



NEWSLETTER



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Dates for your Diary

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| 10 October | Years 3&4 sports at CPS |
| 11 October | 3:45pm initial Key Stage 2 Residential meeting for parents/carers |
| 11 October | 4:00pm rescheduled FLS meeting at school |
| 13 October | Years 5&6 Cross Country at Torrington |
| 13 October | 2:30pm Harvest Service at Lapford Congregational Church |
| 18 October | SEND Awareness Day |
| 19 October | LAST DAY OF TERM |
| 19 October | Kingfishers Viking Day |
| 20 October | STAFF TRAINING DAY. NO PUPILS IN SCHOOL. |
| 27 October | Deadline to consent online for your child to have Flu Nasal Spray on 31 October |
| 20-29 October | HALF TERM |
| 30 October | CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL |
| 31 October | Reception - Year 6 flu Nasal Spray Immunisations |

Dear Parents/ Carers

Last week was incredibly busy for all the staff and children in school as we welcomed Ofsted. Thank you to all who gave their views via Parent View or spoke with our visitors on the playground. Thank you also to all the children who coped so well with the changes to timetables and spoke so confidently to inspectors at every opportunity. We will share results and feedback once the process is complete and the report finalised.

Friday was a lovely end to the week for Herons, who visited Tiverton Museum as part of their Britain at War topic. During the visit, children were able to experience first-hand what life during the War would have been like. They learnt about rationing and cooking, dressed as evacuees and boarded a real-life steam engine, and experienced an air raid siren before being led to the safety of an air raid shelter. A fantastic visit which really helped to bring their learning to life.

This week looks set to be another busy one, with Year 3 and 4 travelling to Chulmleigh Primary School for a Cross Country event on Tuesday and runners from across Key Stage 2 taking part in an external event at Great Torrington at the end of the week. Alongside this, parents/carers are invited to join us for our Harvest Festival at the Congregational Church on Friday at 2.30pm. As before, we are collecting for Lapford Foodbank and donations can be brought into school throughout the week.

On Wednesday we look forward to welcoming parents/carers of children in Key Stage 2 to school for a short meeting about the upcoming residential visit planned for the children later in the year. Please do pop along to hear more about what we have planned.

Wednesday also sees our first FLS meeting of the year. Parents, carers and friends of the school are welcome to attend and share their thoughts and ideas, particularly around fundraising. This meeting will take place in school (parents attending the trip meeting would be welcome to join after that meeting has concluded) and will be repeated at 7.30pm on Thursday in the Old Malt Scoop if this is more convenient for you.

Have a lovely week

Mrs Wright



Harvest Service – 2:30pm on Friday 13th October

Lapford Congregational Church

We warmly invite all parents/carers to our Harvest Service, held this year at Lapford Congregational Church in Lapford.

Once again we shall be supporting our local Lapford Foodbank, and children are welcome to bring in any donations of long life food and toiletry items to the school by Friday 13th October.

After the service, refreshments will be available and those parents/carers in attendance will be able to take their children home directly from the church. All other pupils will return to school to be collected.



Year 6 Applications to Secondary School

The deadline for parents/carers of our Year 6 children to apply for Secondary School places is:

TUESDAY 31ST OCTOBER 2023

Applications can be made through the Devon County Council admissions portal:

[Apply for a secondary place – Education and Families](https://www.devon.gov.uk)
([devon.gov.uk](https://www.devon.gov.uk))

Please call DCC if you cannot apply online on 0345 155 1019 and ask for a paper copy to be sent to you.



Thank you to everyone who cleared out their cupboards and contributed to the Bag2School Collection recently. We weighed in an incredible **120kg** of clothing/shoes, and raised **£60.00** for FLS.

We hope to run this fundraiser again in the future, as not only does it raise money for the school, but also gives us the opportunity to have a good clear out!

Spotlight SEND Newsletter

from Miss Tooms

Let's talk about developing language...

As our children grow, so does their ability to effectively communicate with others. However, sometimes children face barriers with their communication and language which hinders their progress.



Does your child:

- Struggle to get started with everyday tasks or only follows part of an instruction?
- Struggle to maintain or engage in conversations?
- Show difficulties with their writing?
- Often forget what they're doing?
- Lose track when they're talking or always talk in short sentences?
- Use language that is typical of a younger age group?
- Lack resilience when asked to repeat or redo something?
- Consistently use vague terminology like 'thingy' or 'stuff'?



If the answer to some or all of these questions is yes, then your child could be showing early signs of a language disorder: finding it difficult to understand or use language that we might assume or expect them to. On average, 2 children in every class of 30 will have DLD (Developmental Language Disorder).

