



CHRISTOW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Date: 15/05/26

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been an incredibly important milestone for our Year 6 children as they completed their SATs tests. We could not be prouder of the resilience, determination and positive attitudes they demonstrated throughout the week. The children approached each paper with maturity and confidence, showing perseverance even when faced with challenge. They have worked exceptionally hard all year and truly gave their very best effort. Well done, Year 6, you are super stars!

A huge thank you must also go to parents for the support and encouragement you have provided at home. Your positivity and reassurance have made a real difference to the children's confidence and wellbeing this week. I would like to thank Rachel G and all the volunteers who came in to school early to support with SATs breakfast. From pancakes, cheese toasties, bacon sandwiches and a hot chocolate station; helping the children to start each morning feeling calm, prepared and ready for success.

We are also very grateful to the PTFA for continuing the much-loved tradition of SATs doughnuts! The treats were thoroughly enjoyed and certainly helped celebrate the end of a busy week

Elsewhere in school, we had a very unexpected visitor to Bowden class this week! Billy the Seagull caused great excitement — and plenty of laughter — during a music lesson when he repeatedly tapped on the classroom window. The children were highly entertained by his antics and it certainly became a memorable moment of the week.

A reminder to families about healthy snacks at break time. Please ensure children bring healthy options such as fruit, vegetables, cheese or yoghurt. Crisps, chocolate and sweets are not permitted as break-time snacks. Any unhealthy snacks brought into school will be removed and returned to parents/carers at the end of the school day. We appreciate your support in helping us to promote healthy lifestyles and positive eating habits across the school. Please also take time to read the information below regarding oral health and the importance of establishing strong dental hygiene routines for children.



*Thank you for your continued support
Have a wonderful weekend. Mrs Yeo and the Christow Team.*

Attendance

Reception	99%
Year 1	82.7%
Year 2	95.8%
Year 3	81.7%
Year 4	100%
Year 5	79.3%
Year 6	94.8%

Well done Year 4!

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

93.7%

'Good' attendance is 97% or above.

Safeguarding Officers



Mrs Yeo Mrs Hill

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 15th May 2026

Headteacher's Award for "Star of the week"

Year 6s Evie (Y1)



Piece of the Week

Haldon: Felix

Hedgemoor: Thea

Kennick: George

Bowden: Theo



Value of the Week:

Haldon: Martha

Hedgemoor: Leo

Kennick: Whole Class

Bowden: Ariela

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 19th May	Stover Cross Country Event
Wednesday 20th May	Haldon's Trip to Teignmouth
Monday 25th to Friday 29th May	Half Term
Monday 1st June	Year 6 Bikeability Week
Tuesday 9th June	Hedgemoor's Trip to Coldharbour Mill
Tuesday 9th June	6pm School Music Concert
Wednesday 17th June	7.30pm PTFA Meeting at The Artichoke Inn
Saturday 20th June	1pm Cathedral Singing Event
Wednesday 24th June	1.30pm Preschool Sports Day
Friday 26th June (NEW DATE)	1pm Sports Day at TVCH

Gardening Club

This week Gardening Club harvested their first produce from the school garden. The very enthusiastic gardeners loved making the colourful herby mix with chive and borage flowers, fennel, baby chard and lots of different salads leaves.

Hayley will make good use of the produce, serving the yummy salad with the lunches.

A huge thank you to Lucy Henderson, Mary Roe and all the keen gardeners!



The Teign Valley Bash

At the beginning of the month the local community got together for the Teign Valley Bash. The support for the event was fantastic and an amazing £2400 was raised! The proceeds have been donated to the PTFA's of the local schools, including Christow.

**THANK
YOU!**



Year 6 Super Stars



Performance Poetry

Year 5 enjoyed sharing their Jabberwocky poems with Mr Shanks on Thursday.

Let's talk

The Let's Talk Project aims to empower parents and carers by raising awareness of community safety risks and challenges faced by young people. It is a free resource which has already reached nearly 10,000 people - www.letstalksaferfamilies.org

There are several upcoming events for varying age groups, you can sign up to these webinars via the links below:

[Let's Talk Primary - Let's Talk Safer Families](#)

Tuesday, 2 June 2026 19:00
Tuesday, 9 June 2026 19:00
Tuesday, 16 June 2026 19:00

[Let's Talk Pre-Teens - Let's Talk Safer Families](#)

Tuesday, 23 June 2026 19:00
Tuesday, 30 June 2026 19:00
Tuesday, 7 July 2026 19:00

[Let's Talk Teenagers - Let's Talk Safer Families](#)

Tuesday, 5 May 2026 19:00
Tuesday, 12 May 2026 19:00
Tuesday, 19 May 2026 19:00

Breakfast Club and ASC Information

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs Monday - Friday from 7:45am. The club includes a delicious breakfast and fun activities for the children to enjoy.

