| | Monday 6th July 2026 | Tuesday 7th July 2026 | Wednesday 8th July 2026 | Thursday 9th July 2026 | Friday 10th July 2026 |
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| **Whole School** | | | Optional parent drop in to discuss reports after school | PTFA Summer Disco<br>KS1 5-6pm<br>KS2 6-7pm | **Mother Earth Statue Installation – all welcome – on field 3.15pm** |
| **Year R** - Cherry | Forest School | PE kit required - Yoga Workshop | **Return phonics reading books** | | |
| **Year 1** - Apple | **Return phonics reading books**<br><br>Mrs Andrews teaching all day | PE kit required - Yoga Workshop | PE kit required<br><br>Leading Worship @ 2.45pm | **Return phonics reading books** | PE kit required |
| **Year 2** - Chestnut | | PE kit required - Yoga Workshop | PE kit required | | |
| **Year 3** - Oak | | | PE kit required | PE kit required | |
| **Year 4** - Willow | Rob Mayne<br>PE kit required | PE kit required | | | |
| **Year 5** - Birch | | | | PE kit required<br><br>Locality Sports – for named children. Parents collect from Southbourne Juniors at 3pm | PE kit required |
| **Year 6** – London Plane | | PE kit required | | Locality Sports – for named children. Parents collect from Southbourne Juniors at 3pm | PE kit required |
| **Worship** | Mr Olway | KS1 P&P<br>KS2 in class | Apple class | Mr Chesshire | Achievers Assembly |
| Before school clubs | Breakfast Club | Breakfast Club | Breakfast Club<br>Theatre Arts | Breakfast Club | Breakfast Club |
| After school clubs | Basketball<br>Arts & Crafts | 360 Sports<br>Arts & Crafts | Football<br>Science&Nature | Racket Sports<br>Construction | Dodgeball<br>Board Games |
| Instruments | | Rocksteady | Flute<br>Violin | | Guitar |

**TAKE 5!**

1. End-of-year reports are being sent home today, and teachers will be available for optional discussions after school on Wednesday 8th July.
2. The Summer Fair raised an impressive £2,406.40, reflecting the strength of the school community.
3. New classes met for the first time this week, and several new pupils have been warmly welcomed.
4. Please return all library books from 13th July – no more will be sent home after this week.
5. Hot weather forecast next week so remember hats, water bottles and sun cream before school!

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## A note from Mr Olway

Today you will receive your child's end-of-year report, which captures their attainment and effort across the year. I have genuinely enjoyed reading every single report and reflecting on the many achievements of our children across the school. There has been so much to celebrate! If you have any questions, teachers will be available straight after school on Wednesday 8th July for you to speak to. This is not an additional parents' evening and is entirely optional. If you would prefer a more confidential or detailed conversation, please email your child's teacher and we will arrange a phone call.

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Summer Fair last weekend. Together we raised an incredible **£2,406.40**! This is a fantastic testament to the strength of our community and what we can achieve when we come together. I am sorry I didn't manage to speak to everyone; I was having a 'flipping' good time on the BBQ getting all those burgers and hot dogs ready!

Wednesday was one of my favourite days of the year, as we spent the morning with our new classes. We 'boarded a time machine' and reflected on the story of The Workers in the Vineyard. Jesus teaches us that in the Kingdom of God, the first will be last and the last will be first—a powerful message as we welcomed several new children and reminded everyone that they are loved and that they belong at Chidham regardless of being at our school for one day or 500 days! Wednesday was also the day our new Cherry class came together on the field for the Teddy Bear Picnic. It was a wonderful event, with a teddy bear hunt, games and picnics!

The School Library Service van visited this week, and we swapped over 100 books, so there are lots of exciting new titles to enjoy. **Please can all library books be returned from 13th July onwards to support our end-of-year audit.**

Next week is the penultimate full week of term (remember we finish on Tuesday 21st July), and there is lots to look forward to. In particular, note the **final disco** of the year on Thursday 9th July:

**5–6pm for Years R, 1 and 2**

**6–7pm for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6**

On Friday 10th July, we will be unveiling the Mother Earth Statue on the field after school. I would love as many families as possible to join us for this special moment. I am also hopeful that there will be an opportunity to see the outcome of the Challenge 2026 fundraising event from March!!!

Next week is set to be another warm one. Although forecasts are currently just below 30°C, we will continue to monitor conditions closely and take appropriate steps to keep your children safe, including using our air-conditioned classrooms and reducing time spent in direct sun if necessary.

