



Dear Parent(s)/ Carer(s)

We've had another exciting week with lots of great learning opportunities for the children.

Kingfishers Northcott Theatre trip

On Tuesday, Kingfishers set off for their first trip of the year to the Northcott Theatre to enjoy a show by the Children's Bookshow. During the performance Alom Shaha, author of *How to Find a Rainbow*, shared his story with the children and conducted some exciting science experiments live on stage. At the end of the show, every child was gifted a copy of Alom's book. As we have come to expect, all the children behaved fantastically and represented the school with pride, curiosity and enthusiasm throughout the whole visit. Their engagement and impeccable conduct made the day a real pleasure for everyone involved.



Remembrance Day

While Kingfishers were out at their theatre performance, Herons gathered at the war memorial in the village to mark Remembrance Day with a service.

Despite the awful weather, the children read their poems with calm confidence and showed great respect throughout. George and Florence then laid a wreath on behalf of the school in memory of all those who had lost their lives in war.



Learning about Baptisms

Herons also visited St Thomas Church this week to learn about baptism by taking part in a special service led by Revd Matthew Tregenza.

The Revd demonstrated the ceremony by baptising a doll named Benjamin Sydney Sonny Lapford! The children thoroughly enjoyed taking on the roles of parents and godparents, gaining a real understanding of the promises and symbolism involved in a baptism.



Children in Need

We ended the week by celebrating Children in Need. A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who donated and supported the day by sending their children to school in spots and stripes. The school was full of colour and enthusiasm, and the children loved taking part in such an important fundraising event.



The School Council also ran a successful bake sale, raising an additional £45, along with a colouring competition that brought in a further £11. Well done to the winners – Leo, Penny and Florence – who each received a set of colouring pencils and colouring sheets. A huge well done as well to the School Council, who are really embracing their roles and demonstrating fantastic leadership across the school.

Have a lovely week.

Mrs Wright



What's on 17-21 November

Day	What's On	PE	Music Lessons	Clubs
Monday 17 November		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robins & Kingfishers PE • Herons swimming 	Ms Bloch flute lessons	3:30 - 4:30pm Yrs 2-6 Netball Club with Mrs Perry
Tuesday 18 November		Herons PE		
Wednesday 19 November				
Thursday 20 November	Kingfishers Forest School Day	Herons Netball Tournament at Chulmleigh College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Craddock keyboard & violin lessons • Mr White drum lessons 	
Friday 21 November	5:30 - 7pm FLS School Disco			

What's on 24-28 November

Day	What's On	PE	Music Lessons	Clubs
Monday 24 November	Kingfishers to Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robins & Kingfishers PE • Herons swimming 	Ms Bloch flute lessons	3:30 - 4:30pm Yrs 2-6 Netball Club with Mrs Perry
Tuesday 25 November	Herons trip to Exeter Recycling Centre	Herons PE		
Wednesday 26 November	TEMPEST INDIVIDUAL & SIBLING PHOTOS			
Thursday 27 November			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Craddock keyboard & violin lessons • Mr White drum lessons 	
Friday 28 November				

Planning a holiday?

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



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



Apply online at:
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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:

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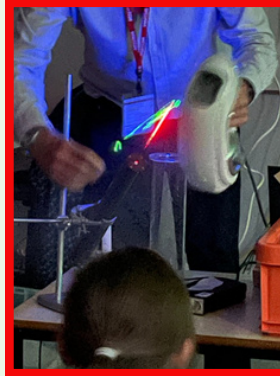
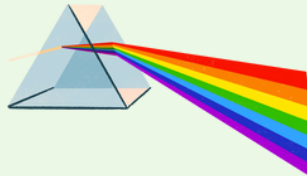


You must apply through the Admissions Team, even if you've already given details to a school. Applications made directly to schools or on their lists will not be accepted.