Session Times	Price	Booking Information
From 7.45am	£3.50 per session per child	Booking required for all sessions. Please book by calling or emailing the office 24 hours before the required session.

After School Club (ASC)

ASC runs Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. The club includes an health snack and a timetable of exciting activities.

Session Times	Price	Booking Information
SESSION 1 3:15-4:30pm	£5 per session per child	Booking required for all sessions. Please book by calling or emailing the office before 1pm on the required day , stating which session is required.
SESSION 2 3:15-6pm	£9 per session per child (reduced rate of £8 per additional sibling when attending 3:10-6pm session).	

After School Club (ASC) Activities Guide

Summer Term – 2nd Half

Date	ASC Activities
Monday 1 st June	Gymnastics
Tuesday 2 nd June	Friendship Bracelets / Finger Knitting
Thursday 4 th June	Art Night
Monday 8 th June	Making Oobleck
Tuesday 9 th June	Board Games
Thursday 11 th June	Puzzle night
Monday 15 th June	Party Games
Tuesday 16 th June	Making Oobleck
Thursday 18 th June	Forest School
Monday 22 nd June	Lego Night
Tuesday 23 rd June	Uno Night
Thursday 25 th June	Football
Monday 29 th June	Chess Night
Tuesday 30 th June	Scooter Night Bring your scooters/skateboards/skates, knee and elbow pads
Thursday 2 nd July	Making Oobleck
Monday 6 th July	Hama Bead Art
Tuesday 7 th July	Forest School
Thursday 9 th July	Gymnastics
Monday 13 July	Art Night
Tuesday 14 th July	Water Fight (weather permitting) - bring goggles, water guns, old clothes, towel and spare dry clothes
Thursday 16 th July	Movie Night – Movie TBC

Teign Community Hub



You are invited to join us on 19th May
for a workshop focused on
equitable access to local SEN services.

We will welcome DiAS, who will deliver a workshop
focused on equitable access to local services for

DiAS

for parents/carers and
students. They will also be
available to answer questions
regarding ASC/ADHD referrals, EHCP applications,
and other SEND-related support.

Book your place
today



Where: Teign 6th Form School
Date: Tuesday 19th May
Time: 5pm to 6.30pm

Email: TeignCommunityHub@educationsouthwest.org.uk
www.ticketsource.co.uk/teigncommunitysupporthub



Teign Community Hub Citizen Advice Drop In Clinic



Book a slot at our
Citizen Advice Weekly Drop In Clinic
Every Thursday 3.30-4.30pm

Open to everyone in the community, our Citizen
Advice Clinic is here to help those who need it
with practical advice you can really trust.

Citizen Advice offer free confidential support
about benefits, money, housing, employment,
family issues & more

Book your slot with Abby Read from Citizens Advice on
our Teign Community Hub booking portal



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Teignbridge

www.citizensadvice.teignbridge.org.uk

www.ticketsource.co.uk/teigncommunitysupporthub

Email: TeignCommunityHub@educationsouthwest.org.uk



PTFA UPDATE

This term your PTFA has helped with the following:

- Funded pre-school furniture and wooden toys
- Paid for the school hall piano to be tuned
- Partially funded Art Week
- Bought new books for the library
- Subsidised the Eden Project trip for year 3 and 4
- Bought STEM toys for Hedgemoor and outdoor toys for the decking
- Provided refreshments at the Colour Run
- Organised the Easter Egg hunt
- Supported DYJO on the door and with a raffle
- Provided volunteers for the Valley Bash

If you are interested in finding out more about the
PTFA then you are welcome to join us at our next
meeting on: **Wednesday 17 June at 19.30 at**
The Artichoke Inn



Oral Health Improvement - Supporting Children

We are the Oral Health Improvement Team – based in the Community Dental Service in Heavitree Hospital. We are hosting **free** virtual Oral Health Improvement training sessions this year aimed at parents, teachers, carers, foster carers and anyone who lives with, works with or enables **children of all ages**.

