

The Chulmleigh Cheer!

Celebrating student success

We're Welcoming in Winter

Here at Chulmleigh Primary, we are excited for winter as Christmas brings a real sense of community - which is the main theme in this issue of The Chulmleigh Cheer.



Community

This term we're celebrating **community**. Our primary school is mini community all of our own, an organisation that, like any other, thrives on kindness, teamwork and support. We share the same set of values and all help each other feel a sense of belonging.



Celebrating...

Community

Creativity

Clubs

Kindness

Thoughtfulness



As well as...

Compassion

Music

Sports

Our love of the outdoors

Thank you!



We want to say a **HUGE THANK YOU** to all of the kind and selfless volunteers from the wider community that make our school great. Check out pages 5, 6 and 7.

We ♥ Animals

Our young journalists have written some lovely articles about a range of animals, including ferrets, horses, barn owls and a special trio named: Clover, Coral and Caramel. Perhaps you know exactly who we're talking about or maybe you'd like to find out? Either way, turn to pages 9 & 10!



COMPETITION TIME!

WRITE A POEM ABOUT YOUR PET (OR SOMEONE ELSE'S). THERE ARE PRIZES TO BE WON!



Celebrating Our Community

Written by Lexie and Annmarie in Year 6



“Chulmleigh Primary School is like a bee hive.”



Chulmleigh Primary School is like one big bee hive. We are always buzzing around getting lots done: the staff and the children work hard to make sure our hive is great!

“We are all good little worker bees”

We love our hive and all work together to keep it going. There are lots of jobs but we all work together to make sure they get done and support each other even people that are not our best friends we help everyone in our hive!

Mr Evely is like the king bee at the school because he is the leader but he is also kind and friendly and treats everyone with respect. He tells us to tuck our t-shirts in but this is to encourage us to make sure we have self-respect not just to tell us what to do.



Another worker bee in Miss Charlotte. She is always so busy and works really hard. She helps everyone feel better when they are sad and makes everyone feel included.

Everyone in the school is like a bee because we are all so busy working together.

The honey we are all working together to make is progress. We all help each other to do well and improve and get better at sport, handwriting, literacy, reading, math and all kinds of other things.

Sometimes we are outside doing opal where we get to roam around like the bees and sometimes we are inside making our honey working hard to learn and get better. Our bee hive is great!

“THE HONEY IS PROGRESS.”

Celebrating Our Town

Written by
Ember and Felicity in Year 4

Chulmleigh is in the heart of Devon
and it's also in our hearts too.

Chulmleigh is a small town. With a primary school and a college. Chulmleigh shops are small but they are great. There is a post office, a bakery a hair-dresser. There is everything. Chulmleigh also has parks. There are two parks in Chulmleigh. I love both of them but my favourite is Pavillion park, what's yours?



We are so lucky for our school in be in Chulmleigh town because Chulmleigh is quite a school place so it's quite lucky for a big school to be there. We learnt about the town recently. In Chulmleigh it's not that busy compared to London and it's peaceful because there aren't lots of sirens everywhere.

“At Chulmleigh you get to make lots of good friends. There is tons of kind people there. We go to Brownies there. I love Chulmleigh it is so fun!”

- Felicity



Aren't we lucky to have all these amenities!

