



CHRISTOW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Date: 22/05/26

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow — what a jam-packed week we have had!

On Tuesday, KS2 children travelled to Stover to take part in a Cross Country Event. The children showed fantastic determination, resilience and sportsmanship throughout the day, and we were incredibly proud to bring home four medals. Well done to everyone who took part and represented the school so brilliantly. A huge thank you also goes to Mrs Hill and Lex for supporting the trip and helping make the event such a success.

Kennick Class enjoyed the opportunity to learn golf with Mr Wylie. The children have loved developing new skills and practising their coordination, concentration and teamwork. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and confidence grow during the session.

On Wednesday, Haldon Class visited Teignmouth Museum. The children thoroughly enjoyed exploring the exhibits and discovering more about local history. The trip was made even more special with ice creams enjoyed on the beach in the sunshine! Thank you very much to Paula and Janine for accompanying the visit and supporting the children throughout the day.

As we approach half term I need inform you that Mr. Farwell is leaving Christow Primary School. I would like to thank Mr. Farwell for the work he has done over the last two and a half terms in supporting the children at Christow, and we wish him well for the future. A letter with further information about teaching arrangements has been sent to you today.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to all of the staff for their commitment, hard work and dedication over this term. The school is such a special place because of the care, energy and enthusiasm they bring each and every day. Their support for the children and wider school community is greatly appreciated, and I feel incredibly proud to work alongside such a dedicated team.

We would like to wish all of our families a very happy and restful half term break. We hope you enjoy spending time together and hopefully making the most of some sunshine. We are already looking forward to welcoming everyone back for what promises to be a fun-filled and exciting final half term of the academic year, with lots of special events and opportunities ahead for the children.

*Thank you for your continued support
Mrs Yeo and the Christow Team.*

Attendance

Reception	96.6%
Year 1	98.3%
Year 2	93.5%
Year 3	81.6%
Year 4	98.3%
Year 5	85.9%
Year 6	96.3%

Well done

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

93.6%

'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 22nd May 2026

Headteacher's Award for "Star of the week"

Elsie (Y4) Ophelia Otie



Piece of the Week

Haldon: Otie

Hedgemoor: Angus

Kennick: Thea

Bowden: Eva



Value of the Week:

Haldon: Lois

Hedgemoor: Elodie

Kennick: Wren

Bowden: Jessie

Dates for your Diary

Monday 25th to Friday 29th May	Half Term
Monday 1st June	Year 6 Bikeability Week
Wednesday 3rd June	3.15pm Forest School Fun
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
Thursday 25th June	KS2 Theatre Trip
Friday 26th June (NEW DATE)	1pm Sports Day at TVCH
Monday 3rd July	Leavers' Disco

Pupil Fundraiser

On Friday 22nd May Lily (Y6) is taking part in a fundraiser for Alport UK. Lily will be undertaking four back-to-back hour long trampolining sessions to raise awareness and vital funds for Alport UK.

To find out more or to donate, please follow the link below:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/lily-jeffrey?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

Pokémon Cards and Fidgets

Please ensure Pokémon cards are not being brought into school as there is no staff-led club running. We are aware that certain cards are worth quite a bit of money and we cannot oversee fair trades.

Please use half term as an opportunity to support your child in ensuring they are not bringing any other items from home to school. Please be reminded that your child should not have any fidgets or other items unless agreed by the class teacher. They should have ONE pre-approved.

Thank you for your help with this



Arena & Dartmoor School Sport Partnership

KS2 Cross Country Competition & Fun Run
Tuesday 19th May 2026 at Stover School



What an EPIC morning at our KS2 Cross Country event!

Across four races — Year 3/4 girls & boys and Year 5/6 girls & boys — plus a fantastic Fun Run to finish, an incredible 344 pupils from ten of our partnership schools took part!

Despite the summer rain showers, the atmosphere was amazing, with brilliant parent support and pupils showing fantastic resilience, determination and encouragement for one another throughout the morning. We are so proud of every single participant for giving their best effort.

A huge thank you to the staff and students at Stover School for being outstanding hosts — supporting with car parking, course marshalling and setting out the course. We truly couldn't do it without you!