I hope you have a wonderful weekend. I look forward to seeing everyone on Monday morning—hopefully bright-eyed and ready to go… although with England playing this week, I suspect there may be a few late nights! Let's hope any under-eye bags are the result of celebrations rather than extra time and penalties… Come on England!

Mr ☺lway

### LAST DAY OF TERM REMINDER – Tuesday 21st July - 1.15pm collection

Please can we remind you that children are encouraged to be collected at 1.15pm on Tuesday 21st July which is the last day of term. We know not all families can do this so if your child needs to stay at school, please can you complete this form.

Please let us know if you cannot collect your child at 1.15pm on Tuesday 21st July. – Fill in form

Children who stay at school will be supervised in classrooms.

# Helping with Road Safety in Chidham Lane

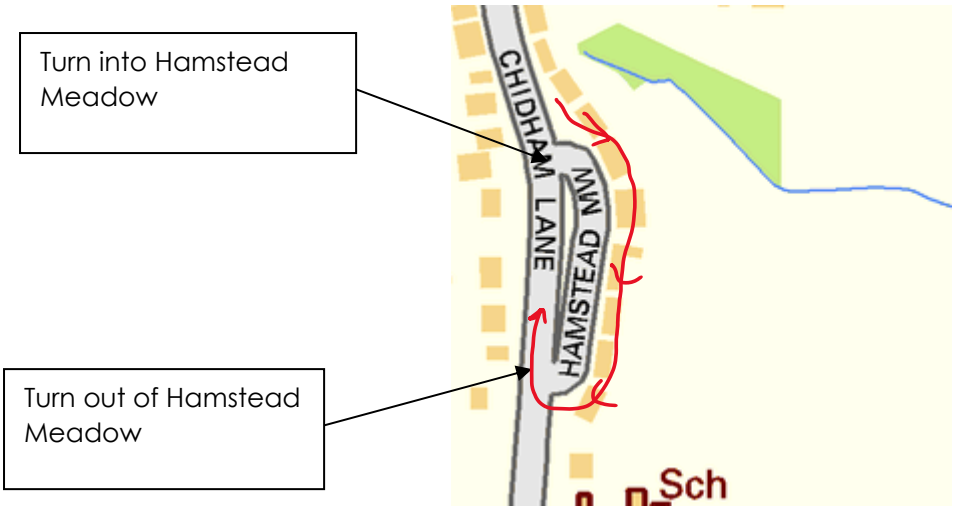
Chidham School is nestled along a beautiful country lane, and we are incredibly fortunate to enjoy such a wonderful rural setting. Our location is a treasured part of the school's identity, and we are committed to doing all we can to protect and preserve the local environment. To help keep Chidham Lane safe and accessible during our busy drop-off and collection times, we greatly value the support of our school community. By working together, we can ensure that everyone is able to arrive and leave safely while minimising the impact on our local area.

On Tuesday, I returned to school from The Bourne at 3.15pm and experienced Chidham Lane at one of its busiest times. I was pleased to see how effective the one-way system was. It made the journey much smoother and helped prevent congestion, allowing families to leave the school site more easily.

As we approach the end of the school year, I would like to thank families for their continued support and take this opportunity to remind everyone of our Good Travel Agreement and the one-way system. When followed, it works extremely well and helps us keep our school community safe while protecting the character of our lovely village environment.

**<u>One Way System</u>**

Here at Chidham we are extremely fortunate to have a one-way system round Hamstead Meadow. The diagram below illustrates how our drop off system works:




**<u>Parking</u>**

Parking is at a premium so we also ask that the following points be adhered to:

1. Parents/carers **never park on the zig-zag yellow lines – this is against the law and will not be tolerated.** The zig zag lines are there for the children's safety, please keep them clear at all times. We report parents who do not follow this rule to the Police.
2. Parents/carers **do not park in the private staff parking area**. This is leased to the school and the land owners do not give permission for parents or visitors to park here.
3. Parents/carers **do not block the driveways** of local residents. They need to get in and out of their houses
4. Drivers **do not reverse out of roads or carry out u-turns in the road** – reversing out of drives or turning round in congested areas places increased risk to pedestrians, please ensure safety is always paramount.
5. Please remember that **park and walk** are your best options – this is available from 3 locations: The Village Hall, The Bosham Inn or St Wilfrid's Church in Broad Road.
6. **Avoid parking on the pavement** – we appreciate that sometimes this is unavoidable, but try to ensure the pavements aren't blocked for pedestrians.
7. **Car Share** – come to school with a friend! Each time we car share, we cut the number of cars in Chidham Lane by half. This really helps.