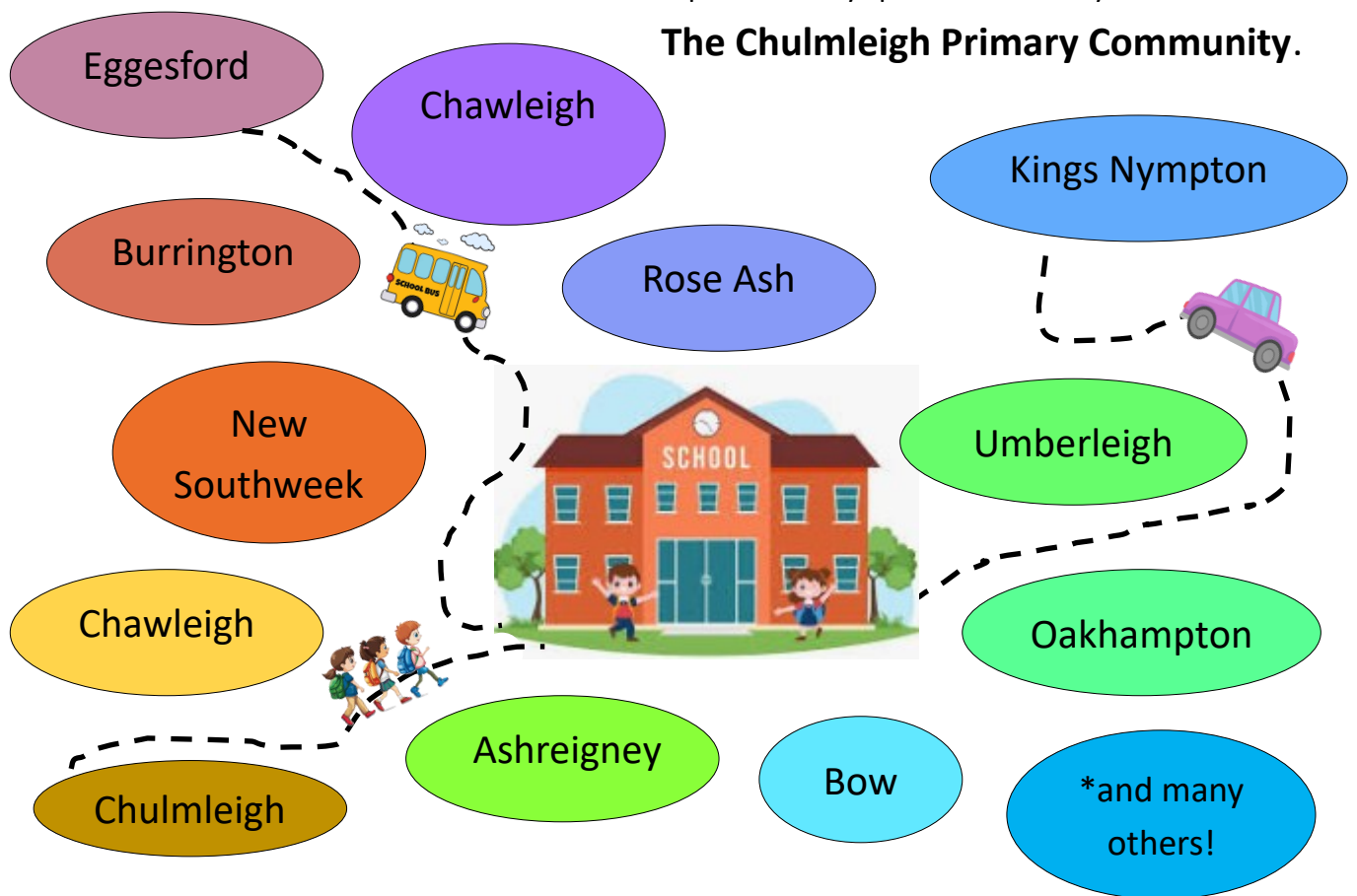


Celebrating

Our Wider Community

Children from far and wide travel to Chulmleigh Primary School everyday. At home, they are part of their own special community made up of neighbours and clubs and groups and organisations but they are also part of a very special community here at school:

The Chulmleigh Primary Community.



My Community

I live in Week. There are not very many people and it is quiet. It has a long bumpy road. A few people live there. I live in Devon in a big house with a playroom and some bedrooms. Antony, Rebecca and Robert are my neighbours. They are friendly. I like where I live. I catch the bus to get to school. I like school because lots of people say hello to me.

Written by **Hector** in **Year 2**



Let's Celebrate Our Helpers

Written by Harper and Rosanna in Year 4

Every week lots of lovely helpers come to our school to help in lots of different ways. We have helpers to read, helpers to encourage progress in maths, helpers that raise money for the school, helpers that inspire children to sing in the school choir and many more...

