

22 September 2025



Dear Parent(s)/ Carer(s)

We've had a great week at Lapford and things have ramped up this week as all of our extra-curricular clubs have begun. Mrs Perry was particularly pleased to have such a strong turn out for her Handball club and assures me that the team have excellent potential for our interschool tournament in October.

Our School Council met for the first time and were keen to share ideas for school improvement. They have plans to organise a fantastic 'Movie and Munchies' evening, so watch this space for further details.

Playtimes have been great fun this week. Mr Pooley has been busy creating a 'music corner' on Badger's Seek and the sound of music filled the playground, making us all want to dance!

As well as clubs for the children, our FLS (Friends of Lapford School) met for the first time this year. During the meeting we reviewed some of the fantastic achievements of the previous year including funding our Sensory Room, treating all children to a trip to the pantomime and subsidising our residential visits. In order for our FLS group to be successful, we would love more families to join us. Being part of FLS does not mean that you are required to attend every meeting or help at every event but lending a hand where you are able, means we can organise more events and in turn support the school to provide more opportunities for the children. We would like to invite all families to a welcome meeting at The Ark on Monday 6th October at 7.30pm.

Thank you to all parents and carers who joined us this morning for our Phonics and Reading Open Morning. We know that reading is the gateway to the curriculum and are proud of the results we achieve in reading. Last year all of our Year 1 children passed the Phonics Screening Check and 86% of our Key Stage 2 achieved the expected standard or above for reading. These excellent results are achieved not only through quality teaching in school, but also through the effort that goes into encouraging and supporting reading at home.

Have a wonderful week.
Mrs Wright



What's on 22-26 September

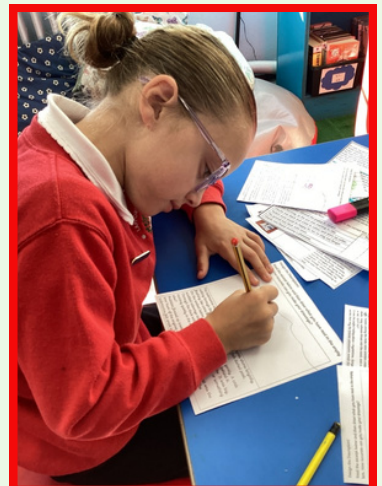
| Day | What's On | PE | Music Lessons | Clubs |
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| Monday 22 September | 9:00 - 10:30am Nursery/ Reception Phonics Workshop and Yrs1-6 Reading Open Morning | Herons swimming | Ms Bloch flute lessons | 3:30 - 4:30pm Yrs2-6 Handball Club |
| Tuesday 23 September | 9:00 - 10:30am Stay & play sessions resume | | | |
| Wednesday 24 September | | | | |
| Thursday 25 September | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Craddock keyboard & violin lessons • Mr White drum lessons | |
| Friday 26 September | | | | |



What's on 29 September - 3 October

| Day | What's On | PE | Music Lessons | Clubs |
|-----------------------------|--|-----------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Monday 29 September | 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 |
| Tuesday 30 September | 9 - 10:30am Stay & Play | | | |
| Wednesday 1 October | Black History Month begins | | | |
| Thursday 2 October | Kingfishers Forest School Afternoon | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs Craddock keyboard & violin lessons Mr White drum lessons | |
| Friday 3 October | | | | |

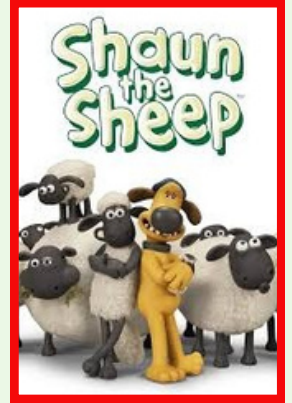
More Phonics and Reading Open Morning pictures!





Kingfishers have had a brilliant first few weeks settling into life as Year 1 and 2s! It has been great to see how the children have applied themselves in all areas of the curriculum and are becoming more independent as the days go on.

We have started our English learning with our focus text being Shaun the Sheep. The children have thoroughly enjoyed this with lots of giggles, and we are looking forward to producing our independent writing based on one of the episodes next week.



In Art we have been exploring mixing colours and have begun to learn all about primary and secondary colours. We have also been printing using Lego where we created some lovely patterns using the texture of the Lego. The children have produced some lovely artwork already, which is now on display outside the classroom for everyone to see!



