



CHAWTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2 NEWSLETTER 2026

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Let all that you do, be done in love.
1 Corinthians 16:14

A Word from Mrs Doyle

As we come to the end of a successful and memorable term, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our pupils, staff, and families for their continued support and commitment to our school community.

We are especially proud of our incredible Year 6 pupils. They have shown maturity, resilience, and enthusiasm throughout their time with us, and it has been a privilege to watch them grow.

As we say goodbye and they begin their next exciting journey at secondary school, we will miss them greatly. They leave with our warmest wishes and the confidence that they will continue to shine. Good Luck Year 6!

This term has been filled with enriching and enjoyable experiences, including our vibrant Colour Run, the Year 6 trip to Paultons Park, and the inspiring Alton Arts Festival Week. These events have showcased the enthusiasm of our pupils and the dedication of our staff and PTA. As we look ahead to the summer break, I wish all our families a restful and enjoyable holiday. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September and are excited to greet our new Year R pupils as they begin their time with us.

Best wishes,
Mrs Doyle



We are a FISH and NUT free school. Please ensure your child's lunch DOES NOT contain FISH or NUTS, including prawn cocktail flavour e.g. Skips.

PTA Annual Colour run

What a truly incredible day we had hosting our first ever Colour Run! Thank you to our fabulous school community who came out in force and made it a truly memorable event for the children full of laughter, smiles, fellowship and an awful lot of paint!



Welcome

We are delighted to extend a very warm welcome to Mrs Chattell, who will be joining us as Chestnut Class teacher in September. Mrs Chattell brings with her a wealth of extensive teaching experience, and we are confident she will be a wonderful addition to our school community. We look forward to welcoming her to Chawton and to the enthusiasm, expertise, and care she will bring to our pupils.



Farewells

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks and warmest best wishes to **Mr Butcher, Mrs Baverstock and Mrs Mellon-Backhouse** as they move on to new chapters in their careers.

Mr Butcher has been with us as a SCITT student since April 2025. We are delighted that he has now qualified as an ECT and has secured a teaching position closer to home.

We are incredibly proud of all he has achieved during his time with us.

Mrs Baverstock joined our school in September 2024 and has made a wonderful contribution throughout her time here. She has chosen a new career path and will be moving on to support the SEN department at Hampshire County Council. We know she will bring great dedication to her new role.

Mrs Mellon-Backhouse has been at our school since September 2023 as classroom support and also Special Needs support. She has worked tirelessly in the classroom and the staff and children will miss her enthusiasm and smile. She is moving on to become a qualified Dyslexia Specialist Teacher, which has been an ambition of hers for many years. We are sure she will be a great success.

We thank them all for their hard work, positivity, and commitment to our school community, and we wish them every success in their new positions. They will be greatly missed.

Kindness Ambassador

We would also like to recognise our kindness ambassador's for this term who helped the PTA team prepare the playground for our new PE shed!

**Lyra
Maddie
Forrest
Oscar P
Jenson**

Forest School Timetable

From September 2026:

Tuesday: Maple

Wednesday: Sycamore

Thursday: Oak

Friday: Maple



As the weather is still unpredictable, we want to remind parents / carers of children in Forest School that long sleeves and trousers—or waterproof trousers—are essential for children during forest school. This precaution helps protect against ticks, ensuring a safer experience for all.

Children must have their arms and legs covered to participate in these activities. Our risk assessment, along with NHS guidance, supports this advice to promote health and safety.

Thank you for your cooperation.

<https://Be Tick Aware PDF Gov.uk>

School Dinners

Our menu will change to a Winter Menu from after October half term and as soon as it is available we will let you know. Unfortunately, due to rising food and transport costs globally, **the cost of a school meal will be increasing from September to £3.25 per meal.** This still represents good value for money, and the meals are all freshly cooked daily and meet the Governments nutritional standards. Children in Oak and Maple classes continue to be eligible for Universal Infant Free School Meals. Remember to check your eligibility for Free School Meals using our Eligibility Checker on our website.

Our latest school menu can be found on our website here:

<https://www.chawton.hants.sch.uk/caterlink-menus-and-food-related-topics>

Sports Week

As part of our Sports Week celebrations, every class enjoyed a week of exciting sporting games and activities led by Soccer Schools. The children had great fun developing their skills, working as a team and trying a range of different challenges which was more inclusive for those children who don't always enjoy more traditional sports day races. They were also brilliantly supported throughout the week by our fantastic Sports Captains.

On Wednesday 15th July, we invited parents and carers to come and watch the morning's activities, along with some of the Sports Leaders from Eggars, before everyone enjoyed a picnic together on the school field. Thank you so much to all of you who were able to come along and support the children, we had some fantastic feedback from parents and will consider including this in next year's calendar of events.