We would like to tell you all about three very special ladies who are very dedicated to helping children in many ways and these are:

Mary

Mary comes every week on a Monday to help the children in Year 1. She sits with them and patiently listens to them read. She is so kind and helpful making them feel comfortable and happy to read to her.

We asked Mary if she also likes to read and she said that she does and that when she was younger she liked to read books about the Royal Family.



Jo

Jo helps on a Wednesday because she finds it very rewarding and enjoyable and fun.

“It’s really rewarding.”

She said she plays alphabet games with letters and plays word games and help the children with joining their letters in handwriting. Jo also listens to them read.

Jo also comes in to help Year 6s when they are doing their SATs.

Linda

Linda helps with anything and everything. She has helped with SATs like Jo and she listens to children read. She has also helped raise a lot of money for the school. Last year she sold lots and lots and lots of 3D printed colourful models at the Christmas Fair and made lots of money for the PTA.



Let's Celebrate Our Helpers

The PTA (and Santa's Special Helpers)

It takes a really long time and lots of planning to do things like the Christmas Fair and the Summer Fair but the PTA work so hard every year to make these events happen so we can all enjoy them and so the school can use the extra money to help the students.

Leo in Year 3 wanted to say a special thank you to the PTA from all of us:

You have tried really hard working and helping set up the Christmas Fair. We're thankful for having you in our school and I hope you have the best Christmas holiday.



Let's Celebrate Our Helpers

The Choir

Written by Leanna in Year 6

The choir is a musical group where we express our voices and sing songs.

Mrs Jackson is very kind because she helps and provides support. Mrs Pinhey helps a big amount and is very kind for volunteering to run choir. Choir has practised Christmas songs to prepare for our recent school play which was on the 3rd of December. We did voice exercises before we started singing. Mrs Piney makes us confident to sing, by saying we are really good at singing. A big thank you to Mrs Pinhey for volunteering.



This is our school choir performing at our KS2 concert .

Let's Celebrate Our Community Mindedness



Birthdays

Written by Juno in Year 3

About our class's birthday celebrations:

Well, we make a bunch of cards exactly 29 because there are 29 people in our class and then when it is someone's birthday, we have a special birthday hat that they wear for the day and they get to choose a card from the birthday box and they get to take Bertie Barn Owl home for the night to help them celebrate!

Tidiness

Written by Edie in Year 4

Community
Litter Picker



It is important to tidy because then things are organised and when things are organised you remember. We make sure not to drop rubbish anywhere except in the bin. If you see any rubbish on the floor you could put it in the bin. It's everyone's responsibility to keep the school tidy. It's not just school that needs to keep tidy everywhere should be tidy so you could go on a litter picking walk to keep everywhere clean.

Our Environment

Written by Ember and Felicity in Year 4

We have built bug hotels to keep the bugs safe but we don't trap the bugs in there.



We do Forest School on Fridays where we build dens, bug houses and roast marshmallows. We think fresh air is important as it gives you energy and to learn about nature.

In Mrs Jackson's Eco Club we learnt about hedgehogs and what they like and how to look after them and we built them a tunnel.

Friendship

Written by Daisy in Year 6

Friendships are wonderful bonds between you and other people. There are many ways you can make friends with people: playing with them, looking after them, being funny and so many more.

I have quite a lot of friendships, here are some of mine: Izzy, Beth, Jess, Elowen, Maryna and a few more.

Friendship in school



We Care About Animals

Written by Ayla in Year 3

I LOVE FERRETS



My ferrets. They're white. Mine is called Cheesecake and Percy's is called Niky. We care for them by giving them lots of water and a really big home and we give them brown food and sometimes pigeons and rabbits. Cheesecake and Niky are gentle and when I put my finger in the hole in the cage Cheesecake licked my finger. Cheesecake is very friendly. She is very cute. Sometimes cheesecake puts her tiny face under the sawdust and cheesecake likes it when I throw sawdust on her she dose rolly pollys sometimes and jumps up and down.

