning for our Christmas events so please do let us know if you have any ideas or suggestions.

Be sure to like our Facebook Page to keep up to date with PTA news!

Please follow us on social media or keep an eye on our newsletter or posters around the school for more information. As always, keep your ideas and requests coming in to [PTA@chulmleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:PTA@chulmleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk)



Pre-loved school uniform

You will notice a box outside of school filled with pre-loved uniform.

Please do take a look and see if there is anything of interest to you. Please help yourself. If you wish to make a donation to the PTA please scan the QR code on the box.

Thank you.



**Happy Grandparent's Day**

PTA invites all Grandparents and special persons to come & celebrate.

Friday 3rd October  
2pm-3.30pm  
at  
Chulmleigh Primary School

Cream tea together & a chance to explore the learning environment.

Tickets to be purchased on MyEd or to a PTA member

£3.50 per person (includes child/children)



# AGM

## CHULMLEIGH PRIMARY PTA



**TUESDAY - 21ST - OCTOBER**  
**3..45-4.45PM**  
**AT CHULMLEIGH PRIMARY SCHOOL**

-FUNDRAISING IDEAS-JOIN THE COMMITTEE-FUNDS THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED-HAVE YOUR SAY-FUTURE PLANS-



Any comments or suggestions are welcome from you ahead of the meeting. Please do let your PTA team know by either catching one of us at the school gates or emailing [PTA@chulmleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:PTA@chulmleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk)

We are always on the look out for helpers and greatly appreciate anything you can offer. If you would like to get involved with the PTA, please email [PTA@chulmleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:PTA@chulmleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk) or find one of us around the school. Please keep a look out for more information on our upcoming events and as always thank you for your all your support. We look forward to a fun filled spring and summer!

The PTA Team

CHULMLEIGH ACADEMY TRUST  
School Terms and Holiday Dates - 2025/2026 Academic Year

	September					October					November					December					January					February				
College Week	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2		1	2	1	2		1	2	1	2		1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2		
Monday	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	
Tuesday	7	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	
Wednesday	3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	
Thursday	4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	
Friday	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26		7	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	

	March					April					May					June					July					August				
College Week	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2		1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2		1	2	1	2	
Monday	2	9	16	23	30	5	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	
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Friday	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	

Bank Holidays ■

25 December 2025  
26 December 2025  
01 January 2026  
03 April 2026 (Good Friday)  
05 April 2026 (Easter Monday)  
04 May 2026 (May Day)  
25 May 2026 (Spring Bank Holiday)  
24 August 2026 (Summer Bank Holiday)

Non-Pupil Days ■

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

School Holidays ■

Occasional Holidays ■

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



## Choosing A Primary School For September 2026 Entry?



### Come and join us for our Open Morning!

Thursday 2 October 2025  
9.30am to 11.30am

- Tour of the School
- Stay and Play
- Come and meet staff & pupils

#### What we have to offer:

- Outstanding teaching
- Dedicated Forest School area
- Wrap around care - 8.00am - 6.00pm
- Strong sense of community
- A nurturing environment
- A wide variety of enrichment opportunities
- Priority admission to Chulmleigh College



We look forward to meeting you!

RECEPTION: 01769 580535 [www.chulmleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk](http://www.chulmleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk) EMAIL: [admin@chulmleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@chulmleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk)



Chulmleigh  
Primary School  
& Nursery

# School Lunches




## School Lunches

### MyEd + Pay £2.61

**Please order by midnight the day before**

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**If you miss this deadline please provide  
your child with a packed lunch**

[www.chulmleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk](http://www.chulmleigh-primary.devon.sch.uk)





**FRESH FRUIT  
& YOGHURT  
SERVED DAILY**



## AUTUMN MENU

Week 1

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Pick a MAIN</b>	Breakfast Brunch with Bacon, Sausage, Hash Brown and Beans	Pasta Bolognese with Garlic Bread and Sweetcorn	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage	Chicken, Ham & Sweetcorn Pie with New Potatoes, Carrots & Peas	Fish Finger Sandwich with Roasted New Potatoes and Garden Peas
<b>Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN</b>	Quorn Sausage with Hash Brown, Beans & Tomatoes	Vegetable Soft Shell Taco with New potatoes & Garden Peas	Chickpea and Sweet Potato Bake, with Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Cabbage	Cheese and Onion Quiche with New Potatoes and Peas	Veggie Finger Sandwich with Roasted New Potatoes and Peas
<b>Pick a JACKET POTATO</b>	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans	Beans or Tuna	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans
<b>Pick a SANDWICH</b>	Cheese or Ham	Ham or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Ham or Cheese	Ham or Tuna Mayo
<b>Pick a DESSERT</b>	Fruit Platter Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Carrot and Courgette Chocolate Brownie Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Jelly with Mandarins Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Banana Cake Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Oaty Cookie Yogurt Fresh Fruit

We are pleased to offer a variety of allergen free options on our food menu. Although all food is prepared in a kitchen that handles most allergens and therefore we cannot guarantee that cross contamination will never occur, we do take every possible precaution to prevent this from happening.







