



# CHRISTOW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Date: 10/10/25

## NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another busy and rewarding week at Christow Primary, full of teamwork, creativity, and fantastic learning experiences both in and out of the classroom.

### Football Success and Sportsmanship

Last Friday, our Year 5 and 6 football teams took on Rydon Primary School in what proved to be two exciting matches. The boys' team played superbly, showing great teamwork and determination to win 3–0. The girls' team faced a very strong Rydon side and, despite a 4–0 loss, showed incredible perseverance, encouragement for one another, and true team spirit throughout. We are extremely proud of both teams for representing Christow with such enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Thank you to Mr Farwell for coaching the team and to Jeremy for driving them to the match.

### Whippletree Farm Visits

This week, several classes enjoyed wonderful outdoor learning experiences at Whippletree Farm. The children had the opportunity to get hands-on with nature—making clay animals, harvesting vegetables and even blending their own smoothies! These sessions offered valuable opportunities to learn about sustainability, healthy eating, and caring for the environment in a fun, memorable way. Many thanks to Lucy, Sam and Charlie who made these visits possible.

### Trust Leadership Visit

On Thursday, we were delighted to welcome leaders from within Education South West to our school. They visited classrooms across all year groups and were incredibly impressed by our pupils' positive attitudes, polite manners, and excellent behaviours for learning. They commented particularly on how focused, respectful, and curious our children were—true ambassadors for Christow's values.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We wish everyone a restful weekend and look forward to another exciting week of learning ahead

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Yeo and the Christow Team

### Attendance

Reception	94.2%
Year 1	97.1%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	96.4%
Year 4	97.9%
Year 5	95%
Year 6	92.3%

### Well done

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

**95.5 %**

'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 10th October 2025

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

Albie

Maya



### Piece of the Week

**Haldon:** Tristan

**Hedgemoor:** Josh

**Kennick:** Florence

**Bowden:** Henry



### Value of the Week:

**Haldon:** Willow

**Hedgemoor:** Clem

**Kennick:** Wren

**Bowden:** Belle

## Dates for your diary

<b>Monday 13th October</b>	Year 6 Whipple Tree Farm Visit
<b>Wednesday 15th October</b>	3.15-4.30pm Bowden Franken-Teddy Workshop
<b>Friday 17th October</b>	2pm Harvest Festival at the church
<b>Friday 17th October</b>	Halloween Disco
<b>Monday 20th October</b>	Haldon Parent Meeting with Mrs Fielder
<b>Wednesday 22nd October</b>	3.15-4.30pm Kennick Franken-Teddy Workshop
<b>Thursday 23rd October</b>	Haldon Parent Meeting with Mrs Hill
<b>Monday 7th - Friday 31st October</b>	Half Term
<b>Friday 31st October</b>	Secondary School Application Deadline

## CAN YOU HELP US? - volunteers needed

Teachers work incredibly hard and it can be difficult to facilitate activities after school. We would like to enhance the clubs available to our children.

Do you, or someone you know, have hobby, talent or profession which may allow you offer extra curricular opportunities to our children? This could be weekly after school, a lunch time club or a one off event.

**Yoga      Sewing      Craft      Sport      Dance**  
**Lego      Gardening      Drama      Cooking**

If you think you may be able to help please speak to Mrs Fleming in the school office for more information 01647 252542

## Pre-Loved Uniform Sale—Every Friday!!

Browse our **Preloved Uniform Sale** every **Friday at pick-up time** in the **gazebo**.

### 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.





## Whipple Tree Farm



## Football Victory



# WOULD YOU LIKE TO WORK AT OUR LOVELY VILLAGE SCHOOL?

## Christow School Cleaner Vacancy

**15 hours per week, 41 weeks per year**

**£12.65 per hour, permanent post**

Christow Community Primary School is seeking to appoint a cleaner to assist with maintaining a high standard of cleanliness and presentation throughout the school. The main duties of the role are vacuuming, mopping, dusting and cleaning communal areas. Previous cleaning experience an advantage but not essential. You may be required from time to time to work in other schools within the Trust.

As an employee of Education South West you will be entitled to the following benefits: access to the Trust's Employment Assistance Programme, Company Pension scheme, and free on-site parking

Christow Community Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

References will be taken up for all shortlisted applicants, and the successful candidate will be subject to an Enhanced DBS Disclosure and other employment checks.

### **Closing date: 9am, 24th October 2025**

For more information about the post, please contact Emma Hutchings on: 01548 852641 ext 2569 or to apply for the role, please email your CV (or use the application form) to [Emma.hutchings@educationsouthwest.org.uk](mailto:Emma.hutchings@educationsouthwest.org.uk)

*Education South West is committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of children. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post. This includes checks with past employers, an online check of publicly available information, including social media, and an enhanced disclosure via the Disclosure and Barring Service*

Job Type: Part-time

Work Location: In person



YOU ARE INVITED TO THE  
CHRISTOW PTFA

# HALLOWEEN DISCO!

OCTOBER

Friday

17

School hall

Preschool & KS1 - 4-4:45pm

KS2 - 5-6pm

£2 entry



## 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



## TEIGN VALLEY FIREWORKS

GATES OPEN AT 6:30PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE IN ADVANCE ONLY  
ON TICKET TAILOR

**FOOD, DRINK AND MORE!**

**WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 5TH**

**@ TEIGN VALLEY PLAYING FIELDS!**



## SAVE THE DATE! CHRISTMAS FAMILY CEILIDH NIGHT with Lady Luck and the Fortunes

Saturday 6th December at Teign Valley Community Hall 6:00pm – 10:00pm

### Evening Plan

- 6:00pm: Arrivals & Bar Open
- 6:30–7:30: Yee-haw dancing with Lady Luck and the Fortunes!
- 7:30–8:00: Hotdog supper (veggie option available)
- 8:00–9:00: More toe-tapping ceilidh fun
- 9:00–10:00: Festive family disco — cowboy hats encouraged!

### Tickets

£10 per adult / £5 per child / £25 family ticket (2 adults + 2 children) / On the door: £12 adults / £6 children  
Tickets available from school reception and online (details to follow). Hotdog supper included in the ticket price!

### A Fundraiser for the Christow School PTFA!

All proceeds go towards supporting school events, equipment, and enrichment for our children. Please buy your tickets in advance for catering numbers and spread the word to friends and family!

Dress code: Cowboy hats, festive jumpers & dancing boots welcome!

Join us for a holly-jolly hoedown full of live music, laughter, and community cheer!





## 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**

