



# CHRISTOW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Date: 25/04/2025

## NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Easter break. It's lovely to see the children back in school, full of energy and ready for an exciting term ahead.

We've had some very special arrivals over the holidays—our chicks have hatched! Children in our Foundation Stage Unit have been thrilled to see photographs of them and are already taking a keen interest in learning how they are growing. They've certainly brought a lot of joy and curiosity. Thank you to Alfie, Evie and Kit for providing them with such caring homes.

Another beautiful addition to our school is now proudly on display—the stunning mosaic created by our pupils and local artist is now hung at the front of the school. It's a vibrant celebration of our school values and community spirit, and we encourage you to take a look next time you're passing by.

This week, we held a Rights Respecting assembly focusing on Article 12: the right of every child to be listened to. The children shared their thoughts on what they'd like to do and achieve this term. Their ideas were thoughtful, creative, and showed just how empowered they feel to have a voice in their school life.

Excitement is also building as parts have now been allocated for our end-of-term play. There was a real buzz of anticipation as the children found out their roles, and rehearsals will be kicking off very soon. We can't wait to see their hard work and talent shine on stage!

As always, thank you for your continued support. This promises to be a busy and brilliant term, and we're looking forward to all the learning, laughter, and memories still to come.

**Best Wishes, Mrs Yeo and the Christow Team**

<b>Reception</b>	93.2%
<b>Year 1</b>	96.2%
<b>Year 2</b>	94.4%
<b>Year 3</b>	96.5%
<b>Year 4</b>	95.3%
<b>Year 5</b>	93.7%
<b>Year 6</b>	92.9%

**Well done Year 3**

**School Overall Attendance for the year to date**

**94.7%**

'Good' attendance is 97% or above.

### Safeguarding Officers



Mrs Yeo      Mr Statham

If you have concerns about a child outside of school hours it is your responsibility to report it to

**MASH** 0345 155 1071

### CHRISTOW STARS for the week ending 25th April 2025

#### Headteacher's Award for "Star of the Week"

Elodie      Leo

Kit    Evie (YR)    Archie (Y4) and Alfie

#### Piece of the Week

**Haldon:** Eleanor



**Hedgemoor:** Lowen

**Kennick:** Thea



**Bowden:** Miya

#### Value of the Week:

**Haldon:** Archie

**Hedgemoor:** Tor

**Kennick:** Ellie

**Bowden:** Henry

## Dates for your diary

<b>Thursday 1st May</b>	Help clear the Reading Shed (see below)
<b>Monday 5th May</b>	Bank Holiday
<b>Monday 12th to Thursday 15th May</b>	Year 6 SATS
<b>Monday 26th to Friday 30th May</b>	HALF TERM
<b>Wednesday 21st May</b>	Parent Forum
<b>Thursday 19th June</b>	Preschool Sports Day
<b>Friday 20th June</b>	Sports Day at 1pm @ TVCH

### IMPORTANT - Reporting Illness

Please be aware that we have a child in school who is immuno-supressed. It is even more important than usual that you advise staff if your child is unwell. We will be reinforcing good hygiene practices; washing hands, throwing away used tissues and keeping the school well ventilated.

### Preloved uniform sale

Preloved uniform sale every Thursday morning in the school hall after drop off. Or contact Zippy on 07769 352630. A preloved uniform rail is also set up in preschool.

Pay what you like- all donations go to the PTFA. Good quality uniform happily received.

