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6 November 2026



Paris Trip

Dear Parents and Guardians

Welcome back to Optime following what I hope was a very restful half term.

I know many parents and friends of the College will have followed updates on our trip to Paris last week and also our highly successful Duke of Edinburgh expedition on a very cold Dartmoor last weekend. I'd like to express my admiration to the pupils who have spent their break to focus on these important events but also my thanks and gratitude to the staff and volunteers who made these events happen and who have given up their own free time so generously. There are many aspects that make up a great school and the community of staff and volunteers is a stand out feature here. We really could not run the College so well without this level of support.

November has signalled the arrival of shorter days for us all but I have been so pleased to see how much has been accomplished this week. We have had a number of pupils competing at the Cross Country Championships at West Buckland, alongside football and netball. Year 11 have been busy with GCSE French speaking mock examinations. All of this, of course, goes alongside our usual timetable of lessons and extra/co-curricular activities. Schools are busy – but we know the saying, if you want something done well – ask a busy person. Busy schools are no different.

Finally, I know everyone will join me in wishing our Year 8 pupils good luck for their examination week, which begins on Monday 9th November with the Computer Science examination at 08.40. The more we practise, the better we become and this applies to examinations as much as anything else. I look forward to being impressed by how well our pupils do.

Have a great weekend

Mr Payne, Headteacher

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Modern Foreign Languages

Paris Trip

Saturday 24/10

On Saturday morning, we walked into central Paris along the river Seine to a Crêperie for a delicious lunch. On the way, we saw the Notre Dame cathedral as well as many other beautiful sights. Then, in the afternoon, to avoid the demonstrations taking place in Paris that afternoon, we took the Metro out of the city to La Défense and the shopping centre. At La Défense, we also saw the modern 'Grande Arche' and the 'Arc de Triomphe' in the distance, perfectly in line with each other. It was great! To round off the day, we had a packed tea followed by some fun activities back at the hotel. Mr Stevens did a quiz, bingo and we saw who could make the best Eiffel Tower out of pipe cleaners. We did over 28 000 steps, it was an amazing day!

Marshall Lill and Elliot Michielen, Year 10 pupils



Sunday 25/10

On Sunday, we started the day with a visit to Les Invalides. It was a historic war hospital which was first opened to veterans in 1674. At Les Invalides, we saw the tomb of Napoleon. After that, we went to another section of the museum to learn all about the wars through France's history, before heading off to the Eiffel Tower. This was very exciting for everyone, and we were able to walk up to the second floor, where we saw some amazing views of Paris. After the Eiffel Tower, we went on a boat cruise along the Seine where we saw lots of landmarks such as the 'Musée D'Orsay' and 'Notre Dame' cathedral. Then, we took the metro over to the Louvre, where we saw the museum and the pyramids from the outside. From a distance, we also saw the Eiffel Tower sparkling before walking up the Champs Elysées to the Arc de Triomphe, where we ate dinner before heading back to the hotel on the metro. It was an incredible day in Paris, we did around 28 000 steps for the second day in a row!

Esther and Florrie Payne (Y11)





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Modern Foreign Languages

Paris Trip

Monday 26/10

On the last day, we left in the morning to get the Metro to see 'Sacré Cœur'. We had a look inside the church and stayed for part of the Mass ceremony. We then went out to see the artist's square 'La Place du Tertre', where there were souvenir shops, sweet shops, restaurants and of course artists selling paintings and drawing people's portraits- it was so cool to see. We then had to get back to the hotel to catch the Eurostar back home.

Adi Langley, Year 11 pupil

On Monday morning, we were all up early packing our bags and checking out of the hotel ready to leave Paris in the afternoon. After breakfast, we all put our suitcases in the luggage storage at the hotel and went straight on the Metro to see 'Sacré Cœur'. We were very lucky as when we got there, they were just starting Mass. After that, we all went around the souvenir shops in Montmartre and explored the artist's square 'La Place du Tertre'. After a couple of hours of exploring Montmartre, we got the metro back to the hotel to collect our bags before heading home on the Eurostar. We did just over 15 000 steps, another tiring but fun day!

