



TABLE TENNIS COMPETITION



The Table Tennis team had a wonderful evening last week taking part in a competition at Fair Oak Junior School.

They all showed great tenacity and although they didn't win, they all thoroughly enjoyed the event.

Well done team!

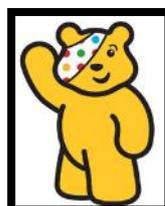
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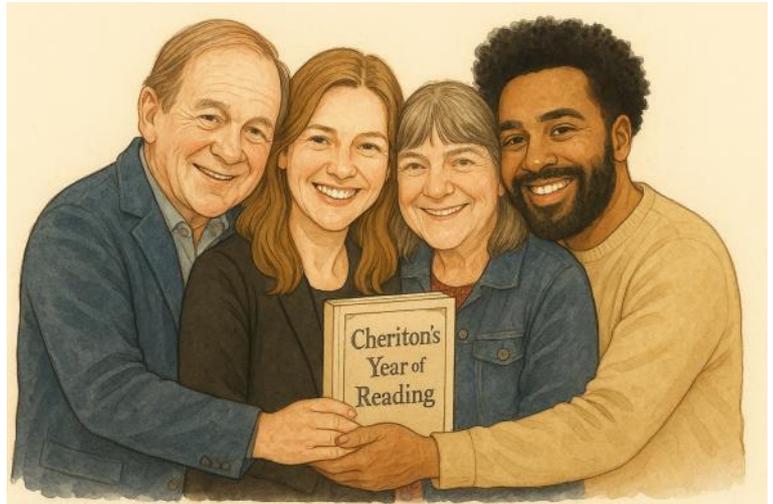
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Message from the Headteacher:

With only three weeks until the Christmas holidays, the term really has flown by!

To continue promoting a love of reading, the School Council has voted to rename our Houses after authors for the remainder of the year. Griffin is now **Bryon**, Dragon is **Rundell**, Phoenix is **Donaldson**, and Centaur is **Morpurgo**.



We are also very excited to welcome author **Louise Caldwell** into school next Monday for a special 50-minute immersive assembly for Years 2–6 (as recommended by the author). Don't forget to send your child in with their book to be signed, if you purchased one.



This week, our school theme has been **Anti-Bullying**, and I was so impressed by the children's knowledge and understanding during Monday's assembly. We discussed the definition of bullying, why bullying happens, what to do if you think you are being bullied, and how to act if you witness someone else being bullied. We linked this theme to one of our Core Values: **Kindness**. In a school with a strong culture of kindness, there is no room for bullies or bullying behaviours.

Please keep a close eye on the **Diary Dates**, as we have many exciting events to fit in before the end of term. There is truly something magical about a primary school in December, and we are all looking forward to a very special end to the term.

Please remember to keep listening to your child read at home. We recommend that every child reads **at least five times a week for around 10 minutes each session**. Regular reading not only builds confidence but also forms the **foundation for future learning**. Thank you for your continued support in helping foster a love of reading!

DIARY DATES

28th Nov	INSET DAY
1st Dec	Author visit—Louise Caldwell—for Yrs 2 to 6. NB: Change of date
5th Dec	FRIENDS—Buy-a-Gift
8th Dec	Reverse Advent Calendar for one week. SEE ATTACHED....
9th Dec	Christmas Panto—"Solar Express"
11th Dec	Christmas Lunch—Can wear a Christmas jumper in exchange for £1.00
11th Dec	Nativity—Church, 6pm (All parents welcome)
12th Dec	French Club Performance in assembly
12th Dec	FRIENDS—Hot Choc Event
17th Dec	Rocksteady concert, 2pm
18th Dec	School Choir—Café on the Green, 11.00am
19th Dec	Break up for Christmas—1.30pm
5th Jan	INSET DAY
7th Jan	Swimming lessons begin—Owl Class—for six weeks
22nd Jan	Spinnaker Tower/D-Day Museum and Explore the Orchestra
13th Feb	FRIENDS—Children's Bake Sale
13th Feb	Break up for Half-Term
5th March	World Book Day
3rd March	FRIENDS—Pyjama Day & Surprise Event
13th March	FRIENDS—Mothers Day Gifts
20th March	Red Nose Day
27th March	Break up for Easter—1.30pm
8th May	FRIENDS—Plant Sale
22nd May	Sports Day
22nd May	Break up for Half Term
12th June	RESERVE Sports Day
15th to 17th June	Yr 5/6 Residential- Calshot
18th June	FRIENDS—fathers Day Surprise
19th June	INSET DAY
22nd July	Break up for Summer—1.30pm