It was a wonderful week filled with fun, teamwork and smiles. A big thank you to Soccer Schools, our Sports Captains and everyone who helped make Sports Week such a success!



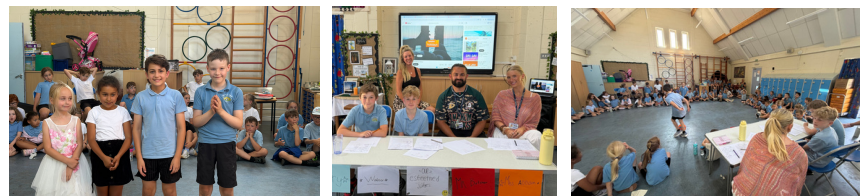
Yr 6 Visit Paultons Park

To celebrate the end of their time at Chawton, our Year 6 pupils enjoyed an exciting trip to Paultons Park. It was a fantastic day filled with laughter, fun and plenty of thrilling rides, giving everyone the opportunity to make some special memories together before moving on to the next stage of their educational journey.



Chawtons Got Talent

Our annual School Talent Show was a wonderful celebration of creativity and confidence. Students amazed the audience with singing, dancing, music and more, while everyone showed great encouragement and support. A big thank you to all the performers, staff, and families who helped make the event such a success. Well done to everyone who took part! Congratulations to Max for winning Chawtons Got Talent with his fantastic Piano skills. Jasper came second and third place went to Savi and Elsie.



PTA Summer Fair

The PTA Summer Fair raised **£241.55!** Thank you so much to everyone who attended and helped raise funds for our wonderful school.

EXTENDED DAY



Breakfast Club is available **Monday-Friday 7:30am-8:30am**

From September, we will no longer offer a 6pm slot. This is because we only have 1 child who uses this slot which is not cost effective for us. **After School Club will close at 5:30pm Monday-Thursday**

Slots must be booked via Scopay a minimum of 48 hours in advance.

Please make sure you are booking and not just turning up as we cannot guarantee a space if we have already reached maximum capacity. You will be turned away if we are full!

Ensure that sessions are booked via Scopay and accounts are kept up to date. Please contact the School Office if you are unable to book.

Please remember to send a snack if you book your child into after school club!

Parents can cancel via the Scopay app up until 48 hours before the session. After this there will still be a charge for the session if not attended. Further details can be found in our extended day policy on our website.

BELL RINGERS

A very big well done to all the Year 6 children who ring the bell at 8.45am each morning. They have taken the responsibility of ringing the bell 'loud and proud' to ensure that everyone knows the gate is closing and lessons are about to start. They have contributed to the calm and orderly start to our mornings which has made a huge difference to the children's readiness to start their day! Well done to:

Logan M, Isla A, Maisie F, Olivia W

OFFICE ANGELS

Mrs Burr and Mrs Serle would like to express their thanks for the pupils in Sycamore who volunteer their lunchtimes to answer phone calls and take messages. Your reliability and cheerful attitude have made a real difference. This experience has given you valuable communication and organisational skills, and we are incredibly proud of the way you represent our school. Well done to:

***Isabelle GL, Betsy T, Olivia W, Pippa R, Brooke J
Isla A, Jorja-May S, Lyra J***

ECO WARRIORS

Our brilliant Eco Warriors have also earned a huge round of applause this year. These dedicated pupils have helped keep our school clean and green by sorting the eco bins on the playground, litter picking, encouraging recycling, and making sure waste goes where it should. Their commitment to caring for our environment has made a real difference to our school community. An excellent job we are incredibly proud of your hard work and responsibility.

Well done to:

***Maddie B, Daniel LF, Eliza B, Alex S
Elizabeth W, Esther O, Jasper P***

ELSA/SEN GARDEN

As you know, we have been actively seeking funding to improve our provision, ensuring more children are able to access a good level of education within a mainstream setting. We wanted an additional outdoor learning space to further enhance our provision for our pupils in a landscape of increased special educational need. The focus for this was predominantly SEN children however it will also be available for small group work and provide a calming and restorative space for all children at our school.

At the beginning of the year we contacted Timotay Playscapes and asked them to design our garden, using input from staff and children. They came up with an amazing design that looked really exciting and exactly what we needed to turn an unloved, dumping ground into a useable and engaging space.

Thanks to our PTA and a willing group of parents who cleared the area, knocked down the shed and arranged for disposal of all the waste, we were left with a blank canvas of approx. 40 sq m for work to begin!

Thanks to generous donations from Resurrection Furniture, District Councillors and our PTA, work was able to begin in June and we are absolutely delighted with the results!



Oak Class	95%
Maple Class	92%
Chestnut Class	95%
Sycamore Class	95%

ATTENDANCE

Why is it important?

