



Charlton Church of England Primary School

Newsletter

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

As we approach the half-term break, I am delighted to share some exciting updates from our vibrant school life. Our Year 6 pupils have just returned from their residential trip to Thriftwood Scout Camp, where they engaged in thrilling activities such as zip-lining, pedal-kart racing, and hide-and-seek in the woods. These experiences not only foster teamwork and resilience but also create lasting memories for our pupils.

We've also been celebrating physical activity through Mo's Mission, with numerous certificates awarded to our enthusiastic participants. It's wonderful to see our pupils embracing an active lifestyle and reaping the benefits of regular exercise.

I am consistently impressed by the fantastic progress evident across all classes. The pupils' positive attitudes towards learning and their exemplary behaviour are a testament to the supportive environment we've cultivated at Charlton. Our dedicated team of staff continues to go above and beyond in nurturing our pupils' potential.

As we look ahead to the half-term break, I encourage everyone to stay safe and hope for some sunshine. Upon our return, we have an exciting term ahead with numerous events planned. Please keep an eye on the Class Dojo calendar for updates and details of these upcoming activities.

I wish you all a restful and enjoyable half-term break. Remember, we return to school on Monday, 2nd June.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement in our school community. Together, we are shaping a bright future for our pupils.

Best wishes, Mrs Pettersen, Mrs Moat, Mr Ives and Mrs Plummer

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	88.3%	Jackdaw	93.7%
Wren	88.3%	Starling	93.9%
Robin	92.5%	Owl	95.4%
Swan	94.4%	Whole School	93%

Certificates:



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

Duckling: Alfie, Maisie and all Ducklings
Wren: Imal, Grace L and Rory
Robin: Daniella and Ted
Swan: Nela, Pachu and Jack
Jackdaw: Harper, Lacey and Parker
Starling: Ruby and Elizabeth
Owl: Eugene and all Owls for SATs

House Points:

<u>Diamonds</u>	<u>Emeralds</u>	<u>Rubies</u>	<u>Sapphires</u>
528	646	643	674

Congratulations to Sapphires

Diary Dates

Date	Event	Year groups
Friday 23rd May	Last Day of Term 5	Whole School
Monday 2nd June	First Day of Term 6	Whole School
Wednesday 11th June	Year 4 trip to Betteshanger	Jackdaw Class
Thursday 12th June	Empathy Day	Whole School
Monday 23d June	Year 4 Visit to Fort Burgoyne	Jackdaw Class
Friday 27th June	Sports Day at The Danes (Details to follow)	Whole School
Friday 4th July	Summer Fair 3:00—5:00	Whole School
Monday 14th July	Rocksteady Concert at 9:00 am	Parents of Rock steady children
Monday 14th July	Year 6 Bikeability	Owl Class
Wednesday 16th July	Year 4 Trip to Marlowe Theatre— The Lion, The Witch and the Ward- robe	Jackdaw Class
Friday 18th July	Last Day of Term 6	Whole School

Year 6 Leavers Activities

Wednesday 16th July

6:00—Year 6 Production to parents

Thursday 17th July

1:30—Leavers Service in Charlton Church

6:00—Prom

GREAT
FARTHINGLOE
FARM, FOLKESTONE
ROAD, DOVER, CT15
7AA

50p
per
adult entry

BOOTFAIR

£10 PER BOOT

TRADERS
WELCOME

6AM-12PM



DATES

5th Of April	17th Of May	28th of June	16th Of August
26th Of April	24th Of May	12th Of July	30th Of August
3rd Of May	31st Of May	19th Of July	11th October
10th Of May	7th Of June	26th Of July	18th October

Clubs for Term 6

Wednesday	Multi-Sports—Dynamic Sports—Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 There is a total cost of this trip of £36, booking information can be found on Dojo	11th June 18th June 25th June 2nd July 9th July 16th July
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	12th June 19th June 26th June 3rd July 10th July
Thursday	Computing Club—Mrs Plummer—Years 3 and 4	12th June 19th June 26th June 3rd July 10th July

PE for Term 6

Please see below for this term's PE schedule:

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

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Children's Events Coming Soon to Dover District Libraries

All events are free. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Deal Library , Broad Street, CT14 6ER

Telephone 03000 41 31 31 Email deallibrary@kent.gov.uk

Elmer Story Time and Craft,

Saturday, 24 May, 11 am – 11.30 am, for ages 4-7 years.

Spreading the Wings of Spring – Children's Craft Activity

27 May, 11 – 12.30 pm , suitable for ages 4 – 11 years.

Wolf in the City, Story and Craft Work Shop with the author/illustrator Emily Wolf

Sunday, 1 June, 10.30 am – 11.30 am, suitable for ages 3 – 7 years. Signed copies of the book will be available to purchase at the event.

Lego Club, Saturdays, 11 am – midday. Suitable from 5 years of age.

Dover Library, Castle Street, CT16 1PD

Telephone 03000 41 31 31 Email doverlibrary@kent.gov.uk

Elmer Story Time, Games and Craft

Thursday, 29 May, 10.15 – 12.30 pm. Suitable for ages 4 – 11 years

Lego Club

Saturdays, fortnightly , 10.30 am – midday, for ages 8 upwards. Please contact Dover Library for dates.

Folkestone, Hythe & District Model Railway Club

Model Railway Open Day



AN OPEN DAY FOR MODEL TRAIN ENTHUSIASTS OF ALL AGES!