Term Dates: Sept 2025- July 2026

Autumn Term 2025 starts on Wednesday 3 September 2025 and ends on Friday 19 December 2025

(Half term from Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October 2025)

Spring Term 2026 starts on Monday 5 January 2026 and ends on Friday 27 March 2026 (Half term from Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February 2026)

Summer Term 2026 starts on Monday 13 April 2026 and ends on Wednesday 22 July 2026 (Half term from Monday 25 May to

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Autumn Term 2026 starts on Tuesday 1 September 2026 and ends on Friday 18 December 2026 (Half term from Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October 2026)

Spring Term 2027 starts on Monday 4 January 2027 and ends on Thursday 25 March 2027 (Half term from Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February 2027)

Summer Term 2027 starts on Monday 12 April 2027 and ends on Wednesday 21 July 2027 (Half term from Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June 2027) Term Start date

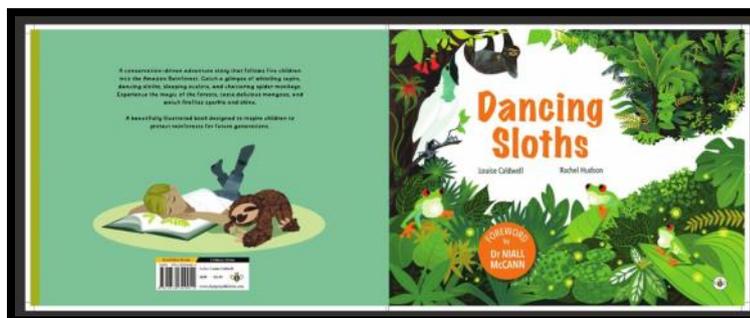
Our First Author Visit of the Year

On **Monday 1st December**, Louise Caldwell—the author of 'Dancing Sloths' - will be running a biodiversity workshop in school, along side a reading of her book for the children in Yr2 to 6. During the workshop the children will learn about the importance of tropical rainforests, they will experience the sounds, smells and humidity of the forests, and will get to discuss important issues such as deforestation and biodiversity loss.

If your child brings their copy of 'Dancing Sloths' to school on the day, Mrs Caldwell will be happy to sign their book.

To order a copy of 'Dancing Sloths', please click on the link below.

[Olympia Publishers | Louise Caldwell](#)



Bikeability—Yrs 6

This year, all eleven Yr 6's completed Level 2 Bikeability (and passed). This event took place here in Cheriton on the 18th and 19th of November 2025.

We started on the back playground to complete Level 1, this took an hour, then we went out on the roads! The instructors were very supportive (especially when we had to practice U-turns in the freezing snow! It is not very enjoyable when you are wearing wet woollen gloves!)

The first thing we did out on the road was to learn how to get off a bike safely. The instructors always gave an example then let us have three goes to try it out ourselves, they were really encouraging. Once we had cracked getting on and off our bikes safely, they taught us how to sensibly do a U-turn.

Well....junctions! They were hard ones! But thankfully we had priority so we didn't need to stop then start, then stop then start again. We learnt about positions, like 'follow me' and 'pass me', we recapped on signalling and were reminded to stop and start safely.

On our last day, we went out on a big bike ride. Along the way we recapped on our U-turns and signalling skills. The last thing we learned about was the Highway Code: we learned about all the sorts of signs and the rules of the road. (We also learned how to get really cold and wet in the snow!)