Ellen Bruce, Year 11 pupil









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Could You Be a Donor?

Supporting Baby Ellis – Could You Be His Lifesaving Match?

Some families have a connection with Chulmleigh that spans generations, and Ellis's family is one of them. Now, we are hoping that our wider school community can come together to help Ellis and his family at a time when they need it most.

Chulmleigh College holds a particularly special place in the family's heart. Ellis's grandmother, Lorna Talbot, worked at the school for more than 25 years, serving as a teacher, department head and in a number of other roles. His grandfather was also part of our wider school community, driving Chulmleigh's school buses.

Ellis's mum, Caitlin Talbot, along with his uncle William and aunt Bronwen, all attended Chulmleigh Primary School and Chulmleigh College. Today, his three cousins are pupils at Chulmleigh Primary School.

The family's hope is that, when Ellis is well enough, he too will have the opportunity to walk through the doors of the schools that have played such an important part in their family history.

Sadly, Ellis and his family are currently facing an incredibly difficult time. At just 10.5 months old, Ellis has been diagnosed with a rare and life-threatening blood disorder called Wiskott–Aldrich syndrome. He urgently needs a potentially lifesaving stem cell transplant, but so far, no suitable donor match has been found.

We are sharing Ellis's story in support of DKMS UK, to raise awareness of the urgent need for more people to join the stem cell donor register. Could someone within our wider Chulmleigh community be the match Ellis so desperately needs?

Even if you are not a match for Ellis, you could potentially save the life of another person waiting for a suitable donor.





How can you help?

If you are aged 16–55 and in general good health, joining the stem cell donor register is straightforward. It begins with a simple cheek swab taken at home.

You can make a difference by:

- Joining the stem cell donor register and potentially becoming a lifesaving match for someone in need.
- Sharing Ellis's story with your friends, family and wider community.
- Raising awareness to help encourage more potential donors to come forward.

As a school community, we are incredibly proud of the generations of families who have been part of Chulmleigh. We hope that, by sharing Ellis's story, we can help make a difference to him and his family at this challenging time.

We send our very best wishes to Ellis, Matt, Caitlin and their wider family. We hope that one day Ellis will be well enough to follow in his family's footsteps and become part of our school community in his own right.

Please help us spread the word. Your simple decision to register could make a life-changing difference – perhaps even to Ellis.

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DofE

Every now and then we are fortunate enough to get all of our expedition ducks in a row – perfect weather, a brilliant route, a fantastic group of participants and adults, great campsite, plenty of excellent cake… and our Silver DofE expedition on Dartmoor at the end of half term ticked every available box. What a privilege it was to be involved in such a wonderful few days! Huge thanks as always go to our awesome staff and volunteer team who continue to inspire me with their enthusiasm, energy and generosity.

And my feet stayed dry…!

Mr Foster, Teacher of PE / Outdoor Education Coordinator











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children's hospice SOUTH WEST

Registered Charity No. 1003314

Wear Your Wellies To School Day

Thursday 19 November



IN AID OF CHILDREN'S HOSPICE

Pay £1 donation via MyEd to wear either Wellies or Trainers



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Drama

Theatre Trip: Mrs Doubtfire the Musical

In the week leading up to half term, 40 pupils travelled to Theatre Royal Plymouth to enjoy the touring production of Mrs Doubtfire the Musical. Staying true to the much-loved 1990s film, while adding a few modern twists of its own, the production proved to be a real hit with our pupils. The interval was filled with excited conversations about the brilliant comedic performances, clever use of lighting and, of course, the unforgettable tap-dancing chefs!

Taking pupils to experience professional theatre is always a privilege, particularly when it provides a first opportunity to see a live production for themselves. Our pupils thoroughly embraced the experience, behaving impeccably throughout and representing Chulmleigh College with great pride. I am already looking forward to organising more theatre trips throughout the year and giving pupils further opportunities to experience and celebrate the fantastic productions coming to Devon. Thank you Mr Miners, Mrs Jones and Miss Dinnis for accompanying us on the trip.