Saturday 12 July

10am to 4pm

St Andrews Methodist Church Hall,
Cheriton Road, Cheriton, CT19 4DY

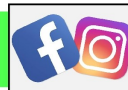
Adult : £1
Child (15 & under): Free
Children under 10 to be accompanied
by an adult.



Model Railway Layouts
Drive-it-Yourself Model Railway
"Ride-on" Railway
Sales Stand
Refreshments



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FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENTS May Half-Term

EXPLORE THE WESTERN HEIGHTS!

TUESDAY 27TH MAY, 10.30AM – 12.30PM

Discover the wildlife and history of Western Heights with Ranger Lauren. Create a journey stick to remember your visit and have a go at completing a scavenger hunt to claim a treat!



POND DIPPING AT ROMNEY WARREN

WEDNESDAY 28TH MAY, 2 – 3.30PM

Join us at the Romney Warren for a captivating afternoon of pond dipping with Rangers Lewis and James where you'll uncover the hidden wonders beneath the water's surface.

LIVELY LIZARDS AT FORT BURGOWNE

FRIDAY 30TH MAY, 10 – 11.30AM & 1 – 2.30PM

In conjunction with Fort Burgoyne Open Day, explore hidden corners of the Fort with Rangers Jasmine and Matt as we seek out the elusive slow worms and common lizards.



ORCHID WALK AT SAMPHIRE HOE

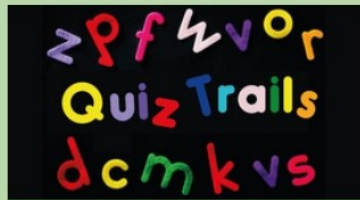
SATURDAY 31ST MAY, 2 – 1.30PM

Come along to Samphire Hoe for a family walk to discover the orchids that grow there. Play the orchid pollination game and make your own paper orchid to take home!



Booking is essential. Visit whitecliffscountryside.org.uk or scan the QR code to book.

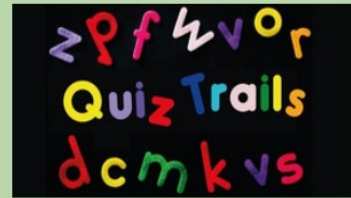




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FAMILY FUN DAY FESTIVAL

SATURDAY
12TH JULY

MIDDAY UNTIL 6:30PM

ALL AGES WELCOME

FREE
ENTRY

Dover Rugby Club
40 Crabble Rd,
Dover,
CT17 0QE

ALL PROCEEDS TO



MEET
STITCH!



LIVE MUSIC

BARNSTORMERS (PUNK/INDIE)

KIM JENKINS

ELLIE LOUISE MUSIC

IZZY WOODLAND

MAGICIAN

FACE PAINTING



BOUNCY CASTLE

FUN & GAMES

FOOD STALLS

Plus, Penalty Shootout, Gladiator Duel, Sensory Bubble House,
Meet The Rescue Hedgehogs, Raffle, Tombola, Stalls
& Lots More

BUZZERS ACADEMIES May half-term 2025



Fencing • Circus Skills • Gymnastics • Sports • Archery • Boxing
Percussion • Taekwondo • Dance • Science • First Aid • Cooking

Where?

BECKENHAM - Clare House Primary School, Overbury Avenue, Beckenham, BR3 6PY

BEXLEYHEATH - Upland Primary School, Church Road, Bexleyheath, DA7 4DG

BICKLEY - St George's Primary School, Pembroke Road, Bromley, BR1 2RL

BROMLEY - St Mark's Primary School, Aylesbury Road, Bromley, BR2 0GR

CROYDON - Gresham Primary School, Limsfield Road, South Croydon, CR2 9EA

DARTFORD - River Mill Primary School, Central Road, Dartford, DA1 5XR

HAYES - Pickhurst Junior Academy, Pickhurst Lane, West Wickham, BR4 0HL

WEST WICKHAM - Oak Lodge Primary School, Chamberlain Crescent, West Wickham, BR4 0LJ

Who?

Boys and Girls aged 4 (Reception class) to 12

When?

Tuesday 27th to Friday 30th May 2025

8.30am-5.30pm (Extended day) or 10am-4pm (Camp day)

Price?

£37 per day (Camp day)

£7 morning extended hours & £7 afternoon extended hours

BOOK: www.buzzersacademies.co.uk ENQUIRE: camps@buzzers.org.uk



WHEN?

February half-term

Easter holiday

May half-term

Summer holiday

October half-term

Christmas



Our Buzzers Camps are aimed at children aged 4 to 12 years and are tailored to suit all sporting interests and abilities. All our Camps are based around **Sports and Multi-Activity Team Games**.

Each day of our Camps are tailored to ensure, inclusion and maximum participation in a **fun and safe** environment. Our team will ensure that all children make **new friends**, are **physically active** and have **their say** on the Camp day-to-day activities.

Throughout the Camp week, there will also be various **'Special Events'** such as Archery, Science, Pottery Painting, Fencing, Taekwondo, Cooking, Sand Art, Circus Skills, First Aid and Inflatables.

All Buzzers Camp staff hold enhanced DBS certificates and are trained in First Aid, Safeguarding Children and Child Protection. All senior (Lead) Buzzers staff come from a school based PE teaching background, therefore each Camp day will have a **'learning outcome'** focused around:

- ABC's (Agility, Balance & Co-ordination)
- Communication Skills
- Leadership
- Team Building

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