



Chittlehampton C of E Primary School

Fortnightly Newsletter

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Our Vision

A caring, learning community, fulfilling potential and achieving excellence together guided by our Christian Values.

Creativity **Courage** **Endurance** **Forgiveness** **Friendship** **Wisdom**

Last week we celebrated *Endurance*:

Ella: for her mature attitude to learning

Ava: for persevering even when work is hard

This week we celebrated *Creativity*:

Fred: for his fantastic problem solving

On Tuesday we say goodbye to Mrs Cook as she returns to her previous career in nursing. Mrs Cook has been with us for over five years and will be greatly missed.....even her jokes!!!

Bikeability

Last week our Year 5&6 children took part in a Bikeability course. They had a great day gaining practical skills and understanding how to cycle safely on our roads. The instructors were so complimentary about our group of children and said they were a credit to their parents and our school. Well done girls!

Year 6 Secondary School Transfer

The application system to apply for Year 7 in September 2021 is now open. The closing date is **31st October 2020**. Applications can be made by using the online at Devon County Council www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline or by contacting the education helpline on 0345 155 1019 to request an application form.

Chittlehampton Play Area

The children's play area behind Chittlehampton village hall is currently closed due to the age and condition of the equipment making it unsafe to be used. This has been well publicised around the village and there is a notice on the entrance, which has been sealed off. However, it has come to the parish council's attention that some children are still using the equipment in spite of it being unsafe to do so. The parish council is arranging for the equipment to be removed but until then **parents must not allow their children to enter the play area** as it is closed and the equipment is unsafe to use.

Census Day Funding

Thursday 1st October is School Census Day and we would like to encourage all of our children to have a school dinner on this day. The October School Census is used to determine our allocation of funds for 2020/21 from Devon County Council and school dinner uptake is a major indicator for these funds. If we can encourage as many of our pupils as possible to have a school dinner on this day this will impact our schools financial position and ultimately benefit our pupils. Our school funding is also greatly influenced by the number of pupils eligible for Free School Meals. This is a separate funding pot from the Universal Infant Free Meals that pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive. Free School Meals (FSM) generate Pupil Premium income which is used to support those families who are eligible, or have been eligible at any time in the past 6 years. Families eligible for FSM can apply on-line through the Devon County Council free school meal website: <https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-meals> or by telephone on 0345 1551019. Please consider applying for FSM if you believe you may be entitled as it really does make a difference to our school, thank you.

Congratulations

We would like to congratulate a previous pupil at Chittlehampton School. During lockdown Noah entered a short story competition that was organized by the International Agatha Christie Festival. Noah won first prize for the young writers category and received a certificate, several books written by one of the judges and an iPad Mini engraved with his name and story title.

If you would like to hear Noah's great story being read by actress Amanda-Jade Tyler please follow the link https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KgN5uPErvOo&fbclid=IwAR2gDD9E9mcSC3RZ5psg0ndS2KfCr_JuKcW0CPP9_a4cAkMNIYKd9o0L3K8



Harvest Festival - Thursday 1st October

This year we are unable to have our traditional service in church and therefore we will have a service in school just for the children next Thursday. As in previous years we will be asking for donations of dried goods for the North Devon Food-bank. Please bring in your donations on the Thursday morning, thank you.

Diary Dates

19th October - Flu Nasal Vaccination Year R - 6
26th-31st October - Half Term
3rd November - Individual Photographs
21st December - 1st January 2021 Christmas Holidays
4th January 2021 - Non Pupil Day
5th January 2021 - Non Pupil Day

Schools advice to parents and carers

Keeping our children, schools and communities safe

Currently only people with COVID-19 symptoms need to get tested:

- A high temperature
- OR new, continuous cough
- OR loss or change to sense of smell or taste

Visit the 111 [online symptom checker](#) and [check the government website](#) for changes to testing guidance.

People without COVID-19 symptoms don't need to get tested, unless asked to by a health professional, even if they are a 'close contact' of someone who tests positive. Close contacts should isolate for 14 days and only get tested if they develop COVID-19 symptoms.