Mrs Morgan, Head of Expressive Arts







Chulmleigh College

Drama

Coram Shakespeare Schools Festival: In-School Workshop

With their performance in this year's Coram Shakespeare Schools Festival fast approaching, our Year 10 GCSE Drama pupils enjoyed an action-packed workshop with visiting director Lauren Brewer. The festival performance will take place on Tuesday 17th November at the Landmark Theatre in Ilfracombe, and the workshop provided a fantastic opportunity for the cast to develop their ideas and bring their interpretation of Shakespeare to life.





The session began with a series of warm-up activities exploring vocal skills, the importance of being performance-ready and techniques for decoding Shakespeare's language. The pupils then shared their dramatic opening scene with Lauren: an imaginative shipwreck sequence, inspired by Stranger Things, which brings together mind-controlling magic and sci-fi elements. The group also explored a scene requiring physical theatre, ensemble work and pace. Lauren was brilliant at encouraging the pupils to think creatively, embracing a wonderfully nostalgic 1980s style to shape their performance.

Intrigued? You'll have to come along and see it for yourself! The performance takes place at the Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe, on Tuesday 17th November. For ticket information, please contact Mrs Morgan.

We thank Lauren for her work and expertise with the cast and can't wait to see their hard work come together on stage!

Mrs Morgan, Head of Expressive Arts

CMAc

Chulmleigh Music Academy

Supported by Devon Music Education Hub

Wednesdays, 3.45pm to 4.45pm

(Primary pupils from 4.00pm)

Heywood Hall, Chulmleigh College

Open to all:

- Singers
- String, Brass and Woodwind Players who are above Grade 1 standard



For more information please contact:
musictuition@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk

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Creative Writing

Winkleigh Community Awards - Gold Award Winners

Congratulations to Lily, Hope, Poppy, Emma, Lexi and Seth who all achieved gold awards for their creative writing entries. They each received a signed copy of a Michael Morpurgo novel to mark their achievement.

Well done to all involved!



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Pumpkin Competition

Pumpkin Competition 2026



It was extremely hard to choose a winner, but a vote decided that Eddy Passmore was victorious. Eddy's owl pumpkin uses intricate carving to capture the texture of feathers and impressed the judges with its unique character. Well done Eddy!

Thanks to Albie Cook, Ella Cooke, Oscar Moore, Alex Chant, Penny Cook, Ollie Murphy, Ashley Keenor, Lily White, Hope Russell-Hornsey, Amelie Earnshaw, Arjan Gardner and Eddy Passmore for your excellent efforts