Here are the details of the next online training session:

When: Tuesday **2nd June** 2026 at **6:30pm - 8:00pm**

What: **Oral Health Improvement Training** – Supporting Children

Where: **Microsoft Teams**

Learning Outcomes:

- Recognise how good oral health contributes to overall health and wellbeing
- Explain the consequences of poor oral health
- Identify the causes, symptoms and ways to prevent tooth decay and gum disease
- Understand the techniques needed to help children maintain good oral hygiene
- Locate the local pathways for accessing dental care



A promotional poster for 'Oral Health Improvement' training. The background is a light teal color. At the top left, there is a white circle with the word 'FREE' in yellow, bold, sans-serif font. To its right, the title 'ORAL HEALTH IMPROVEMENT' is written in large, bold, black, sans-serif font. Below the title, in a smaller white font, is the text 'Providing training to care givers responsible for the oral health of children of all ages.' In the top right corner, there are two logos: the NHS logo and the Devon County Council logo. Below the title, on the left, is a white rounded rectangle containing the text 'Supporting Children with their Oral Health' in bold, followed by 'Aimed at parents, teachers, carers and anyone who supports children of all ages'. Below this text is a yellow button with a hand icon and the text 'CLICK HERE TO BOOK'. To the right of this box is a QR code with the text 'SCAN ME' above it. Below the QR code is a large, realistic 3D rendering of a white tooth. At the bottom left, there is a white telephone handset icon inside a circle, followed by the text 'Contact Us', '01392 405705', 'rduh.oralhealtheducation@nhs.net', and 'www.royaldevon.nhs.uk/dental'.

FREE **ORAL HEALTH IMPROVEMENT**

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ONLINE TRAINING

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Teign School

OPEN DAYS

Summer 2026

Tuesday 23rd June
Thursday 25th June
Monday 29th June
Wednesday 8th July

9.30am to 11am

Book your place here



Tel: 01626 366969

Email: admissions@teignschool.org.uk

www.teignschool.org.uk - Chudleigh Road, Kingsteignton TQ12 3JG



Autumn Term 2025

September

Thu 4 First day of term
Wed 16 Bowden PE Impact Day
Fri 19 School Photos
Wed 24 - Fri 26 Bowden Residential
Tue 30 Flu Vaccinations

October

Fri 10 (1pm) Scarecrow making afternoon
Fri 17 (2pm) Harvest Festival at the church
Fri 17 PTFA Autumn Disco
Mon 27 - Fri 31 **Half Term**

November

Wed 5 Teign Valley Fireworks (TVCH)
Mon 17 Parents Evening
Wed 19 Parents Evening

December

Wed 10 (9.30am) EY/KS1 Nativity (school hall)
Wed 10 (2pm) EY/KS1 Nativity (school hall)
Mon 15 (2pm) KS2 Carol Service at the church
Wed 17 Christmas Dinner
Thu 18 (3.15pm) PTFA Christmas Fayre
Fri 19 (9am) Governors Assembly
Fri 19 Last day of term

Parent Forums will be held every half term (dates to be confirmed).

Our SENCO, Emily Risby, will be in school every other Monday.

Calendar Dates 2025/26 Christow Community Primary School

Spring Term 2026

January

Mon 5 First day of term

February

Fri 13 PTFA Friendship Disco
Mon 16 - Fri 20 **Half Term**

March

Wed 4 Parents Evening
Thu 5 Parents Evening
Thu 5 World Book Day

April

Wed 1 PTFA Easter Egg Hunt
Thurs 2 (9am) Governors Assembly
Thurs 2 Last day of term

Baby & Toddler

Every **WEDNESDAY** (all year)
School Hall, 9am

Summer Term 2026

April

Mon 20 First day of term

May

Mon 11 - Thu 14 Year 6 SATS
Mon 25 - Fri 29 **Half Term**

June

Mon 1 Year 4 Multiplication Check
Mon 8 Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
Tues 9 (6pm) Music Concert
Wed 24 (1.30pm) Preschool Sports Day
Fri 26 Leavers Disco

July

Fri 3 (1pm) Sports Day (TVCH)
Fri 10 PTFA Summer Fayre
Wed 15 KS2 Production (TVCH)
Fri 17 (9am) Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Fri 17 (2pm) Governors' Assembly
Fri 17 Last day of term

We will endeavour to keep all dates for 2025/26 as scheduled, but if changes are needed parents will be informed.

