

29 September 2025

## Dear Parent(s)/ Carer(s)

It's been another full on week at Lapford full of focused learning and a splash of fun too!

Robins have been enjoying their topic of 'People Who Help Us' and have really been making the most of the Doctor's Surgery role play corner. I keep popping in to see the children only to leave with a bandaged head or my arm in a sling!



Our weekly Stay and Play sessions have also started again and it was lovely to welcome some new younger children into our setting. If you know of any families with children aged 0-4, do encourage them to pop along on a Tuesday morning from 9:00 – 10:30am. It's a very friendly group and all are welcome.

It was lovely to be able to welcome families in to school to find out more about how we teach phonics and reading last week. The children love showing off their learning to their adults and it can really help boost their confidence to talk about their learning with an adult. Thank you to all who were able to attend. We are very keen to hold more open events throughout the year so that you can see your children in action in the classroom. We know this can be difficult for working parents so will do our best to alternate days and times. Look out for upcoming events on Dojo.



Our free Breakfast Club is picking up again and it is great to see some new faces joining us at 8:30am for a delicious and nutritious start to the day. Breakfast Club is open to all children in Reception through to Year 6 and is a fabulous way to start the school day.

As well as enjoying a healthy breakfast, children also enjoy some time to socialise and play with their friends or have the chance to catch up on the previous day's news by watching Newsround. Breakfast club can be booked on IRIS ParentMail, up until midnight the day before the required booking. Please see our current menu below:



## Lapford Breakfast Club Menu

### MONDAY

Beans  
on Toast



### TUESDAY

Bagels



### WEDNESDAY

Sausage  
Baps



### THURSDAY

Toasted  
Teacakes



### FRIDAY

Scrambled Eggs  
on Toast



- Toast
- Crumpets
- Selection of Jams & Spreads

- Fresh Fruit
- Yoghurt
- Cereals

- Milk
- Apple Juice
- Orange Juice
- Water

**AVAILABLE EVERY DAY!**

Have a wonderful week.

Mrs Wright



# What's on 29 September - 3 October

Day	What's On	PE	Music Lessons	Clubs
<b>Monday 29 September</b>	9:30 - 12:00pm Open Day for prospective Reception 2026 starters	Herons swimming	Ms Bloch flute lessons	3:30 - 4:30pm Yrs2-6 Handball Club
<b>Tuesday 30 September</b>	9 - 10:30am Stay & Play			
<b>Wednesday 1 October</b>	Black History Month begins			
<b>Thursday 2 October</b>	Kingfishers Forest School Afternoon		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mrs Craddock keyboard &amp; violin lessons</li> <li>• Mr White drum lessons</li> </ul>	
<b>Friday 3 October</b>				

# What's on 6-10 October

Day	What's On	PE	Music Lessons	Clubs
<b>Monday 6 October</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kingfishers to Library</li> <li>• 7:30pm FLS meeting at The Ark</li> </ul>	Herons swimming	Ms Bloch flute lessons	3:30 - 4:30pm Yrs2-6 Handball Club
<b>Tuesday 7 October</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Herons trip to Farmwise</li> <li>• 9 - 10:30am Stay &amp; Play</li> </ul>			
<b>Wednesday 8 October</b>	Harvest Festival			
<b>Thursday 9 October</b>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mrs Craddock keyboard &amp; violin lessons</li> <li>• Mr White drum lessons</li> </ul>	
<b>Friday 10 October</b>				



# Harvest Challenge!

Please join us in making a difference to our local community!

Lapford Primary School invite you to support the children in gathering donations for our Harvest festival next Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

We are looking for any donation, no matter how small or large, to contribute towards a whole school donation for those who need support in our local area. For every box filled, the children will receive Dojo points they can put towards prizes across each half term. The more donations we receive, the more the children will win Dojos!

If you are happy to donate something, please send your child in with their donations to be collected by next Wednesday or leave these in the front desk area.

Any questions please get in touch and we hope you will join us in giving something little to make a big difference.



If we fill 1 box,  
everyone gets  
**+1 Dojo point!**

If we fill 2 boxes,  
everyone gets

**+3 Dojo points!**



If we fill 3 boxes,  
everyone gets  
**+5 WOW Dojo points!**



## What Can I Donate for Harvest?

### TINNED GOODS



### PACKETS & DRY FOODS



### BREAKFAST ITEMS



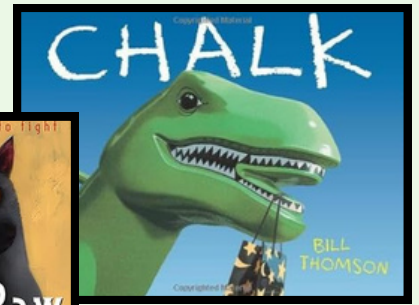
### TOILETRIES



### OTHER LONG-LIFE GOODS



It has been a brilliant start to the year in Herons class! Across the year groups, Herons have been working hard enjoying our new texts, Varjak Paw and Chalk, in English, getting to grips with hands on place value in Maths, exploring our topics on states of matter and properties of materials in Science and uncovering the mysteries of the Ancient Egyptians in History!