Mr Tomlin, Teacher of Art



Global Cup

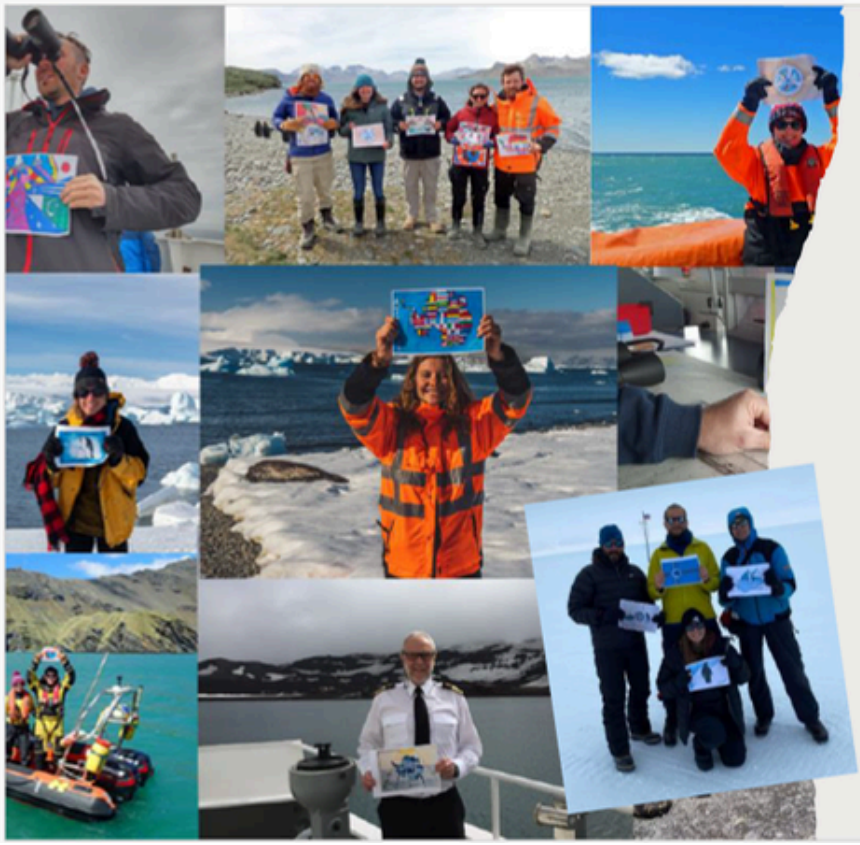
We have had another year of superb entries for the Global Cup project from our Year 7 pupils. This is a transition project that helps to prepare pupils for their studies in the humanities subjects. Today, more than ever it is crucial for all learners to become well-rounded, culturally responsive global citizens, able to understand and interrogate the world around them, and their place in it. They are tasked with producing a research project on one country of their choice and must include details on the geography, history, religion and culture of the country.

This year, a wider range of countries were represented, including Morocco, Mali, Vietnam and Singapore. Mr Payne and Mrs Philpott were invited to judge this year's entries. We also had a small group of Year 8 pupils were involved in the project last year who contributed their thoughts on the shortlist of entries. It was an incredibly difficult decision, given the quality of the pupils' work.

On Tuesday 10th November, Mrs Payne will deliver the Year 7 assembly in which the winner, second and third place entries will be announced and receive their trophies. As well as this, several Highly Commended pieces will also be recognised with certificates.

Mrs Payne, Head of Humanities





Antarctica Day Flag Competition

Calling all geographers!

Design a flag for Antarctica to celebrate Antarctica Day on December 1st.

Antarctica Day marks the anniversary of the signing of the Antarctic Treaty in 1959, when countries agreed to protect the continent, setting it aside as a place for peace and scientific discoveries.

The winning entry from the school will be sent to Antarctica to be photographed in the frozen wilderness as part of the **UK Polar Network Antarctica Flags Project 2026.**

Flags should be no bigger than A4 and can be drawn by hand or using IT. Use bold colours so they stand out against the white background in Antarctica.

Deadline for entries is **Wednesday 11th November.** Please bring your named entries to Mrs Payne in H2 or email them to jpayne@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk

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Extra Curricular

Timur shares his experience on BBC Radio 5 Live

One of our pupils, Timur, recently had the fantastic opportunity to be interviewed on BBC Radio 5 Live, with the interview broadcast as part of the programme's coverage of International Stammering Awareness Day.

Timur was invited to take part in a Careers in Public Life workshop for individuals with speech challenges, organised by Member of Parliament Mr Pinto-Duschinsky and his team. The invitation was particularly meaningful to Timur, as the MP himself has a stammer and demonstrated that a speech impediment should never be a barrier to expressing yourself or pursuing your ambitions.

Before the workshop began, Timur was also invited to take part in a BBC Radio 5 Live interview to discuss his future aspirations in politics. He was keen to use the opportunity to highlight the experiences of young people with speech challenges and explore how they can be included in professions where communication plays such an important role.

Reflecting on the experience, Timur said:

"The workshop and interview were incredibly inspiring. I met the dedicated organisers from the charity Action for Stammering Children, and it was heartening to connect with others who share similar challenges and learn from their experiences.

"The experience helped me realise that my potential should not be limited by the fact that I stutter. I am now exploring the possibility of volunteering in the political sphere.