Attendance	Days absent	Weeks absent	Lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons
75%	48 days	10 weeks	250 lessons
70%	57 days	11.5 weeks	290 lessons

89% or below

Drastic effect on academic achievement

96% - 90%

Cause for Concern

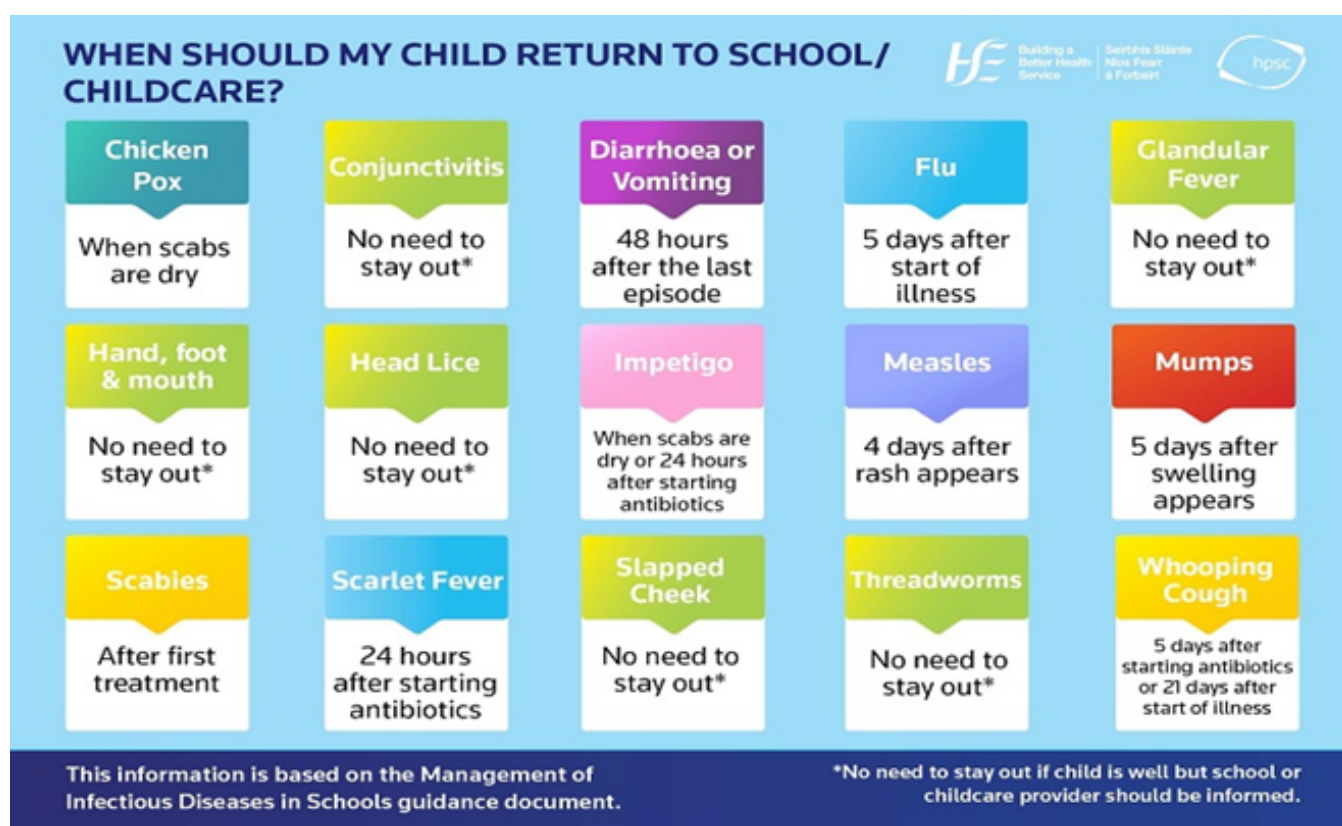
100% - 97%

Excellent!



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.

WHEN SHOULD MY CHILD RETURN TO SCHOOL/ CHILDCARE?



Chicken Pox
When scabs are dry

Conjunctivitis
No need to stay out*

Diarrhoea or Vomiting
48 hours after the last episode

Flu
5 days after start of illness

Glandular Fever
No need to stay out*

Hand, foot & mouth
No need to stay out*

Head Lice
No need to stay out*

Impetigo
When scabs are dry or 24 hours after starting antibiotics

Measles
4 days after rash appears

Mumps
5 days after swelling appears

Scabies
After first treatment

Scarlet Fever
24 hours after starting antibiotics

Slapped Cheek
No need to stay out*

Threadworms
No need to stay out*

Whooping Cough
5 days after starting antibiotics or 21 days after start of illness

This information is based on the Management of Infectious Diseases in Schools guidance document.

*No need to stay out if child is well but school or childcare provider should be informed.