Thank you also to all school staff for organising pupils and families to access such a wonderful opportunity.

Events like this remind us just how powerful school sport can be!

	Yr 3/4 Girls 79 runners	Yr 3/4 Boys 96 runners
1 st	Chloe R (Christow)	Rupert H (Christow)
2 nd	Florence R (Christow)	Luca G (Canada Hill)
3 rd	Laila G (Cockwood)	Oscar T (Wolborough)

Year	School
3&4	
1 st	Chudleigh
2 nd	Canada Hill
3 rd	Bradley Barton
4 th	Buckfastleigh
5 th	Christow
6 th	Wolborough
7 th	Kingsteignton
8 th	Rydon

Year	School
5&6	
1 st	Chudleigh
2 nd	Stover
3 rd	Buckfastleigh
4 th	Canada Hill
5 th	Christow
6 th	Bradley Barton
7 th	Rydon
8 th	Kingsteignton
9 th	Wolborough

	Yr 5/6 Girls 85 runners	Yr 5/6 Boys 84 runners
1 st	Georgia (Stover)	Louis S (Chudleigh)
2 nd	Katie H (Bradley Barton)	Freddie S (Chudleigh)
3 rd	Bella R (Christow)	Charlie (Stover)



WELL DONE EVERYONE!
KEEP ON RUNNING!

(** Cockwood — 1 runner that came 3rd)



Haldon go to the Seaside

We had a wonderful time in Teignmouth today. Playing on the beach, looking at old and new elements of Teignmouth and a visit to the museum were all a big hit!



Kennick learn Golf

Thank you to Mr Wylie for teaching us how to use our new golf kit. It was great to try something new and demonstrate our resilience and team work.



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

Please see below for wraparound clubs 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
<u>SESSION 1</u> 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.
<u>SESSION 2</u> 3:15-6pm	£9 per session per child (reduced rate of £8 per additional sibling when attending 3:10-6pm session).	



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**



The Fidget Project CIC

The Fidget Project

How do you feel about waiting?

It's one of the experiences that occurs repeatedly for parents of children with Sensory Processing Differences.

Every morning we wait.

Getting ready for school is full of waiting: getting your child-out of bed, having something to eat, washing, brushing teeth, getting dressed, putting shoes on, wearing an outdoor jacket...

Each one of these every day events has its own challenges, that can result in return to bed or upset or refusal or anger or storming off or meltdown .

WAITING

Waiting to understand why

Waiting to see someone who might help (GP, Health visitor, OT)

Waiting on a diagnostic pathway (3 + years)

Waiting for an assessment result

Waiting for a DLA (disability living allowance) decision

Waiting for the teacher to see what you see

Waiting for an EHCP

Waiting for local authority support

Waiting for a place in Alternative Provision.....

Waiting is always hard... and when you don't know the outcome and you're stuck in a painful situation, even harder.

This is why The Fidget Project was created.

To be a safe haven of support

To accompany

To be there with advice, information, resources

To provide access to specialists.

Whatever your situation, one of us is likely to have been there or know others who have.

Come and be with us on Friday 22nd May from 9.15 -11.30 at the Kingsbridge Hub, TQ7 1NL

For 2 hours: be right where you are. No waiting.

A vibrant, hand-drawn illustration of a forest scene. At the top, a large tree trunk is on the left with a small wooden birdhouse and an orange butterfly. A blue tit bird is perched on a branch on the right. The background is filled with green foliage and trees. The title 'Forest School Fun' is prominently displayed in the center. Below it, a green banner contains the event details. A dashed box highlights the date and time. At the bottom, a wooden table holds a campfire, a cup of pencils, a small easel with a leaf, a blue mug, and s'mores. On the right, a wooden signpost has three directional signs: 'Explore', 'Learn', and 'Grow' with a heart symbol.

Forest School Fun

Come and help us celebrate
the opening of our
wonderful new decking!



Wednesday 3rd June
3:15–4:30pm

Fire, craft and food for all!

Explore

Learn

Grow
♥



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.