We've also had a fantastic Forest School experience, Reading Morning event (thank you to those parents/carers who attended) and we are thoroughly enjoying our swimming lessons with Wendy too!



Coming up, we are looking forward to our workshop event with Farmwise and learning more about the journey our food goes on from farm to plate, a trip to the Exeter recycling plant to link with our Science and lots more!

## Stars of the Week 26 September 2025



**Congratulations to Indy, Harper & Charlie!**

## Lapford Legends 26 September 2025



**Congratulations to Poppy H, Penny & Arthur!**



## JOB ADVERTISEMENT

**Part time, temporary 1:1 Teaching Assistant  
at Chulmleigh Primary School  
25 hours per week x 39 weeks per annum  
Grade C: £13.26 to £13.69 - depending on experience  
Also  
Part time, temporary 1:1 Mealtime Assistant  
5 hours per week x 39 weeks per annum  
Grade A - £12.65  
Required from November 2025**

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, committed, patient and motivated Teaching Assistant to join our support team at Chulmleigh Primary School.

The successful candidate will support the development of a pupil in Year 2 with additional needs. You will be tenacious and committed to supporting the needs and development of the individual pupil whilst being an excellent team player and communicator. Previous experience of working with pupils with different abilities would be an advantage.

The post is temporary and will be subject to the continued attendance of the pupil and/or the result of any special needs or funding review.

Candidates should demonstrate the following skills and attributes:

- ⊙ A good standard of English and Mathematics
- ⊙ Excellent communication skills
- ⊙ Patience and positivity
- ⊙ Support inclusion and be fully committed to ensuring the very best for all our pupils
- ⊙ The ability to support colleagues, use positive behaviour management strategies and ensure the school continues its excellent provision for all pupils

We are pleased to be able to offer the successful candidate an additional role as a Mealtime Assistant. The post involves supervising and providing support for the pupil during the lunch break.

The working pattern within the roles will be:  
Teaching Assistant Monday to Friday 8.45am – 12.15pm and 2pm – 3.30pm  
Mealtime Assistant Monday to Friday 12.15pm to 1.15pm

The working pattern allows for a 45-minute unpaid lunch break. Ideally the successful candidate will be available following the half term break, but we are committed to recruiting the best candidate for the role and have some flexibility.

Employment benefits include eligibility to join the Local Government Pension Scheme. In addition, employees of the Trust are entitled to 50% off childcare fees at our out of school clubs for children of compulsory school age.

We are committed to promoting equality of opportunity and access for all, irrespective of age, background, race, gender, religion, ability, disability, or sexuality. We welcome applications for employment from the whole community.

A full candidate pack has been published to support our recruitment which can be found on our [website](https://www.chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk). Please download and complete the application form and email it to [personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk](mailto:personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk) by 10 am on Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> October 2025. All applications will be acknowledged.

As employers, we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment and in that regard, we have appropriate policies and procedures. All staff undertake a criminal record check via the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and interviews will include questions about safeguarding children.

In line with Government guidance, we may carry out online searches against shortlisted applicants' names as part of our due diligence checks.

Closing date: 10 am Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> October 2025  
Interview date: Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> October 2025



## JOB ADVERTISEMENT East Worlington Primary School Permanent

**Foundation Stage Practitioner  
24 Hours per week x 38 weeks per annum and  
Out of School Club Assistant  
7 Hours per week x 38 weeks per annum  
Grade C: £13.26 - £13.69 per hour - depending on experience  
Required from January 2026**

To support our popular nursery provision, we are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, committed, patient and motivated Foundation Stage Practitioner to join our team at East Worlington Primary School.

The successful candidate will work with the teacher and senior staff to ensure a creative learning environment within the Early Years Foundation Stage framework. The role will involve high quality practice through a range of interesting and stimulating activities and supervision of individuals and groups of children in the nursery or foundation stage unit.

Candidates should demonstrate the following skills and attributes:

- Hold a recognised Level 3 Early Years qualification
- Hold suitable Level 2 Literacy and Numeracy qualifications
- Excellent communication skills
- Patience and positivity
- The ability to support colleagues, use positive behaviour management strategies and ensure the school continues its excellent provision for all pupils

The working pattern will be 4 days per week (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday) 9.00 am – 3.30 pm allowing for a 30-minute unpaid lunch break. Due to the popularity of the new nursery provision the ideal candidate will have flexibility to work additional hours on a casual basis when required.