"I am deeply grateful for the support I have received from people in Parliament, at school and throughout my life."

International Stammering Awareness Day, marked annually on 22 October, aims to challenge misconceptions, promote understanding and remind us of the importance of giving everyone the time and space to express themselves.

We are incredibly proud of Timur for sharing his experiences, raising awareness and looking ahead with such ambition. His contribution is a wonderful reminder that everyone deserves to have their voice heard and that a stammer should never stand in the way of achieving their aspirations.



You can listen to the interview **here**

CHULMLEIGH COLLEGE CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION 2026

WIN PRIZES!



Positive Points for entries!

JOIN OUR FESTIVE COMPETITION TO CREATE THE CHULMLEIGH CHRISTMAS CARD

Entries to be submitted by Tuesday 1st December to Mr Tomlin in room A1

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Physical Education

North Devon Schools Cross Country Championships – West Buckland School

Our cross-country teams headed to West Buckland School on Tuesday 3rd November to compete in the North Devon Schools Cross Country Championships. Runners had been selected following their performances at the previous event at Great Torrington or in our own inter-house cross-country competition, which took place in the week before half-term.

There were a few changes to the age categories this year, with Years 7 and 8 competing together, Years 9 and 10 in the next category, and Years 11 and 12 in the oldest category. Girls and boys competed in separate races, over distances ranging from 3,100m for the U14s to 4,500m for the U18s.

With the forecast looking dry, we set off with a spring in our step, although winter coats and base layers were very much the order of the day! West Buckland can feel chilly even in the summer, so an early November visit was always going to require some serious preparation.

On arrival, we had plenty of time to walk the course and familiarise ourselves with the routes. This gave everyone the opportunity to identify the best running lines and, importantly, spot and mark any tree roots that might present a trip hazard. With everyone warmed up and ready, the races got underway at 11.15am, starting with the U14 girls (Years 7 and 8) and progressing at 15-minute intervals through the age groups, finishing with the U18 boys (Years 11 and 12) at 12.30pm.

All of our runners performed superbly, showing fantastic effort, determination and commitment throughout. Everyone gave their very best and should be proud of the positions they achieved. A special mention goes to our Year 7 runners, who faced the challenge of competing against the year above while also tackling a longer distance than in the previous round. They rose to the challenge brilliantly!

There were some particularly notable individual performances. Elliot Defew deserves a huge shout-out for finishing an excellent 5th in the U16 category. This is an especially impressive achievement as Elliot is currently in the younger year group within that age bracket. Seb Elston also had a fantastic run, finishing 15th in the U14 category, which will hopefully be enough to secure him a place in the next round.

Finally, a special mention must go to our two U18 runners, Sophie Casavielle-Lacaze and Isla Squire, who were representing the school in their final schools-only cross-country race. Both have competed with great distinction over the past five years, and it was wonderful to see them finish this chapter on such a positive note, taking 3rd and 5th places respectively. Both girls should qualify comfortably for the next stage, which, if previous years are anything to go by, will see us heading back to West Buckland for a weekend run in the darkest depths of January – unlikely to be any warmer and almost certainly damp!

A huge well done to everyone who represented the school. Your efforts, resilience and team spirit were a credit to yourselves and the school. We wish everyone who qualifies for the next round the very best of luck!

Mr Harrison, Teacher of Physical Education



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Physical Education

House Cross Country Competition - A Fantastic Effort by All!

This term saw the return of our annual House Cross Country Competition, and thankfully, the weather was on our side – well, for most of the groups at least!

The event is a huge undertaking for the PE Department, with pupils tackling a challenging 2.5km course around the school grounds and through Chulmleigh Town. Preparations began back in September, with lessons dedicated to building fitness and stamina, followed by a walk of the course to ensure everyone knew exactly where they were going before the big event.