OUR SCHOOL GUINEA PIGS



As we're celebrating our community this term, we must remember to celebrate our school guinea pigs.

We have guinea pigs in our school and we have 3 of them called Clover, Coral and Caramel. Some lunchtimes we have guinea pig clubs so we can brush them hold them and feed them.

Our guinea pigs live by the red tables after we play with them we put them back in their cage carefully. Our guinea pigs like having straw to hide and dig into.

They are a BIG part of our school community because they help us when we feel sad and they help occupy us.

Written by Rosy and Esmee in Year 4

We Care About Animals

Written by Juno and Charlotte in Year 3

BARN OWL VISIT

Just now a lady from the Barn Owl trust and she came in with a real Barn Owl. The Barn Owl's name is Bailey and Bailey was amazing and he flew right over our head's it was so cool. Everybody was laughing and screaming which Mr's Jackson wasn't very happy about. It was so fun to see Bailey the Barn Owl. Some Barn Owl's eat field vole's. Field vole's are a Barn Owl's favourite food because they are kind of easier to catch for food. And guess what mum and dad need to hunt 20 little mammal's every night so they have to do really hard work.

FUN FACTS

- Female barn owls have freckles on their bellies but male barn owl don't
- Tawny owls will eat worms but barn owls won't
- It is was easy to recognise the Bailey was a barn owl because he had a heart shape face and orangey skin on the back
- Barn owls eat field voles
- In the wild they live for about four years but when they're held captive they can live for twenty years!



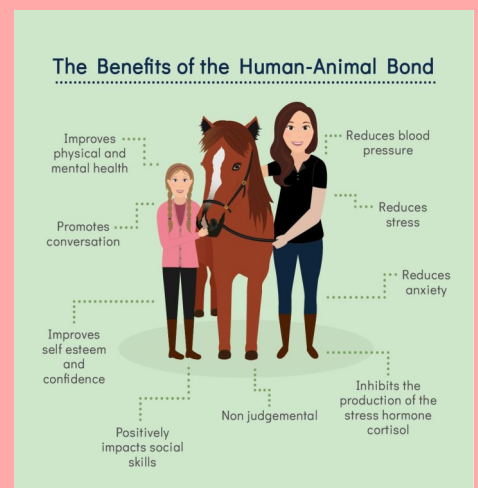
HORSES

Written by Daisy in Year 6

Horses are beautiful, majestic animals with a lovely bond of nature. They are fun to ride and play with. You might do horse-riding lessons or have a pet horse living with you. Either way there is so many ways you can be friendly and kind to a horse.

Did you know we used to have a horse at school?

Horses can reduce blood pressure, anxiety and stress. They can also improve physical and mental health, self esteem and confidence. They are non judgemental, free-spirited and fun creatures.



Celebrating Creativity

Joseph in Year 4 wrote a wonderful poem about how fluff mysteriously seems to get everywhere in his house. I wonder where it is coming from. Have a read and find out...

Enough Fluff

Snowflakes of hair flurry down to the ground.

I wonder tomorrow where this fluff might be found.

Will I find it on my head?

Or on the pillow of my bed?

One morning it was on my toast!

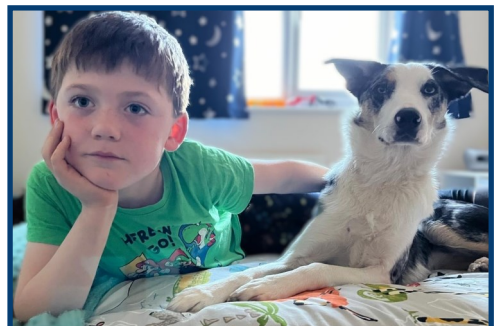
It sticks to my clothes the most.

It covers the carpet. It clings to the chair.

It really does get everywhere.

It belongs to my friend, whose coat looks like fog.

Her name is Caragh and she is my dog!



If you love poetry writing, why not enter our next competition. Following on from Joseph's theme, try writing a poem about your PET and when you've finished, pop it in the box near the Year 5 classroom.