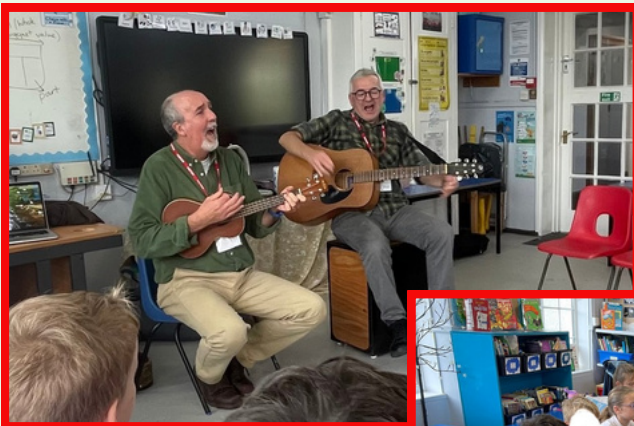


It has been a great first few weeks in Herons class!

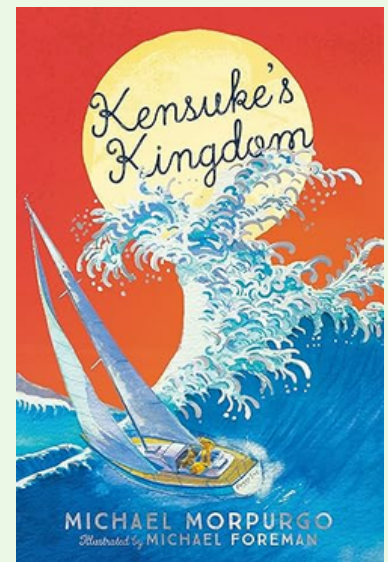
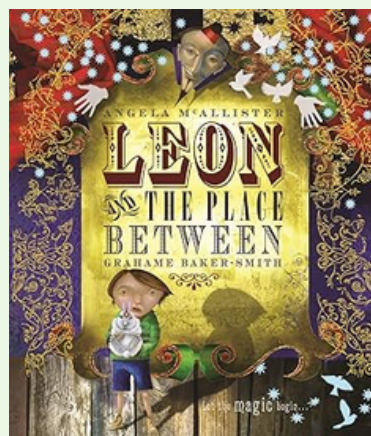
We kicked the term off with a superb science workshop with Professor Roy Sambles learning more about how light and colours are affected by matter with some excellent hands on experiments.



We then enjoyed welcoming Elfyn Jones and his team into the school for the first of three music workshops. Herons are working on a secret project which involved all of our budding musicians and we are very excited to see what they produce. Watch this space!



Over the next few weeks we are looking forward to getting stuck into our new English texts, *Kensuke's Kingdom* and *Leon and the Place Between*, learning more about light and sound in Science, Forest school and lots more!



Stars of the Week 14 November 2025



Congratulations to Ernie, Penny & Dakota!

Lapford Legends 14 November 2025



Congratulations to Emma, Sapphire & Reece!

The Crediton Heart Project

Christmas Craft Fest

6th & 7th December

at Crediton Arts Centre
Christmas creative fun for all!

Workshops: age 16+ £5, under 16s £3

Saturday 6th December

Block Printing
Make your own Christmas cards & wrapping paper
10am-1pm

Pottery Tree Decorations
Cut out and decorate shapes to hang on your tree
2-5pm

Sunday 7th December

Yule Log Decorations
Create Yule log decorations
10am - 1pm

Wreaths and Mini Trees
Make wreaths for your doors and mini trees for your table
2-5pm

and a **FREE** Christmas film for all ages
A MUPPET CHRISTMAS CAROL
Saturday 6th December 6pm for a 6.30pm start
A festive evening with Christmas food and drinks before the film

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Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online by direct debit or debit card.

It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to Lapford Community Primary School

40p goes to our school
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The Maths... 100 tickets sold a week means
= £30 weekly cash prize
= £2,080 a year for our school

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Lapford CHRISTMAS FAYRE

WHERE: LAPFORD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL

WHEN: SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER - 2-4PM

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Chulmleigh Academy Trust

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£2.61

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Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

	Until...
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

SCAN ME

Advice and guidance
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

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JOB ADVERTISEMENT
Chulmleigh Primary School

Part Time, Permanent - Two roles available
Out of School Club Assistant
Grade C £13.26 - £13.69 per hour depending on experience
12.5 hours per week x 38 weeks per annum
Mealtime Assistant
Grade A - £12.65 per hour: 7.5 hours per week x 39 weeks per annum
Required from January 2026

We are seeking to appoint enthusiastic, patient and caring support staff to join our team at Chulmleigh Primary School.