Our House Cross Country Competition is about much more than simply finishing first. Every pupil who completes the course receives a raffle ticket displaying their finishing position in either the girls' or boys' race. These positions are then carefully counted and divided by the number of runners representing each House, ensuring a fair competition regardless of House size. The results are calculated for each race, year group and ultimately the overall House standings. With so many pupils taking part, it is certainly a mammoth task to organise and calculate!

What makes this event particularly rewarding is seeing the determination and effort shown by our pupils. For many, the greatest achievement is simply completing the course, while others are determined to improve on their previous finishing positions. There is a real sense of satisfaction in crossing that finish line, particularly for those who have pushed themselves beyond what they thought they could achieve. Every pupil who gives their best contributes to their House's success, and that is what makes this competition so special.

A huge congratulations to MOLE HOUSE, who have made history by becoming the first winners of the newly remodelled House system at the College! A fantastic achievement and a brilliant way to kick-start this new chapter of House competition. I am sure Mrs Sterland and Mrs Philpott will be celebrating these valuable House points in their next House assembly! The challenge is now on for Dart and Taw to catch them!

Finally, the PE Department would like to say a huge thank you to the residents of Chulmleigh for their patience and understanding as hundreds of pupils made their way around the local housing estate. We are especially grateful for everyone putting up with Mrs Markham enthusiastically shouting encouragement, positions and race updates outside their windows! We promise it is all in the spirit of House competition!

Well done to everyone who took part – a fantastic display of effort, resilience and House pride!

Mrs Markham, Head of Physical Education

DART	Points	Position
7DEV	41.57	3rd
7ONS	33.2	1st
Yr7 TOTAL	**74.77**	**2nd**
8.123	40	3rd
8.456	28.8	3rd
Yr8 TOTAL	**68.8**	**3rd**
9IME	17.5	2nd
9OPT	28.3	1st
Yr9 TOTAL	**45.8**	**2nd**
10WMP		
10NSE		
Yr10 TOTAL	**31.09**	**1st**
11WMP	22.5	1st
11NSE	38	3rd
Yr11 TOTAL	**60.5**	**2nd**
School Total	**280.96**	**3rd**

MOLE	Points	Position
7DEV	28.9	1st
7ONS	38.3	2nd
Yr7 TOTAL	**67.2**	**1st**
8.123	35	2nd
8.456	25.1	1st
Yr8 TOTAL	**60.1**	**2nd**
9IME	13.25	1st
9OPT	35.5	3rd
Yr9 TOTAL	**48.75**	**3rd**
10WMP		
10NSE		
Yr10 TOTAL	**31.81**	**3rd**
11WMP	27.2	2nd
11NSE	28.5	1st
Yr11 TOTAL	**55.7**	**1st**
School Total	**263.56**	**1st**

TAW	Points	Position
7DEV	35.5	2nd
7ONS	41	3rd
Yr7 TOTAL	**76.5**	**3rd**
8.123	33	1st
8.456	26.8	2nd
Yr8 TOTAL	**59.8**	**1st**
9IME	21.1	3rd
9OPT	32.1	2nd
Yr9 TOTAL	**53.2**	**1st**
10WMP		
10NSE		
Yr10 TOTAL	**31.4**	**2nd**
11WMP	23.6	3rd
11NSE	37	2nd
Yr11 TOTAL	**60.6**	**3rd**
School Total	**281.5**	**2nd**

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Physical Education

Year 11 Netballers Show Resilience and Team Spirit

Chulmleigh's Year 11 netballers, with the fantastic support of two Year 10 players, took part in their final North Devon netball tournament at Park School on Thursday 5th November.

With only five schools entering this year, it was a shame to see such a small turnout. However, credit must go to Chulmleigh for continuing to provide pupils with the opportunity to compete and represent the school at this stage of their school sporting journey.

Although the team didn't manage to secure a win, they had an enjoyable day and demonstrated great resilience, determination and, above all, support for one another. Their positive attitude and team spirit shone through throughout the tournament.

A special well done to Izzie Hill, who captained the side, and a huge thank you to Liddy Armitage and Tally Hopkins for stepping up from Year 10 to support the girls and ensure the team could take part.