So in conclusion, Bikeability was a fun experience and we learnt skills to keep us safe on the road. There is one more level that we will complete at Secondary school—for busier roads, such as the ones in Alresford. Thank you for reading,



By Marigold and Heidi (Yr 6)

Forest School Timetable 2026

Spring 1		am	Spring 2	am
Thursday, 8th Jan			Thursday, 26th Feb	Squirrel Class
Thursday, 15th Jan		Squirrel Class	Thursday, 5th Mar	Squirrel Class
Thursday, 22nd Jan		Squirrel Class	Thursday, 5th Mar	Squirrel Class
Thursday, 29th Jan		Squirrel Class	Thursday, 19th Mar	Squirrel Class
Thursday, 5th Feb		Squirrel Class	Thursday, 25th Mar	Squirrel Class
Thursday, 12th Feb		Squirrel Class		

Summer 1	am	pm	Summer 2	am	pm
Tuesday, 14th Apr		Fox Class	Tuesday, 2nd June		Owl Class
Thursday, 16th Apr		R	Thursday, 4th June		R
Tuesday, 21st Apr		Fox Class	Tuesday, 9th June		Owl Class
Thursday, 23rd Apr		R	Thursday, 11th June		R
Tuesday, 28th Apr		Fox Class	Tuesday, 16th June		Owl Class
Thursday, 30th Apr		R	Thursday, 18th June		R
Tuesday, 5th May		Fox Class	Tuesday, 23rd June		Owl Class
Thursday, 7th May		R	Thursday, 25th June		R
Tuesday, 12th May		Fox Class	Tuesday, 30th June		Owl Class
Thursday, 14th May		R	Thursday, 2nd July		R



REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

Nov 2025

Dear Parents,

Everyone loves an advent calendar in the lead up to Christmas, and here at Cheriton Primary we love hearing all about the children's advent calendars at home. But once again this year, in school, we wanted to do something a little bit different.

After the huge success last year, we are going to be celebrating a "Reverse Advent Calendar" in school, one where each day we put things into it, instead of taking something out. These items can then be donated to a food bank in order to help those less fortunate that are struggling at Christmas time.

After gathering helpful items they will be delivered to the Winchester Food Bank who are planning on distributing Christmas boxes to families in Winchester with more seasonal items in them.

To organise it within school we have assigned different items for each school day in the week of the 8th to the 12th December (see below) and ask that as a family you choose one or two days (or as many as you feel comfortable!) to bring in the specific item. We will ensure there are boxes in the playground to collect donations every morning. Perhaps you could talk with friends and try and share out the different items so we have a wider range to offer.

We hope that not only will this prove something fun and different for our community to do together, from picking which goodies to bring in and put in, to more importantly teaching our children the importance of helping others and seeing the bigger picture at Christmas.

All of us here at Cheriton Primary School thank you for your support with this – we will be making a real difference to the lives of many children within Winchester

With kind regards

The Team at Cheriton

DONATION REQUESTS:

1	Monday 8 th December	Christmas Cakes (small) Shower Gel/Shampoo
2	Tuesday 9 th December	Christmas Puddings (small) Chocolate
3	Wednesday 10 th December	Mince Pies Sweets/Small selection boxes
4	Thursday 11 th December	Biscuits (any nice Christmas ones!) Deodorant – (male & female)
5	Friday 12 th December	Tooth Brushes/Toothpaste Snacks and Nibbles – NO NUTS PLEASE



Buying Christmas Presents Online? Is it too early?!!

Don't forget if you are buying presents online you can raise money for the school without doing a thing! Go through 'easyfundraising' either using the link on the school website 'Parents' - 'Friends of Cheriton' page—scroll down to the bottom or go directly to

<http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/cheritonprimary>

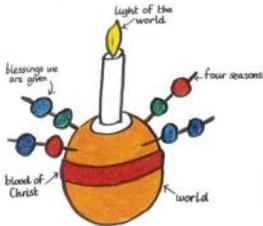
The 'easyfundraising' site will take you to the retailer (Amazon, M&S, Argos, John Lewis, Comet, Vodafone, eBay, Boden and Play.com - there are over 2,000), then a percentage of whatever you spend comes directly to us at no extra cost to yourself. It's the easiest way to help raise money for 'Friends' and the school. Thanks to all those who have already signed up, happy shopping everyone!