We are pleased to offer two roles which can be applied for as stand-alone roles or as a combined role.

Mealtime Assistant: The main responsibilities of the role are, to assist with the well-being of pupils in the Early Years during lunchtime including supervising the children in the dining area and encouraging them to use good table manners and promote positive behaviour. The successful candidate will also undertake playground duty which involves supporting children during play and leading and encouraging all children to engage and participate in activities.

The post is offered for 7.5 hours per week. The working pattern is for 1.5 hours per day over 5 days per week from 11.45am – 11.5pm.

Out of School Club Assistant: The successful candidate will work with senior staff and the Out of School Club Supervisor to ensure a creative and supportive learning environment for our pupils. The After School Club provides an opportunity to engage children in a range of activities in a relaxed and safe setting.

The ideal candidate will:

- have excellent communication skills to allow confident interaction with children and parents
- be creative with a good understanding of recreational and physical activities to engage children and promote learning
- be able to work as part of a team
- be able to encourage fun and caring behaviour among the children

The post is offered for 12.5 hours per week. The working pattern is Monday to Friday from 3:30pm to 6:00pm

Further details, including job description application form and information about our dynamic and exciting school are available on our website.

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

Please download and complete the application form and email it to personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk by 10 am on Tuesday, 25th November 2025. Please indicate which role(s) you are applying for. 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 Tuesday, 25th November 2025
Interview date: Tuesday, 2nd December 2025

JOB ADVERTISEMENT
Permanent, Part time
Finance Manager
24 hours per week all year round
CHULMLEIGH ACADEMY TRUST
Grade F: £18.35 - £20.29 per hour – depending on experience
Required from January 2026

Chulmleigh Academy Trust is a family of academy schools, which includes Chulmleigh College, Chulmleigh Primary School, East Worlington School, and St Thomas of Canterbury CE Primary School. Our aim is to provide the highest quality education for the children and young people in our care at every stage, with exceptional teaching in a supportive, friendly, and safe environment.

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, organised and friendly person to join and share the management of our committed and hardworking Finance Team. The Finance Team is based at Chulmleigh Community College and are responsible for the processing of all financial data for our three primary schools in addition to the College offering the very best support to staff, pupils and parents.

This will be a job-sharing role working with the current Finance Manager. Ideally the appointment will be from January 2026, however we are committed to appointing the best candidate and can offer some flexibility to the start date. The work pattern will be over three days to be agreed at interview.

The postholders will work closely with the Academy Business Manager and will need to maintain the highest level of confidentiality and discretion. The successful candidate is expected to hold a recognised level 4 financial management qualification and be highly proficient in both verbal and written communication, and the use of ICT. Full training and comprehensive support will be provided to ensure the continued smooth operation of the team.

Main responsibilities include:

- To monitor all accounting procedures, including the ordering, processing and payment for all goods and services provided to the Trust and the operation of all bank accounts, including a monthly reconciliation.
- Lead on all year-end financial processes
- Prepare all financial returns for the DfE and other central local government agencies within statutory deadlines
- Provide effective budget management by providing regular training and reports to budget holders.
- Maintain confidentiality surrounding financial information at all times.

This rewarding role would be perfect for an experienced finance professional seeking a new challenge in a supportive friendly environment where staff can achieve their highest potential.

Further information including main duties across all areas of responsibility is contained within the Candidate Pack available on our Website

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Closing date: 10 am, Monday, 1st December 2025
Interview Date: Wednesday, 10th December 2025

Lapford Breakfast Club Menu

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Beans on Toast	Bagels	Sausage Baps	Toasted Teacakes	Scrambled Eggs on Toast

- Toast
- Crumpets
- Selection of Jams & Spreads
- Fresh Fruit
- Yoghurt
- Cereals
- Milk
- Apple Juice
- Orange Juice
- Water

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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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Chulmleigh Academy Trust

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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FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT SERVED DAILY

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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