



Charlton Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

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Friday 26th September 2025

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back to Charlton C of E Primary School after the summer break. It has been exciting to see all of the children settle into their new classes and take part in some exciting learning.

Year 5 had the amazing opportunity to visit the London Science Museum. The students explored fascinating exhibits, from the wonderlab to the Forces show. They engaged in hands-on activities and got to see some of the most famous sites of London—there was certainly a lot of noise when they saw the London Eye!

In a fantastic display of teamwork, Year 3 and 4 have been preparing for the Times Table Rockstar competition taking place on 10th October. The classrooms have been buzzing with energy. We wish them the best of luck!

Additionally, all classes have had delightful visits from Rosa and Mavis, our beloved therapy dogs. We would like to congratulate Rosa on her recent nomination for an award on Monday night; an award for animals who 'change people's lives'.

From Ancient Greece in Year 6 to Ferris wheels in Year 2, there has been lots of excitement in all classes about their new topics. Let's keep up the great work everyone!

Best wishes,

Mrs Pettersen, Mrs Moat and Mr Ives

Baby and Toddler Group

Baby and Toddler Group will run every Thursday morning during term time between 9am—10am



- ◆ Drink and snack for the little ones
- ◆ Activities, games and toys
- ◆ A chance to chat and meet new people



The first session will be held on Thursday 26th September

Please keep spreading the word—this is open to the whole community so please do bring friends and relatives with little ones.

Mrs Hazelden and Miss Kew



Pastoral Lead

Message from Miss Kew

Contact details:

Phone: school number and select line 2

Email: kkew@charltonprimary.school



As the Pastoral Lead at Charlton, I am available to support families in many different ways, whether this be any concerns for your child or your own wellbeing, difficulties at home and financial support which could consist of:

Food Bank: If anyone would like to access the food bank please do contact Miss Kew. Fuel Bank: This is accessible for pre-paid meters. Again, please do contact Miss Kew if you would like support with this.

Any support offered to you will always be treated with the strictest confidence.

Reminders:

Named Uniform

This term we seem to have a large pile of leftover uniform and unfortunately these items have no names on them which makes it difficult to return to the correct child. Please could you ensure that all uniform is named and checked regularly to ensure the name is still clear and visible.

Road Safety

Please ensure that you use the crossing, as we have been made aware of incidents of children crossing the road unsafely.

Attendance

Regular attendance is essential for your child's learning and well-being. The attendance target is 96%. Please be aware that holidays in term time will usually be unauthorised and a referral may be made to KCC for a Penalty Notice. Please see our Attendance Policy (on the website) for further guidance. Please ensure that you phone the Office to inform of your child's absence by 9:30am.

Communication

Please email (office@charltonprimary.school) or phone the office with any queries or to arrange an appointment with your child's teacher.

Collection from school

A reminder that all children, apart from Year 6, need to be collected from school by an adult. Year 6 children can walk home alone if their parents have given permission. These Year 6 children will be given a pass. Safeguarding is our highest priority. If parents have arranged for another adult to collect their child, the office must be informed and a message will be passed to the class teacher. Thank you for your support with keeping our children safe.

Morning Gate

Just a reminder that parents are not to enter the school grounds during morning drop off.

Attendance:

Duckling	94.2%	Jackdaw	96.7%
Wren	95.8%	Starling	96.1%
Robin	90.5%	Owl	96%
Swan	85.6%	Whole School	93.4%

Certificates:



Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded a certificate. Well done!

Duckling: Maisie, Henry D and Zubair
Wren: Skye, Gracie and Marcelina
Robin: Callum, Grace Y and Noah
Swan: Madhav, Amelia and Isla
Jackdaw: Korede, Jacob Wa and Samuel
Starling: Esmae, Rupert and Rozi
Owl: Willow, Darcie and Brody

House Points:

<u>Diamonds</u>	<u>Emeralds</u>	<u>Rubies</u>	<u>Sapphires</u>
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Congratulations to Sapphires

Diary Dates

Date	Event	Year groups
Tuesday 30th September	Reception Tours for September 2026—9:30am	
Wednesday 1st October	Reception Tours for September 2026—2:00pm	
Friday 3rd October	Year 1 Trip to Connaught Park	Wren Class
Monday 6th October	Years 4 and 5 Tudor Day	Jackdaw and Starling Classes
Tuesday 7th October	Reception Tours for September 2026—2:00pm	
Wednesday 8th October	Reception Tours for September 2026—6:00pm	
Friday 10th October	Hello Yellow Day	Whole School
Tuesday 14th October	Harvest Festival at Charlton Church—2:00pm	Whole School
Wednesday 15th October	Reception Tours for September 2026—9:30am	
Friday 17th October	Last Day of Term 1	Whole School
Monday 27th October	First Day of Term 2	Whole School
Monday 27th October	Year R and 6 Measurement Screenings	Duckling and Owl Classes
Wednesday 29th October	Reception Tours for September 2026—6:00pm	
Monday 3rd November	Flu Vaccinations	Whole School (if parents have given consent)



Folkestone Model Railway Club

MODEL RAILWAY EXHIBITION

Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone, CT20 2DZ
Sat 4th & Sun 5th October 2025, 10am-5pm

ADULT (16+): £8, CHILD(5-15): £4, FAMILY: £22



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Our whole school Harvest Festival will take place on Tuesday 14th October at 2:00pm. This will be held at Charlton Church which is located on St Alphege Road, Dover. As part of our celebration, we are collecting non-perishable food and hygiene items for Dover Food Bank. Any donations will be much appreciated and we look forward to you joining us for an afternoon of celebration.



Clubs for Term 1

Monday	Games Club—Ms Lanigan—Years 5 and 6 Children can wear their PE kit to school on this day	29th September 6th October
Thursday	Dungeons and Dragons Club—Mr Ives—Years 5 and 6 6 children to begin with but will increase to 12 later in the term	2nd October 9th October
Thursday	Games Club—Ms Lanigan—Years 3 and 4 Children can wear their PE kit to school on this day	2nd October 9th October

PE for Term 1

Please see below for this term's PE schedule:

Monday	Year 3
Tuesday	Year 4
Wednesday	Year 1 Year 6 Swimming
Thursday	Year 5
Friday	Reception Year 2 Year 6

Children can still come to school wearing their PE kits consisting of:

White t-shirt

Navy blue/ black shorts/ tracksuit bottoms/ leggings

Trainers

School jumper/ fleece/ hoody

Jewellery: only studs are to be worn in school. Hoops are unsafe at school due to the risk of tearing during playtimes and games. Children/ parents will be asked to remove hoops