We currently have the following in stock-

School jumpers- ages 5-6 and 7-8

Skirts- Ages 4, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 13

Cardigans- Ages 4, 5, 6, 9 and 12

Shirts- Ages 3, 5, 6, 10,11

Dresses- Ages 4, 5, 6, 9, 10

Trousers- Ages 3, 4, 8

Shorts- Ages 4, 5, 7, 9, 11 and 12

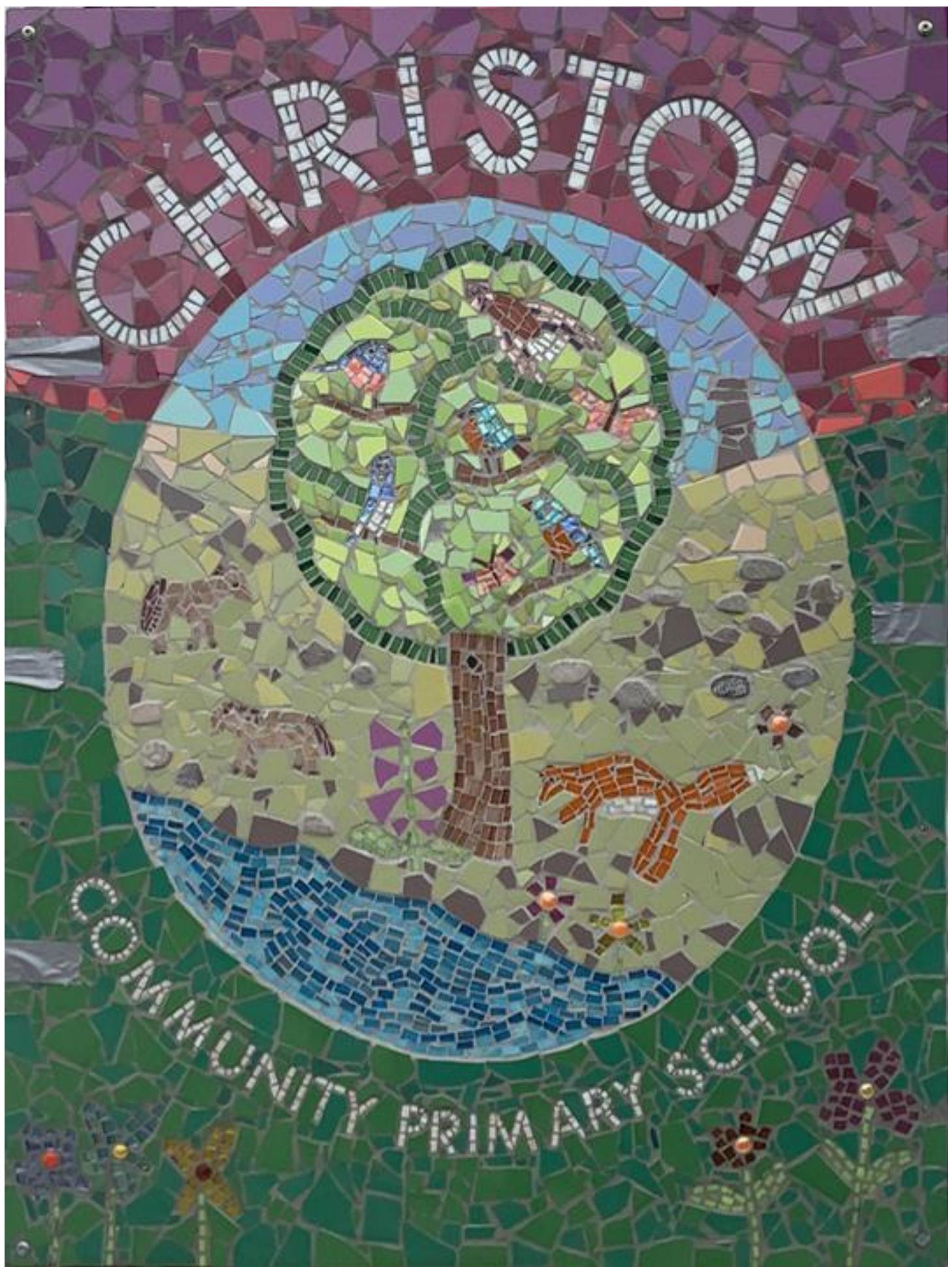
Summer dresses- Ages 4 and 5

PE t shirt- Age 5

PE shorts- Ages 3, 5 and 9

### Help us create a Reading Shed

A plea for volunteers to help empty and sort the shed after school on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May**. This will become the playtime quiet reading and playing area. Please do speak to a member of the PTFA if you are able to help.





## The Chicks have hatched!



### Visiting Haldon and Hedgemoor

On Friday, we were excited to see how much they have grown in the last 3 weeks. They now have some 'grown-up' feathers and spend far less time huddled together. They can jump high!

### Sand Play Wish List

This half term Mrs Garner will be starting some sand-play sessions; sand-play is a therapeutic intervention that makes use of a sand tray and figures to create miniature worlds to help some children work through some thoughts.

She is making a plea for the following items that will be useful for this, ideally she is looking for generic figures rather than specific characters e.g 'a princess figure', rather than a 'Barbie' or a red vehicle as opposed to 'Lightning McQueen' from 'Cars'.

**Animals** -wild/forest/prehistoric/domesticated/sea creatures/reptiles

**Monsters** - large, small, two-headed

**Food** - eggs/cake/nourishing food

**Plants** - trees/cacti/seaweed

**Buildings** - castles/houses/teepees/bridges

**Vehicles** - cars/police and emergency/trucks

**People** - action oriented figures/fighting figures/fantasy/families/spiritual.

Anything that may represent the natural elements - fireplaces/stoves/ceramic lakes or rivers/windmills/sailboats/caves etc.

