



CHRISTOW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Date: 19/12/25

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we draw to the end of a busy and joyful term, it has been wonderful to pause and celebrate the true spirit of Christmas with our school community.

On Monday, KS2 filled the church with music and magic at our Carol Service. The children performed beautifully, and the atmosphere was truly special. From the infectious energy of *Rocking Rudolph* to the calm reverence of candlelit singing, every moment showcased the children's talent and enthusiasm. Our flautists played with confidence and skill, the Bright Star shone brilliantly, and the choral singing was uplifting and heartfelt. It was a reminder of just how talented our children are and how powerfully their performances lift our Christmas spirits.

On Thursday, Bowden class travelled to Teign School to watch *Beauty and the Beast*. The children were captivated by the performance and especially excited to see former Christow pupils on stage. One parent shared how their child's experience performing in the Christow summer show had given them the confidence to continue their love of acting into secondary school — a lovely reminder of the lasting impact these opportunities can have.

Later that afternoon, we braved the weather and walked (or perhaps swam!) to the church for our Christingle Service, led by Reverend Ruth. The children sang with real gusto, and it was a poignant moment as our Year 6 pupils lit their candles, marking another milestone in their primary school journey.

A huge thank you goes to the PTFA for organising such a fantastic Christmas Fayre. The stalls, cakes, raffle, Santa's grotto, cheeky Christmas elves and Year 5/6 games created a wonderful buzz and brought everyone together. We are also incredibly proud of our School Council, who sold handmade crafts with 50% of their profits to ShelterBox, helping those less fortunate this Christmas.

Finally, thank you to our families for your continued support, kindness and generosity throughout the term. We wish you all a peaceful, joyful Christmas and a happy New Year. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for 2026.

Wishing you a wonderful festive holiday
Mrs Yeo and the Christow Team

Attendance

| | |
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| Reception | 90.1 % |
| Year 1 | 81.2 % |
| Year 2 | 94.3 % |
| Year 3 | 89.4 % |
| Year 4 | 100 % |
| Year 5 | 96.3 % |
| Year 6 | 95.8 % |

Well done

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

94.3 %

'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



Dates for your diary

Monday 5th January

First day of the Spring term

Thursday 15th January

Primary School Application Deadline

Monday 26th January

Warp Around Care for Nursery Opens



Governors' Assembly Awards



Visions and Values Awards

Care: Joe(Y6)

Commitment: Miya (Y6)

Cooperation: Ariela (Y5)

Compassion: Ernie (Y6)

Consideration: Tabitha (Y4)

Progress Awards

Reception: Alfie

Year 1: Pippa

Year 2: Leo

Year 3: Robin

Year 4: Robyn

Year 5: Archie

Year 6: Olive



Hayley's Kitchen Award

Tristan and Evie (Y3)





Friday Pre-Loved Uniform Sale



Browse our **Preloved Uniform Sale** which runs every **Friday at pick-up time** in the **gazebo**. The sale is weather dependant, so the sale will not run when the weather is unsettled.

Suggested Donations:

- £2 per Christow School jumper
- £1 for other items

We accept **cash or card** – all proceeds to go the PTFA.

Grab a bargain & reduce waste.



Christmas Lunch

Huge thank you to Hayley for cooking and serving 89 delicious Christmas dinners!



PTFA Christmas Fayre



Huge thank you to the PTFA and helpers group for organising a wonderful Christmas Fayre.

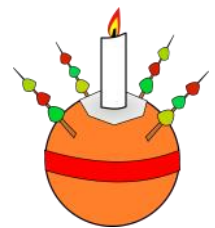




KS2 Christmas Carol Service



Christingle



WRAP AROUND CARE

FOR NURSERY AGED CHILDREN
CHRISTOW PRIMARY SCHOOL

BREAKFAST CLUB

From 7.45am every day

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

until 4.30pm on Monday, Tuesday & Thursday



STARTING week beginning 26th January

reception@christowprimary.org.uk

01647 252542



To register interest please contact to the school

After School Club (ASC) Activities Guide

Spring Term – 1st Half

| Date | ASC Activities |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Monday 5 th January | Lego Night |
| Tuesday 6 th January | Gymnastics |
| Thursday 8 th January | Finger Loop Knitting / Finger Knitting |
| Monday 12 th January | Board Games Night |
| Tuesday 13 th January | Hama Bead Art |
| Thursday 15 th January | Origami Night |
| Monday 19 th January | Puzzles Night |
| Tuesday 20 th January | Birthday Games |
| Thursday 22 nd January | Uno Night |
| Monday 26 th January | Art Night |
| Tuesday 27 th January | Making Paper Aeroplanes – 5-6pm DofE Student Activity |
| Thursday 29 th January | Chocolate Night |
| Monday 2 nd February | Chess Night |
| Tuesday 3 rd February | Activity TBC – 5-6pm DofE Student Activity |
| Thursday 5 th February | Monopoly Night |
| Monday 9 th February | Gymnastics |
| Tuesday 10 th February | Football – weather permitting |
| Thursday 12 th February | Movie Night – Ice Age 3 |



CHRISTOW TODDLER GROUP

EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING



CHRISTOW
SCHOOL
HALL
9-11AM

TEA/COFFEE & CAKE
BABIES FREE
12 MONTHS PLUS £2.50



COME FOR A FUN
SOCIAL MORNING WITH
ACTIVITIES, SONGS AND
STORIES FOR YOUR LITTLE ONES

Apply for a primary school place

Was your child born
between 1 September 2021
and 31 August 2022?



Apply online at:

devon.cc/admissionsonline

or scan the QR code. Applications open from
15 November 2025 to the 15 January 2026

If you can't access the school
admissions website you can get
more information by emailing
admissions@devon.gov.uk or
call our Education Helpline on:

0345 155 1019



You must apply through the Admissions
Team, even if you've already given details
to a school. Applications made directly to
schools or on their lists will not be accepted.



DEVON YOUTH
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ORCHESTRA

CHRISTOW PTFA BRINGS
THE FABULOUS DYJO TO THE
**TEIGN VALLEY
COMMUNITY HALL**

FRIDAY MARCH 13TH 2026
DOORS OPEN 19.00
SHOW STARTS 19:30

TICKETS Adults £8, Students & Children £4
AVAILABLE ON THE DOOR



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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

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.

Baby & Toddler
Every WEDNESDAY (all year)
School Hall, 9am