On **Wednesday 18th October**, Lapford Community Primary School, together with Chulmleigh and East Worlington Primaries, are celebrating DLD Awareness Day. We will be taking part in activities that encourage lots of talk and discussions, involve trying and taking on new roles within a group, and invites children to be proud to share their experiences.

The great news is, **YOU'RE INVITED TOO!**

If you want to start thinking about your child's language development then we are excited to provide you with the opportunity to come along and talk to one of Devon's Advisory Teachers from the DCC Communication & Interaction Team, Sarah Clarke. She will share some of her expertise with everyone who is interested, and will be available for you if you have any questions to ask about your child.



Please see the CAT poster on the next page, which explains more details.

You can also learn more about DLD Awareness Day on: <https://thedldproject.com/developmental-language-disorder-dld/dld-awareness-day/>

Everyone deserves a voice



Chulmleigh
Academy Trust

Early Language Development & Developmental Language Disorder Parent Workshop & Staff Drop-in Wednesday 18 October

Join us for a parent workshop run by Sarah Clarke, a specialist teacher with Devon County Council's Communication & Interaction Team.

There will be a brief explanation of children's language development, a film showing 'Darcie's Story' & information on what to do if parents/carers have concerns.

All followed by tea, cake & the opportunity for questions.

Parent Workshop

9-10am East Worlington Primary School
11am-12pm Lapford Community Primary School
2.30-3.30pm Chulmleigh Primary School



Staff Drop-in

8.15-9am East Worlington Primary School
12-1.30pm Lapford Community Primary School
3.30-4.30pm Chulmleigh Primary School



Our Week in OPAL Play





**YOUR
SCHOOL
LOTTERY**

1

JOIN OUR LOTTERY



2

BOOST SCHOOL FUNDS



3

WIN CASH PRIZES



It's As Easy As



- Join our weekly lottery from just £1 a week
- It's an easy way to support our school and help raise funds
- 40% of ticket sales go straight to our school funds
- There's a guaranteed winner every week as well as the chance to win £25,000

[**Click Here to Buy A Ticket**](#)

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.

COST OF LIVING SUPPORT

Struggling to make ends meet?

Chulmleigh College is working with Chulmleigh Parish Church,
& the Little Dart Mission Community, to offer support to all

- **FREE CC School Uniform**
- **FREE children's clothing 0-5**
- **FREE food parcels**



- *Completely confidential service
- *Browse available items, or we can deliver
- *Uniform items include sports kit & footwear
{when available}
- *No referral required
- *Open to all



Call Elaine Cook,
Licensed Lay Minister
01769 572525
or
Tony Rockey,
Team Rector
01769 581712



JOB ADVERTISEMENT

FOR THE PERMANENT POST OF

PERSONAL ASSISTANT TO THE EXECUTIVE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

37 hours per week x 40 weeks per year

Grade D: £11.81 to £12.70 per hour depending on experience

(Pay award pending)

AT CHULMLEIGH COLLEGE

Required as soon as possible

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, well organised and effective Personal Assistant to provide administrative support to the Executive Senior Leadership Team in their responsibilities related to school leadership, administration and management.

This is a key administrative role, and the successful candidate will work closely with the Senior Leadership Team. This interesting and varied post will include duties such as attending meetings, taking minutes, preparing reports, assisting with diary management, events organisation, compiling the annual College Calendar of events, undertaking specific project work and providing comprehensive administrative support to the Senior Leaders of the Trust.

The successful candidate will need to have excellent communication and interpersonal skills, dealing with members of the public, staff and pupils in a discreet, friendly and professional manner.

Candidates should demonstrate the following skills and attributes:

- A high standard of English and Mathematics
- Ability to communicate effectively
- Experience as an effective administrator
- Maintaining high levels of confidentiality and discretion
- Able to work under pressure

The usual working pattern will be Monday to Friday, ideally from 8.30am – to 4.30pm (4.00pm on Friday) although some flexibility will be required. The contract is for 40 weeks per year. We are keen to appoint the very best candidate to promote our ambition to offer the best provision to all our pupils.

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.

An application form, job description and information relating to our standing and success are available on our [website](#)

Please email completed application form to personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk by 10 am on Friday, 20th October 2023.

As employers, we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and in that regard 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 Friday, 20th October 2023

Interview Date: Tuesday 31st October 2023



CHULMLEIGH ACADEMY TRUST

School Terms and Holiday Dates - 2023/2024 Academic Year

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Five days selected from within the term dates to be determined by the Board of Directors

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