Items can be dropped into the school office or given directly to Mrs Garner



## School Activity Clubs Summer 2025

When	Where	Who	What	With Whom
Monday 3.15 - 4.15pm	Library	Years 3-6	<b>CLUB FULLY BOOKED</b> Craft Club 8 spaces max	Miss Bates
Tuesday <b>Lunchtime</b> 12.15-12.45pm	Hedgemoor	Years 1-2	Construction Club 8 spaces max	Miss Neal
Thursday <b>Lunchtime</b> 12.15-12.45pm	Hedgemoor	All Years	Hobbies Club (Pokémon Cards / Football Cards / Lego)	Mrs Yeo
Thursday 3.15 - 4.15pm <b>No club on the following dates:</b> <b>22nd May</b> <b>19th June</b>	TVCH	Years 2-6	<b>CLUB FULLY BOOKED</b> Football Club <b>2 volunteers required per session</b>	Mr Statham Mr McClay
Thursday Gardening Club 3.15 - 4.15pm <b>Club running on the following dates:</b> <b>May = 1st, 15th</b> <b>June = 5th, 19th</b> <b>July = 3rd</b>	School	Years 1-6	Gardening Club 12 spaces max	Lucy Henderson Mrs Chartres Mary Roe

To book a club please follow the link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/m5UCaLAe04>

## Autumn Term 2024

### September

Thu 5 First day of term  
 Wed 11 - Fri 13 Bowden Residential  
 Wed 18 School Photo

### October

Wed 9 (9am) Parent Forum  
 Fri 11 (1pm) Scarecrow making afternoon  
 Fri 18 (2pm) Harvest Festival at the church  
 Tue 22 PE Impact Day  
 Wed 23 PTFA Autumn Disco  
 Mon 28 - Fri 1 Nov Half Term

### November

Tue 5 Teign Valley Fireworks  
 Tue 19 Parents Evening  
 Wed 20 (9am) Parent Forum  
 Wed 20 Parents Evening

### December

Tue 3 PE Impact Day  
 Wed 11 (9.30am) EY/ KS1 Nativity  
 Wed 11 (2pm) EY/ KS1 Nativity  
 Mon 16 (2pm) KS2 Carol Service at the church  
 Wed 18 Christmas Dinner  
 Thu 19 PTFA Christmas Fayre  
 Fri 20 (9am) Governors Assembly  
 Fri 20 Last day of term

We will endeavour to keep all dates for 2024/25 as scheduled, but if changes are needed parents will be informed as early as possible.

## Calendar Dates 2024/25

### Christow Community Primary School

### Spring Term 2025

#### January

Mon 6 First day of term  
 Wed 22 (9am) Parent Forum

#### February

Thu 13 PTFA Friendship Disco  
 Mon 17 - Fri 22 Half Term

#### March

Tue 4 Parents Evening  
 Wed 5 Parents Evening  
 Thu 6 World Book Day  
 Tue 11 PE Impact Day  
 Wed 19 (9am) Parent Forum

#### April

Wed 2 PTFA Easter Egg Hunt

#### Baby & Toddler Every THURSDAY (all year) School Hall, 8.40am—11.00am

### Summer Term 2025

#### April

Tue 22 First day of term

#### May

Mon 12 - Thu 15 Year 6 SATS  
 Wed 21 (9am) Parent Forum  
 Mon 26 - Fri 30 Half Term

#### June

Mon 2 Year 4 Multiplication Check  
 Mon 9 Year 1 Phonics Screening Check  
 Thu 19 (1pm) Pre-School Sports Day  
 Fri 20 (1pm) Sports Day

#### July

Wed 2 (9am) Parent Forum  
 Fri 11 PTFA Summer Fayre  
 Wed 16 KS2 Production  
 Fri 18 (9am) Year 6 Leavers Assembly  
 Fri 18 (2.15pm) Governors Assembly  
 Fri 18 Last day of term



# THE VALLEY BASH!

FRI 2ND MAY  
6pm til Late

Beer Festival opening night featuring:

## Electric Spank

plus warm up act

Tickets £15. Scan QR code to buy tickets online

All ticket proceeds going to Christow, Doddiscombsleigh, Dunsford & Hennock PTFA's

Buy



Tickets

IN THE FIELD @ THE TEIGN HOUSE INN  
Food vans from 6pm. Band from 8pm

# Teign Valley Players Presents MURDERED TO DEATH

An hilarious take on Agatha Christie's Miss Marple murder mysteries

by Peter Gordon

Teign Valley Community Hall

22 - 24 May 2025

7:30pm



Tickets: [www.teignvalleyplayers.uk](http://www.teignvalleyplayers.uk)  
Tel/in person: The Teign House Inn 01647 252286

# SAVE OUR TEIGN VALLEY SCOUTS

With the unavoidable loss of three key volunteers this summer we have reached a critical stage in our appeal to maintain our popular organisation.

## GROUP ASSISTANT LEADERS

Help run a group once a term week, we need adult leaders most urgently

## GROUP ADMIN

Are you a parent or grandparent with a couple of hours spare a week to keep our systems administration up to date?

## GROUP CHAIR

We need a wise head to help run our meets about two or three times a year only



Contact [secretary.teignvalleyscouts@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.teignvalleyscouts@gmail.com)  
or call 07891 480052 for more information

# TVCH FIELD CHRISTOW

ALL WELCOME, JOIN US FOR  
A BYO PICNIC AND GAMES