We are pleased to be able to offer the successful candidate an additional role as Out of School Club Assistant. The successful candidate will work with senior staff to support the day to day running of the Out of School Club covering Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 8.00 – 9.00am and Wednesday and Friday from 3.30 – 5.30pm. The role will provide an opportunity to engage children in a range of activities in a relaxed, safe environment.

Employment benefits include eligibility to join the Local Government Pension Scheme. In addition, employees of the Trust are entitled to 50% off childcare fees at our out of school clubs for children of compulsory school age.

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The candidate pack (including job description) and application form are available on our [website](https://www.chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk). Please download and complete the application form and email it to [personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk](mailto:personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk) by 10 am on Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> October 2025. All applications will be acknowledged.

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Supporters must be 16 years of age or older



# School Lunches

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If you miss this deadline please provide your child with a packed lunch

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**JOB ADVERTISEMENT**

**PERMANENT**

**After School Cleaner**

**CHULMLEIGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
AND  
CHULMLEIGH PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**15 hours per week (3 hours per evening) x 41 weeks per annum  
Available from November 2025**

**Grade A: £12.65 per hour**

Chulmleigh Academy Trust is seeking a motivated and enthusiastic person to join our highly valued, hardworking, and committed premises team.

We have a vacancy to clean the schools outside of the school day. The working pattern is Monday to Friday with timing to be agreed at interview but 3 hours each evening to be between 5 pm and 10 pm. The contract will be for 41 weeks per annum (term time plus three weeks). We are pleased to offer this permanent position, which will be available from November 2025.

Parking is available on site. Employment benefits include eligibility to join the Local Government Pension Scheme. In addition, employees of the Trust are entitled to 50% off childcare fees at our out of school clubs for children of compulsory school age.

Duties will include cleaning, both internally and externally and other tasks that may be designated by the Supervisor.

Further details, including the job description can be found on our [website](#). Please download and complete the application form and email it to [personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk](mailto:personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk) by 10am on Thursday, 9th October. All applications will be acknowledged. Alternatively, please call 01769 580215 to register your interest in the role and we will be pleased to contact you to discuss it further and support you with completing an application.

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**Closing date: 10 am Thursday, 9 October 2025**

**Interview date: Thursday, 16 October 2025**



## HELP YOUR SCHOOL RECEIVE EXTRA FUNDING

**Plus £30 TOP-UP FOR SUCCESSFUL  
NEW APPLICANTS!**

### ARE YOU IN RECEIPT OF ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS?

If you are, please apply online for **FREE SCHOOL MEALS**.

**IT ONLY TAKES A MINUTE TO APPLY**, but your school may receive **EXTRA FUNDING**. Successful **NEW** applications made between **01.07.25 and 01.10.25** will receive a £30 MyEd+Pay account top-up.

**ELIGIBLE BENEFITS:**

- Universal Credit
- Income-based and contribution-based JSA or ESA on an equal basis
- Income Support (IS)
- Income based jobseekers allowance (IBJSA)
- Income-related employment and support allowance (IRESA)
- Child Tax Credit
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

*It takes less than a minute  
to apply.*

Visit: <https://online.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal/LIVE>  
or call the Education Helpline on  
0345 155 1019

### PLEASE LET US KNOW IF A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY IS A **CURRENT** OR **PAST** MEMBER OF **THE ARMED FORCES**

Your school can receive **EXTRA FUNDING** if a parent has served any time in the last 6 years, or is in receipt of pensions under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS) and the War Pensions Scheme (WPS)

### PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE AN **ADOPTED CHILD**, A **RESIDENCE ORDER**, OR A **SPECIAL GUARDIANSHIP ORDER**

Your school can receive **EXTRA FUNDING**.

*If you have any queries, please speak to  
the admin staff at your school.  
Any information shared will be treated  
confidentially.*

## Planning a holiday?

**School Term dates  
for 2025-26 and  
2026-27 can be  
found [here](#)**

JOIN US FOR TEA, CAKE AND CHAT AND MEET YOUR



**The Ark, Monday, October 6th at 7.30pm**

*Last year we were able to fund...*



*What will we be able to achieve this year?*

## CHULMLEIGH ACADEMY TRUST School Terms and Holiday Dates - 2025/2026 Academic Year

	September					October					November					December					January					February										
College Week	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2		1	2	1	2		1	2	1			1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2				
Monday	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	5	12	19	26		
Wednesday	3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	1	8	15	22	29	4	11	18	25	6	13	20	27
Thursday	4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	7	14	21	28	
Friday	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27					