SUNDAY STATION

St Simon & St Jude Church, Bramdean

The Rector and Benefice Children's Ministry Team invite you to join us for our next Benefice family service.



**Sunday 7th
December 2025
10:15-11:00**

If you would like to receive regular reminders of services and connected events, please email Anne Newson at newson754@btinternet.com



Crib Service

**Wednesday 24th December 2025
at 3.00pm
St Michael and All Angels Church
Cheriton**

You are warmly invited to join us for a short, fun service, that brings the Christmas story to life. The perfect start to Christmas for all ages!

Children are very welcome to come along in costume to join in the nativity. Some costumes (crowns, angel wings, shepherd head-dresses) will be available in the church.

Friends of St. Andrew's
Christmas Bazaar

Saturday 6th December 2025
2pm to 4pm at
Kilmeston Village Hall

STALLS

Kilmeston Stall - Cakes - Jams - Preserves
Christmas Greenery - Tombola
Potting Shed Posies - RNLI
Jen's Home Made Gifts (bags, toys, cushions etc.)
Lorraine Dolding Smith Tropic Skin Care products
Teas and Mince Pies

RAFFLE

(including)
The Famous Christmas Cake
Gift from Club Matters Tableware
Wine Tasting from Raimes Vineyard
Two & One Olive Oil
and many other items

FOR DONATIONS & MORE INFORMATION

Rachel (771998), Jane (771116),
Maureen (771910), Ann (771300)

Everyone Welcome!



**CHRISTMAS TREES FOR
SALE**

SATURDAY 29th NOVEMBER

**8.30am -11.30am
at**

**CHERITON PRIMARY
SCHOOL**



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OF Cheriton Primary School

We've been chosen!!!

Please vote for our project to help school purchase new books, storage and equipment for our outdated library
WE NEED YOUR HELP

1. Pay for your shopping at the till
2. Collect your blue tokens
3. Pop them in the "Friends of Cheriton Primary School library book overhaul" box
4. Repeat!

Voting from October
Until January 2026



Tesco Token Heroes



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PLUS EXCITING GIFTS TO BE WON. DON'T MISS OUT!

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£30 PER CHILD, PER DAY (EXTENDED)
08:45 - 16:00 / 08:15 - 16:45
(STANDARD) (EXTENDED)

ADMIN@SOCCERSCHOOLS-UK.COM
07723 292614

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR HOLIDAY CAMP PROCEDURES, THE FORMAT OF THE DAY AND WHAT TO BRING, PLEASE CHECK THE HOLIDAY CAMPS SECTION OF OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.SOCCER-SCHOOLS-UK.COM/HOLIDAY-CAMPS/

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CHERITON SHOP

For most villages a shop is a vital lifeline and for some people, especially those without transport, it is an important connection with the world beyond their front door. It is a meeting place, communication centre and an important lynchpin of village life. Much of the appeal of our village rests on its sense of community. It is the reason, along with the school, the church, and the pub many people have moved here and remain here.

What you will find in the shop.....