We have begun to learn all about the creation story in RE and the children are now very familiar with the 7 days and what happened on each day.

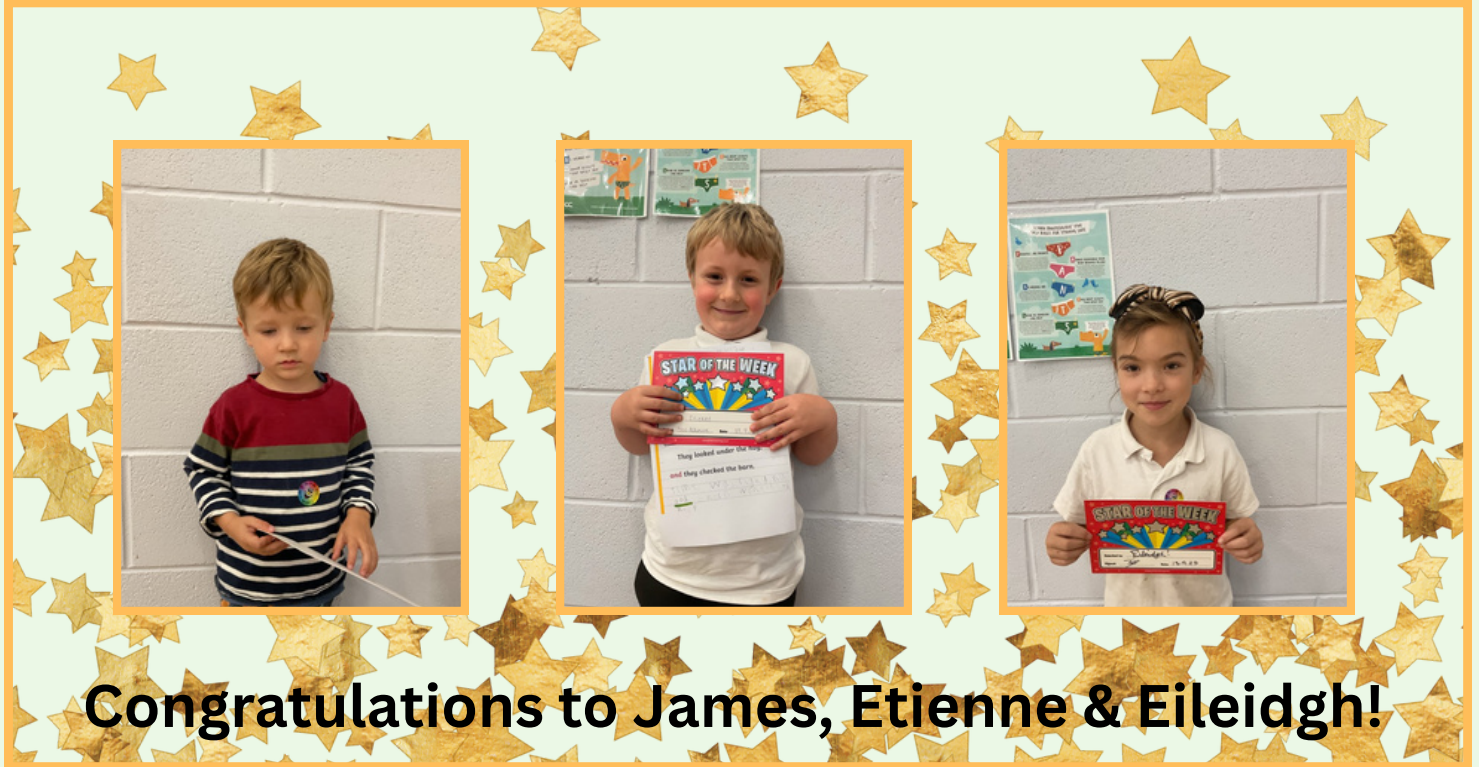


As we begin our War and Remembrance topic in History, we have started to learn all about the famous war officer Walter Tull. The children have shown a huge interest in this topic so far and are excited to learn more over the coming weeks.

We are looking forward to starting Forest School in a few weeks, along with lots of other exciting things!



Stars of the Week 19 September 2025



Congratulations to James, Etienne & Eileidgh!

Lapford Legends 19 September 2025



Congratulations to Mia, Emily & Florence!