Mrs Markham was incredibly proud of the girls' attitude, tenacity and commitment. Well done to everyone involved!

Mrs Markham, Head of Physical Education



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Extra Curricular Activities

Extra-Curricular Activities - Autumn Term 2026

Academic Studies | Expressive Arts/Clubs | Sports/Outdoor Education

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Muga (Lunchtime) SLT	**Muga (Lunchtime) SLT**	**Tennis Courts (Lunchtime) SLT**	**Tennis Courts (Lunchtime) SLT**	**Tennis Courts (Lunchtime) SLT**
Quiet Reading The Ivor Marsh Library	**Quiet Reading** The Ivor Marsh Library	**Quiet Reading** The Ivor Marsh Library	**Quiet Reading** The Ivor Marsh Library	**Quiet Reading** The Ivor Marsh Library
Accelerated Reader Book Quizzes The Ivor Marsh Library	**Accelerated Reader Book Quizzes** The Ivor Marsh Library	**Accelerated Reader Book Quizzes** The Ivor Marsh Library	**Accelerated Reader Book Quizzes** The Ivor Marsh Library	**Accelerated Reader Book Quizzes** The Ivor Marsh Library
Maths Support Sessions M6 (WW) 1.10pm	**Maths Support Sessions** M5 (PN) 1.10pm	**Maths Support Sessions** M3 (JB) 1.10pm	**Maths Support Sessions** M1 (SF) 1.10pm	**Maths Support Sessions** M4 (MG) 1.10pm
Maths Sparx Support Sessions M3 (JB) 3.00pm	**Homework Club** Year 11 E5 (BH)	**GCSE Music Drop In** Years 10 & 11 P2 (RM) 1.30pm	**Homework Support Club** All Years IT1 (LT)	**Early Entry Maths** Year 10 M6 (WW) 1.10pm
Statistics Year 10 M2 (JMO)1.10pm	**English GCSE Revision** Year 11 E2 (AH) 3.30pm - 4.30pm	**Drawing Club** Years 7, 8 & 9 A1 (ET) 1.30pm (Starts Half Term 2)	**Maths Sparx Support Sessions** M3 (JB) 3.00pm	**Comic Club** All Years S3 (LM)
Musical Theatre Years 9, 10 & 11 D1 (EM)1.25pm - 1.55pm	**GCSE Art & Textiles Open Studio** Years 11 GCSE A1 & T1 (ET / PL)	**CMAC** All Years Heywood Hall (RM) 3.30pm	**Statistics** Year 11 M2 (JMO) 1.10pm	**Gaming Club** All Years IT1 (TEJ)
Lego League/Robotics Club All Years T1 (NS)	**D&T GCSE Intervention** Years 11 GCSE T4 (TJ)	**Ukrainian Club** All Years S2 (GT)	**Music GCSE Drop-In** Years 10 & 11 P2 (RM) 1.30pm	**Boys' Rugby** Year 7 School Field (GM) Need Studs
Gaming & Chess Club All Years S3 (KP & EJ)	**GCSE History Revsion** Year 11 GCSE H2 (EM)	**DT Club Years 8** T1 (PL)	**Drama GCSE Open Studio** Year 10 D1 (EM)	**Ten Tors** Years 9, & 10 S7 (SF)
Sewing Club Years 7, 8 & 9 Textiles Mezzanine (ED)	**Musical Theatre Club** Years 7 & 8 D1 (EM)1.25pm - 1.55pm	**GCSE Drama Open Studio** Year 11 D1 (EM)	**Art & Textiles GCSE Open Studio** Year 10 A1 & T1 (ET / PL)	**Weights / Running Club** All Years Weights Room (PC)
Creative Writing Club All Years E7 (PG) 1.10pm onwards	**Christian Union** All Years MR1 (CB - Connect)	**Girls' Football** Years 8 & 9 School Field (DH) Need Studs	**Dungeons & Dragons** Years 10 & 11 S4 (ET) 3.45pm - 5.30pm	**Badminton Club** Years 7 & 8 Sports Hall (GM)
Boys' Football Year 10 School Field (DH) Need Studs	**Boys' Football** Year 7 School Field (DH) Need Studs	**Boys' Football** Year 8 School Field (SF) Need Studs	**Skittles Club (LGBTQI+)** All Years E2 (AH) 1.10pm - 1.35pm	**Girls' Football** Years 7 & 8 School Field (DH) Need Studs
Netball Club Year 7 & 8 Netball Courts (VB & Prefect)	**Netball Club** Years 9, 10 & 11 Netball Courts (VB, GM & Prefect)	**Boys' Rugby** Year 9 School Field (GM) Need Studs	**DofE (Silver Wk1 / Bronze Wk2)** Years 9, 10 & 11 S7 (SF)	
Boys' Rugby Year 8 School Field (GM)			**Boys' Football** Year 9 School Field (DH) Need Studs	
Weights Club Years 8, 9 & 10 Weights Room (PC)			**Weights Club** Years 9, 10 & 11 Weights Room (CS)	
			Badminton Club Years 9, 10 & 11 Sports Hall (GM)	