We will be continuing our new strategy to encourage all children to arrive in school on time. Our gate opens at **8.30am and closes at 8.45am**. We will ring the bell to indicate that the gate is closing. If you arrive after this time, you and/or your child **MUST** come into the school office to register and to choose their lunch choice. Your child will be marked late if they arrive after 8.45am and asked why they are absent unless you have specific permission from Mrs Doyle.

If your child arrives after the register has closed at 9.05am they will be marked as unauthorised absence which may result in a fine. Any absence that is unreported will also be marked as unauthorised.

If you need to take your child out of school during term time, please complete an absence request form in advance.

Any child who is absent from a session of school must have their absence recorded. This is a legal requirement from the Department of Education. Only the Head Teacher can authorise absence and if there is no known reason for the absence it will be recorded as unauthorised. The Head Teacher and Governing Body are accountable for attendance figures to the Department of Education.



IMPORTANT DATES

Autumn Term 1 2026

Tuesday 1st September	INSET Day
Wednesday 2nd September	INSET Day
Thursday 3rd September	Return to School for new Academic Year
Monday 7th September	SCARF Education for Life workshops—Whole School
Wednesday 16th September	OPEN DAY
Thursday 17th September	Maple Class Trip to Tudor House
Tuesday 22nd September	OPEN DAY
Friday 25th September	Sycamore Class to watch Macbeth (Bentley Primary School)
Friday 2nd October	Individual Portrait Photos
Tuesday 13th October	Whole School FLU VACCINE
Wednesday 14th October	OPEN DAY
Wednesday 21st October	OPEN DAY
Tuesday 20th October	Chestnut Class Roman Day with Portals to the Past
Friday 23rd October	End of Autumn 1 Half Term

Autumn Term 2 2026

Monday 2nd November	INSET Day
Tuesday 3rd November	Return to School for Autumn 2
Tuesday 10th November	Sycamore Class visit to Winchester Science Centre
Wednesday 25th November	Whole School Trip Jack and the Beanstalk on Ice (Planet Ice)
Friday 4th December	PTA Christmas Fair
Tuesday 8th December	Oak Class Little Cities to visit Chawton
Friday 18th December	End of Autumn Term

Spring Term 1 2027

Monday 4th January	Return to School for Spring 1
Wednesday 13th January	Chestnut Class visit to Butser Ancient Farm
Wednesday 20th January	Young Voices, London O2—Details to be confirmed
Tuesday 9th February	Oak Class visit to Minstead Study Centre
Thursday 11th February	End of Spring 1
Friday 12th February	INSET Day

Spring Term 2 2027

Monday 22nd February	Return to School for Spring 2
Thursday 25th February	Sycamore Class visit to The Living Rainforest
Friday 26th February	Maple Class African Drumming Workshop
Thursday 4th March	Chestnut Class visit to RHS Wisley
Thursday 18th March	Artist visit to Chestnut and Sycamore Classes
Thursday 25th March	End of Spring Term



CHAWTON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-27 TERM DATES

SEPTEMBER 2026							OCTOBER 2026							NOVEMBER 2026						
M		7	14	21	28		M		5	12	19	26		M		9	16	23	30	
T		8	15	22	29		T		6	13	20	27		T	3	10	17	24		
W		9	16	23	30		W		7	14	21	28		W	4	11	18	25		
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DECEMBER 2026							JANUARY 2027							FEBRUARY 2027						
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JUNE 2027							JULY 2027							AUGUST 2027						
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INSET DAY

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WEEK 4 - 17TH - 21ST AUGUST

WEEK 5 - 24TH - 28TH AUGUST

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- *Monday 20-Thursdays 23 July: Scarecrow week - come and build a scarecrow for the Chawton Gardening Club's Annual Competition (materials free)
- *Thursday 13 August: Birds of Prey Day (free with Garden entry)
- Sunday 23 August: Pottery Picnic at Dyers Barn



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AGES 4-16

27 JULY - 28 AUGUST

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About iRock Lessons

- 30-minute band-based music lessons taught by a professional Band Coach
- Lessons take place during school hours
- Easy subscription: cancel at any time, with a first lesson money-back guarantee.
- Open to children aged 4 to 11, regardless of ability or experience
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Tea at Three with the Ponies

Join us for a relaxing afternoon meeting our gentle, friendly ponies. Enjoy a delicious selection of sweet and savoury treats, along with a cup of tea or coffee, all set in our peaceful surroundings. ♥

A perfect afternoon for all the family! ♥

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- COLOURING ACTIVITIES ♥
- HOBBY HORSE AGILITY COURSE ♥
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FRIDAY 14TH AUGUST

3.00 p.m.

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Finally we would like to wish you all a fantastic summer break and look forward to welcoming you back to School in September.

Have a Great
Summer