Stay up to date with the latest coronavirus (COVID-19) advice in Devon at devon.cc/covid-19 and sign up to receive updates at devon.cc/connectme

| What if... | You need to... | Return to school... |
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| My child has COVID-19 symptoms? | <p>Keep your child at home and tell school they have COVID-19 symptoms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get your child tested and tell school the result. • Self-isolate whole household while waiting for test result (If unable to get a test, child must self-isolate for 10 days from when their symptoms started and rest of household must self-isolate for 14 days) | <p>if your child's test result is negative and they feel completely well. They should be without a high temperature for at least 24 hours.</p> |
| My child tests positive for COVID-19? | <p>Keep your child at home and tell school test result</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-isolate your child for 10 days from when their symptoms started (or from day of test if no symptoms). • Self isolate your whole household for 14 days from when your child's symptoms started (or from day of test if no symptoms) even if someone else in the household tests negative during that time. | <p>after completing 10 days self-isolation and they feel completely well. They should be without a high temperature for at least 24 hours. They can return to school even with a cough or loss/change of taste or smell as these symptoms can last for several weeks after the infection has gone.</p> |

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| What if... | You need to... | Return to school... |
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| Someone in my household has COVID-19 symptoms? | <p>Keep your child at home and tell school a household member has COVID-19 symptoms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Household member with symptoms should get tested. Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result (If unable to get a test, household member with symptoms must self-isolate for 10 days from when their symptoms started and rest of household must self-isolate for 14 days). | when the household member's test result is negative, and your child does not have any COVID-19 symptoms. |
| Someone in my household tests positive for COVID-19? | <p>Keep your child at home and tell school test result</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from when this person's symptoms started (or from day of test if no symptoms) even if someone else in the household tests negative during that time. | when your child has completed 14 days self-isolation (even if they test negative during that time) and does not have any COVID-19 symptoms. |
| NHS Test and Trace identifies my child as a 'close contact' of someone who tests positive for COVID-19? | <p>Keep your child at home and tell school</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self isolate your child for 14 days (even if they test negative during that time). Rest of household doesn't need to self-isolate, unless they are a 'close contact' too. | when your child has completed 14 days self-isolation (even if they test negative during that time) and does not have any COVID-19 symptoms. |
| We have travelled and must self-isolate due to quarantine rules? | <p>Keep your child at home and tell school</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Household members that travelled must self-isolate for 14 days, even if someone tests negative in that time. Please do not take unauthorised leave during term, and consider quarantine requirements and government advice when booking travel. | when your child has completed 14 days self-isolation (even if they test negative during that time) and does not have any COVID-19 symptoms. |
| We receive advice from a medical/ official source that my child must resume shielding? | <p>Keep your child at home and contact school to discuss</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shield your child until you are told that restrictions are lifted, and shielding is paused again. | when you are told that restrictions are lifted, and shielding is paused again. |
| My child has a runny/ stuffy nose or sore throat, but does not have COVID-19 symptoms | <p>Think about whether your child is well enough to go to school or not</p> | If you think your child is well enough, and they do not have any symptoms of COVID-19. Use the NHS111 symptom checker if you're not sure |



For a more accessible version of this information please visit devon.cc/covid19-school-absence and if you require this information in another format or language please email communications@devon.gov.uk

Symptoms checker

Only people with COVID-19 symptoms need to get tested –

A high temperature

OR new, continuous cough

OR loss or change to sense of smell or taste

Use the NHS 111 [online symptom checker](#) if you're not sure.

| Symptoms | COVID-19 Mild to severe | Cold Gradual onset | Flu Rapid onset |
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| Fever/high temperature (37.8°C or above) | Common | Rare | Common |
| New cough | Common (usually dry and continuous) | Sometimes | Common (usually dry) |
| Recent loss or change to sense of taste or smell | Common | Rare | No |
| Fatigue | Sometimes (common in children) | Sometimes | Common |
| Sneezing | No | Common | No |
| Aches and pains | Sometimes | Common | Common |
| Runny or stuffy nose | Rare | Common | Sometimes |
| Sore throat | Sometimes | Common | Sometimes |
| Diarrhoea | Rare (sometimes for children) | No | Sometimes (for children) |
| Headaches | Sometimes | Rare | Common |
| Shortness of breath | Sometimes | No | No |

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