Fresh baked goods – Bramley Bakery bread available regularly

Fruit and vegetable – A good range of fresh fruit and vegetable

Old favourites – Kindling, logs, newspaper orders (coupons accepted)

Local products – Honey Bee Happy Honey, Annie's Posies

Chilled and frozen – Well stocked freezer section and a selection of wines, juices, milk and soft drinks

Post Office – Still operating Monday 13.00-16.00 and Thursday 09.00-12.00



CHERITON PRIMARY SCHOOL
BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BOOKING FORM

Child's Name(s): _____ Class: _____

Week Beginning: 5 th January 2026									
Monday	*	Tuesday	*	Wednesday	*	Thursday	*	Friday	*
INSET DAY		Morning		Morning		Morning		Morning	
INSET DAY		After School		After School		After School		After School	

Week Beginning: 12 th January 2026									
Monday	*	Tuesday	*	Wednesday	*	Thursday	*	Friday	*
Morning		Morning		Morning		Morning		Morning	
After School		After School		After School		After School		After School	

Week Beginning: 19 th January 2026									
Monday	*	Tuesday	*	Wednesday	*	Thursday	*	Friday	*
Morning		Morning		Morning		Morning		Morning	
After School		After School		After School		After School		After School	

Week Beginning: 26 th January 2026									
Monday	*	Tuesday	*	Wednesday	*	Thursday	*	Friday	*
Morning		Morning		Morning		Morning		Morning	
After School		After School		After School		After School		After School	

Week Beginning 2nd February 2026									
Monday	*	Tuesday	*	Wednesday	*	Thursday	*	Friday	*
Morning		Morning		Morning		Morning		Morning	
After School		After School		After School		After School		After School	

Week Beginning: 9 th February 2026									
Monday	*	Tuesday	*	Wednesday	*	Thursday	*	Friday	*
Morning		Morning		Morning		Morning		Morning	
After School		After School		After School		After School		After School	

N.B - 24 HOURS NOTICE IS REQUIRED WHEN CANCELLING A BOOKING

No of AM sessions	Cost per session	No of Sessions	Total
	£5.00		£

No of PM sessions	Cost per session	No of Sessions	Total
	£5.00		£

No of PM sessions	Cost per session	No of Sessions	Total
	£7.50		£

To book sessions until 6:00pm Monday to Friday please contact the office directly either by email at adminoffice@cheriton.hants.sch.uk or call us 01962 771278. We need at least a weeks notice for these sessions. The charge for

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Thursday 11th
December

Christmas DINNER

MENU

Turkey, Pork Chipolata or

Vegetable wellington

ON THE SIDE

Roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables and Gravy

TO FINISH

Chocolate and vanilla ice cream tub or fresh fruit

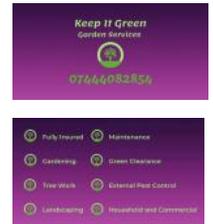
Office Reminder.

We **aim** to be a NUT FREE school. Please ensure when sending in snacks or birthday treats that they do not contain nuts.

SICKNESS—Please adhere to our 48 hour rule.

No child should return to school after sickness or diarrhoea for at least 48 hours after their last episode.

THANK YOU, we appreciate your support.



INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the event of inclement weather which may result in school closure, please check the Home page of the school website for details:
www.cheriton.hants.sch.uk



CLUBS

MUSIC CLUB	Monday (3.30 to 4.30) - Hall, KS2—No Charge
NETBALL CLUB	Tuesday (3.30 to 4.30pm) - KS2 —Back Playground
CHOIR	Wednesday (8.30 to 9.00am) - KS2—No charge
COOKERY	Wednesday (3.30 to 4.30pm) - KS1 & 2 - Hall - 5 Yrs and over
GARDENING	Wednesday (Lunchtime) - KS1 & KS2— No Charge
ART CLUB	Thursday (3.30 to 4.45pm) Yrs 2 to 6
FRENCH	Thursday/Friday - (Lunchtime) - KS1 & KS2 - Front playground
FOOTBALL	Friday—(3.30 to 4.30pm) - KS1 & KS2 - Back playground

MUSIC LESSONS—Woodwind/Piano/Violin (Private lessons in school time.)

Woodwind Lessons

Mrs Debont has spaces for pupils to learn the clarinet or saxophone (year3-6)

This term she gave a demonstration on both the clarinet and saxophone to pupils in years 3&4.

If your child is interested in learning, please email me and I can provide you with further information.

Or

Let the office know for further information.

Email:

melissadebont@yahoo.com