# School Lunches

Chulmleigh Academy Trust

**FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT SERVED DAILY**

## AUTUMN MENU Week 2

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Pick a MAIN</b>	Beef Chilli with Rice, Nachos & Sweetcorn	Steak & vegetable Pie with Mash, Carrots and Peas	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage	Chicken Burger with Wedges and Peas	Breaded Fish with Roasted New Potatoes and Beans
<b>Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN</b>	Vegetarian 5 Bean Chilli with Rice, Nachos & Sweetcorn	Falafel Wraps with Mash, carrots & Peas	Homity Pie with Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Cabbage	Plant Based Burger with Wedges and Peas	Vegetable Fajita with Roasted New Potatoes And Beans
<b>Pick a JACKET POTATO</b>	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans	Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans
<b>Pick a SANDWICH</b>	Cheese or Ham	Tuna or Ham	Cheese or Tuna	Cheese or Ham	Tuna or Ham
<b>Pick a DESSERT</b>	Iced Sponge	Meringue with Cherry Pie Filling	Chocolate Mousse	Chocolate Krispie Cake	Lemon Drizzle
	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt
	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit

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## AUTUMN MENU Week 3

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Pick a MAIN</b>	Pepperoni Pizza with Wedges & Salad	Sweet and Sour Chicken with Rice & Sweetcorn	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots & Cabbage	Chipolata Sausage with Mash, Gravy, Carrots & Peas	Fish Fingers or Salmon Bites with Diced Potatoes & Beans
<b>Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN</b>	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Wedges & Salad	Singapore Noodles	Broccoli and Cheddar Quiche with Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Cabbage	Vegetarian Sausage with Mash, Gravy, Carrots & Peas	Halloumi Stuffed Pepper with Diced Potatoes & Beans
<b>Pick a JACKET POTATO</b>	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans	Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Tuna mayo	Cheese or Beans
<b>Pick a SANDWICH</b>	Cheese or Ham	Tuna Mayo or Ham	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Ham	Tuna Mayo or Ham
<b>Pick a DESSERT</b>	Fruit Platter	Waffle with Apple & Toffee Sauce	Jelly and Fruit	Flapjack	Carrot Cake
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# OCTOBER ROADSHOWS

27-31 OCTOBER | 9.30AM-3.30PM  
BOYS & GIRLS ALL ABILITIES AGED 5-15



**BOOK  
NOW!**

# Football Roadshows

EAST CORNWALL / NORTH DEVON

Football Roadshow unless stated

Monday, 27 October  
Lanivet Community Hub  
St Joseph's School, Launceston

Tuesday, 28 October  
Holsworthy Youth Football Club  
St Teath Football Club

Wednesday, 29 October  
Dobwalls Football Club

Thursday, 30 October  
Chulmleigh Primary School - Multi-Sports  
Saltmill 3G, Saltash

Friday, 31 October  
Callington 3G  
- Halloween Special Football Roadshow  
Polperro Football Club  
- Halloween Special Football Roadshow  
Bude Football Club  
- Halloween Special Football Roadshow





**Chulmleigh Parish Church St  
Mary Magdalene**

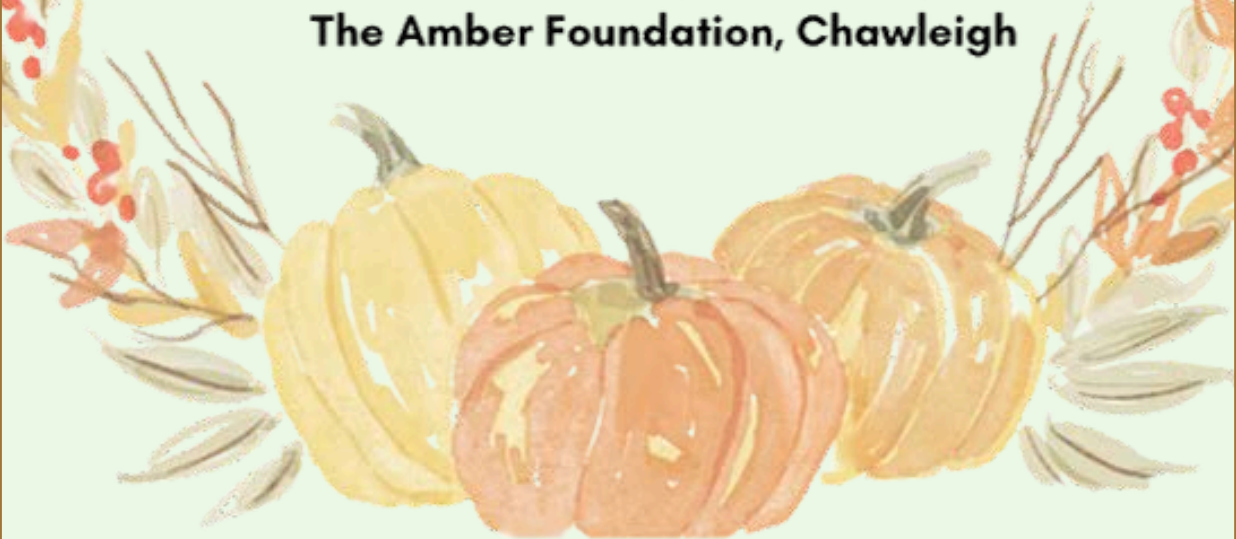
**Harvest thanksgiving service**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September**

**Bacon rolls, pastries and coffee from 10:15 am**

**Songs, short talk and activities for children**

**Donations of food produce to go to  
The Amber Foundation, Chawleigh**



**"We want to see Jesus, can you help us?"**

**John 12: 20-21 (The Messae)**