Lapford Breakfast Club Menu

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|----------------|---------|--------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| Beans on Toast | Bagels | Sausage Baps | Toasted Teacakes | Scrambled Eggs on Toast |
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- Toast
- Crumpets
- Selection of Jams & Spreads

- Fresh Fruit
- Yoghurt
- Cereals

- Milk
- Apple Juice
- Orange Juice
- Water

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY!

FREE Breakfast Club Reception to Year 6

ALL pupils from Reception to Year 6 can book into our FREE 8:30am Breakfast Club. Please go to MyEd to select your days!

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Top Academic Achievement

- Progress 8 score of +0.81 (2024) – top 5% nationally
- Consistently outstanding GCSE results over the last 10 years
- Ofsted: "Good" with potential for "Outstanding"

Safe, Supportive & Aspirational Environment

- Pupils feel happy, safe, and proud (Ofsted)
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Strong Values & Ambitious Ethos

- Motto: Nihil Quam Optime – "Nothing but our best"
- Culture of compassion, ambition and teamwork

Rich Curriculum & Vibrant Enrichment

- Broad range of subject provision to GCSE level
- Diverse clubs: Lego robotics, sports, drama, music, chess
- Active Pupil Senate & Year 11 leadership roles
- Outdoor excellence: Ten Tors & Duke of Edinburgh

Outstanding Leadership & Inclusive Support

- Expert teachers fostering independent, resilient learners
- Tailored support for SEND & disadvantaged pupils
- Focus on reading fluency and curriculum access for all

Out of catchment area?

- Priority given to pupils from Chulmleigh Academy Trust primary schools
- Subsidised bus transport routes available

Open Evening

Thursday 25 September 2025
4.30pm to 7.00pm

- Tours of the College
- Interactive activities
- Showcasing of pupils' work
- Address by Neil Payne, Headteacher, at 6.30pm

Open Mornings

Tuesday 30 September or
Thursday 2 October 2025
11.15am - 1.00pm

Come and see the College in action

- Tours of the College
- Meet the Senior Leadership Team

To book please visit: www.chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk
Or click on the links above

We look forward to meeting you!



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 by 10 am on Monday, 6th 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, 6th October 2025
Interview date: Tuesday, 14th 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.

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

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

| | March | | | | | April | | | | | May | | | | | June | | | | | July | | | | | August | | | | | | | | | | | |
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- Bank Holidays** ■
- 25 December 2025
 - 26 December 2025
 - 01 January 2026
 - 08 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

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FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT SERVED DAILY

AUTUMN MENU

Week 1

| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|------------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|
| Pick a MAIN | 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 |
| Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN | 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 |
| Pick a JACKET POTATO | Cheese or Tuna Mayo | Cheese or Beans | Beans or Tuna | Cheese or Tuna Mayo | Cheese or Beans |
| Pick a SANDWICH | Cheese or Ham | Ham or Tuna Mayo | Cheese or Tuna Mayo | Ham or Cheese | Ham or Tuna Mayo |
| Pick a DESSERT | 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 |
|------------------------------|--|---|--|---|--|
| Pick a MAIN | 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 |
| Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN | Vegetarian 5 Bean Chilli with Rice, Nachos & Sweetcorn | Falafel Wraps with Mash, carrots & Peas | Homity Pie with Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Cabbage | Plant Based Burger with Wedges and Peas | Vegetable Fajita with Roasted New Potatoes And Beans |
| Pick a JACKET POTATO | Cheese or Tuna Mayo | Cheese or Beans | Beans or Tuna Mayo | Cheese or Tuna Mayo | Cheese or Beans |
| Pick a SANDWICH | Cheese or Ham | Tuna or Ham | Cheese or Tuna | Cheese or Ham | Tuna or Ham |
| Pick a DESSERT | 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 |
|------------------------------|---|--|--|---|--|
| Pick a MAIN | 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 |
| Pick a MEAT-FREE MAIN | 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 |
| Pick a JACKET POTATO | Cheese or Tuna Mayo | Cheese or Beans | Beans or Tuna Mayo | Cheese or Tuna mayo | Cheese or Beans |
| Pick a SANDWICH | Cheese or Ham | Tuna Mayo or Ham | Cheese or Tuna Mayo | Cheese or Ham | Tuna Mayo or Ham |
| Pick a DESSERT | 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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