**Please can I remind you that the school <u>always</u> promotes safe and respectful driving and we will side with local residents who have been negatively affected by drivers to and from our school.**

SUMMER DISCO
Chidham Parochial Primary School PTFA
THURSDAY 9TH JULY
KS1 5-6PM
KS2 6-7PM
£4.50 PER CHILD
Includes squash, crisps and ice pop
CRISPS
ICE POP

## Worship this week

This week in collective worship, we explored Jesus' parable of the workers in the vineyard, where everyone received the same pay regardless of how long they had worked. This helped the children reflect on God's generosity and the idea that kindness is not always about strict fairness. We discussed how everyone is equally valued and cared for, regardless of when they begin or what they achieve, reminding us that each person is important and belongs.

| **Worship theme for next week:** | Talents: Matthew 25, 14-30 |
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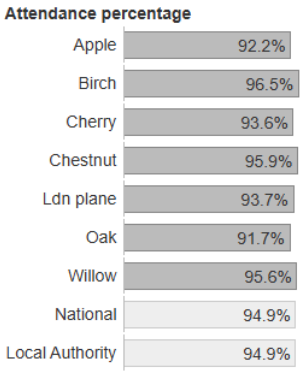


## Spring Term Attendance

With the heat last week, attendance did drop but it was important that families made the decision which they felt was right to keep their children safe. Although temperatures are still forecast to be warm, I'd like to reassure you we can keep children safe and comfortable in school with the air-conditioned classrooms and appropriate supervision and drinks breaks which children all access at the same time.

| **Our attendance for this year:** | **94%** |
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## The Big Future – Consultation from The Children's Commissioner

We are encouraging all families to take part in *The Big Future* – a national survey led by the Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel de Souza, giving children and young people the chance to share their views on issues that matter to them. With more than a million children now referred to mental health services, it has never been more important that young people's voices are heard before decisions are made about their future. If your child hasn't already completed the survey in school, please take a few minutes to support them to do so at home. Every response helps to build a clearer picture of childhood today. Any child at Chidham can contribute either on their own or with help from an adult. You can access the survey here: https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture

SUMMER FAIR
GRAND TOTAL RAISED
AN INCREDIBLE
£2,406.40
THANK YOU
TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED, HELPED AND SUPPORTED!
FUN
GAMES
STALLS
TREATS

Online Safety Weekly Update

Alan Mackenzie
Online Safety Specialist

## Online Safety

Alan Mackenzie, an online safety specialist, has sent us this useful information to share with parents.

### For Parents - Social Media Ban and Online Safety Measures

As we're all probably aware by now, the UK government announced a social media ban for under 16's, to come into force from Spring 2027. Whilst many are applauding this, many more are not. Part of the problem is that there are very few hard facts: what does this actually mean in practice, which platforms, what does it mean for families and much more.

Internet Matters have put a big article together exploring these questions and more which I think many parents will find useful.

Link: Social Media Ban and Online Safety Measures

### Surfers Against Sewage

Thanks for all your support for the 'Wake Up To Water' day where the children wore their PJs into school. We raised £145.20 for Surfers Against Sewage. I wanted to share some kind words which Adam, who made us aware of the charity and the work they do, shared with us:

*I just wanted to again say thank you very much for organising the fundraiser for Surfers Against Sewage. I loved the PJ theme, was a great idea by your class! The money raised, allows SAS to push for change and continue to allow our Safer Seas and River Service app to be free to use and allow people information when they use the water spaces that they love.*

*You should be very proud of all the hard work you and the class have put in to the Plastic Free Schools initiative. It is great to see an initial idea come to life and far exceed expectations.*

## Sustainability / Eco Information

Parents can access further information from the Wastebuster website via the following link [Join Wastebuster | Wastebuster]

We have achieved the Ambassador Award for the West Sussex Planet Protector Challenge for 2025-2026.

We are now looking at what challenges we can take part in for the academic year 2026-2027 to ensure we continue with our whole school approach to sustainability.

west sussex county council
CHICHESTER District Council
Chichester's
EMERGENCY SERVICES
ARMED FORCES
AND COMMUNITY DAY
Oaklands Park
Sunday 2nd
August 2026
10am – 4pm
FREE ENTRY
West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service
NHS South East Coast Ambulance Service
Maritime & Coastguard Agency
ARMY BE THE BEST
ROYAL AIR FORCE
ROYAL NAVY
Chichester BID

Chichester Forest SCHOOLS
WILD WEDNESDAYS!
Summer Holidays!
Drop-off session for ages 5-11
Wed 29 July, 5, 12, 19 August.
Brandy Hole Copse, Chichester
10-3
£39 per child
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