	March					April					May					June					July					August									
College Week	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2		1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	3	4	3	4	3
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Wednesday	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	10	17	24	31								
Thursday	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	11	18	25	31								
Friday	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	31	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	12	19	26	31							

- Bank Holidays** ■
- 25 December 2025
  - 26 December 2025
  - 01 January 2026
  - 03 April 2026 (Good Friday)
  - 06 April 2026 (Easter Monday)
  - 04 May 2026 (May Day)
  - 25 May 2026 (Spring Bank Holiday)
  - 24 August 2026 (Summer Bank Holiday)
- Non-Pupil Days** ■
- Five days selected from within the term dates to be determined by the Board of Directors
- School Holidays** ■
- Occasional Holidays** ■
- Two days selected from within the term dates to be determined by the Board of Directors

PLEASE [CLICK HERE](#) FOR OUR LUNCH ALLERGEN INFORMATION

**FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT SERVED DAILY**

# AUTUMN MENU

Week 1

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Pick a MAIN</b>	Breakfast Brunch with Bacon, Sausage, Hash Brown and Beans	Pasta Bolognese with Garlic Bread and Sweetcorn	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage	Chicken, Ham & Sweetcorn Pie with New Potatoes, Carrots & Peas	Fish Finger Sandwich with Roasted New Potatoes and Garden Peas
<b>Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN</b>	Quorn Sausage with Hash Brown, Beans & Tomatoes	Vegetable Soft Shell Taco with New potatoes & Garden Peas	Chickpea and Sweet Potato Bake, with Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Cabbage	Cheese and Onion Quiche with New Potatoes and Peas	Veggie Finger Sandwich with Roasted New Potatoes and Peas
<b>Pick a JACKET POTATO</b>	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans	Beans or Tuna	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans
<b>Pick a SANDWICH</b>	Cheese or Ham	Ham or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Ham or Cheese	Ham or Tuna Mayo
<b>Pick a DESSERT</b>	Fruit Platter Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Carrot and Courgette Chocolate Brownie Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Jelly with Mandarins Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Banana Cake Yogurt Fresh Fruit	Oaty Cookie Yogurt Fresh Fruit

We are pleased to offer a variety of allergen free options on our food menu. Although all food is prepared in a kitchen that handles most allergens and therefore we cannot guarantee that cross contamination will never occur, we do take every possible precaution to prevent this from happening.

# School Lunches

**Chulmleigh Academy Trust**

**FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT SERVED DAILY**

## AUTUMN MENU *Week 2*

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Pick a MAIN</b>	Beef Chilli with Rice, Nachos & Sweetcorn	Steak & vegetable Pie with Mash, Carrots and Peas	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots and Cabbage	Chicken Burger with Wedges and Peas	Breaded Fish with Roasted New Potatoes and Beans
<b>Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN</b>	Vegetarian 5 Bean Chilli with Rice, Nachos & Sweetcorn	Falafel Wraps with Mash, carrots & Peas	Hominy Pie with Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Cabbage	Plant Based Burger with Wedges and Peas	Vegetable Fajita with Roasted New Potatoes And Beans
<b>Pick a JACKET POTATO</b>	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans	Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans
<b>Pick a SANDWICH</b>	Cheese or Ham	Tuna or Ham	Cheese or Tuna	Cheese or Ham	Tuna or Ham
<b>Pick a DESSERT</b>	Iced Sponge	Meringue with Cherry Pie Filling	Chocolate Mousse	Chocolate Krispie Cake	Lemon Drizzle
	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt
	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit

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## AUTUMN MENU *Week 3*

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Pick a MAIN</b>	Pepperoni Pizza with Wedges & Salad	Sweet and Sour Chicken with Rice & Sweetcorn	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots & Cabbage	Chipolata Sausage with Mash, Gravy, Carrots & Peas	Fish Fingers or Salmon Bites with Diced Potatoes & Beans
<b>Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN</b>	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Wedges & Salad	Singapore Noodles	Broccoli and Cheddar Quiche with Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Cabbage	Vegetarian Sausage with Mash, Gravy, Carrots & Peas	Halloumi Stuffed Pepper with Diced Potatoes & Beans
<b>Pick a JACKET POTATO</b>	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Beans	Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Tuna mayo	Cheese or Beans
<b>Pick a SANDWICH</b>	Cheese or Ham	Tuna Mayo or Ham	Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Cheese or Ham	Tuna Mayo or Ham
<b>Pick a DESSERT</b>	Fruit Platter	Waffle with Apple & Toffee Sauce	Jelly and Fruit	Flapjack	Carrot Cake
	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt	Yogurt
	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit

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