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Year 11 Fundraiser

Spooktacular Success at the Y7/8 Halloween Disco!

On Thursday 22nd October, we held a Y7/8 Halloween Disco. This was a fantastic evening full of spooky costumes, dancing and fun! The event was run and organised by our Y11 Junior Leadership Team to raise money towards the Y11 Leavers' Ball, and what a brilliant job they did!

There was plenty of organised fun throughout the evening, including Just Dance, fancy dress competitions, the conga and the YMCA, which certainly got everyone involved and the dance floor buzzing! Freya Mason and Alice Miners ran the show on the mic, keeping the energy high and getting everyone involved, while Oliver Riordan kept the excitement going with his DJ skills and brilliant music choices.

The tuck shop was busy all night, and we are delighted to announce that over £140 was raised through ticket sales alone! Every ticket sold and every treat bought helped us get one step closer to making the Y11 Leavers' Ball a memorable occasion.

The Y11 Junior Leadership Team, with the fantastic help of Bradley Barker and Sophia Murray, worked incredibly hard to organise and run the event. Their teamwork, enthusiasm and dedication were greatly appreciated, and they should all be very proud of what they achieved.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended, supported the event and contributed towards our Leavers' Ball fund. Your support makes a real difference, and we are already looking forward to the next event!

Mrs Heeney, Head of House / Teacher of English







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Maths

Sparx XP Top 20 Weekly Leaderboard

Congratulations to the following pupils for going above and beyond on their Sparx homework this week (up to 6th November). An overall **yearly** leader board can be found on the Maths corridor!

1	Noah Ravenscroft	2655
2	Jake Adams	2280
3	Lillie Pickford	1971
4	Noah Bailey	1784
5	Darcy O'Callaghan	1740
6	Isla Backway	1560
7	Joshua Males	1462
8	Harry Bishop	1240
9	Finn Griffiths	1190
10	Alex Chant	1130
11	Lily White	1110
12	Scarlett Whiteley	1090
13	Alfie Drake	1075
14	Eddy Passmore	1070
15	Charlie Williams	1048
16	Harry Lewis	1043
17	Ruby Chant	1000
18	Layla Meek	991
19	Lilly Wilson	980
20	Harry Parker	980

Badged Up! 10,000 XP to get the next badge.

Levels 10 to 50 - too many to mention this week!

Level 60 - Hannah Jones and Jude Martin

Level 70 - Gracie Cooke, Ivy Tarr, Chloe Hale-Sanders, Jerome Mantle, Harry Macpherson and Scarlett Whiteley

Level 90 - Martha Rhodes

Level 110 - Lewis Chambers

Level 280 - Yaromyr Shevchenko

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1 Million Questions Challenge

Can we reach 1,000,000 questions again this year by May half term?

Questions correctly answered to date

293,252

Questions left to target

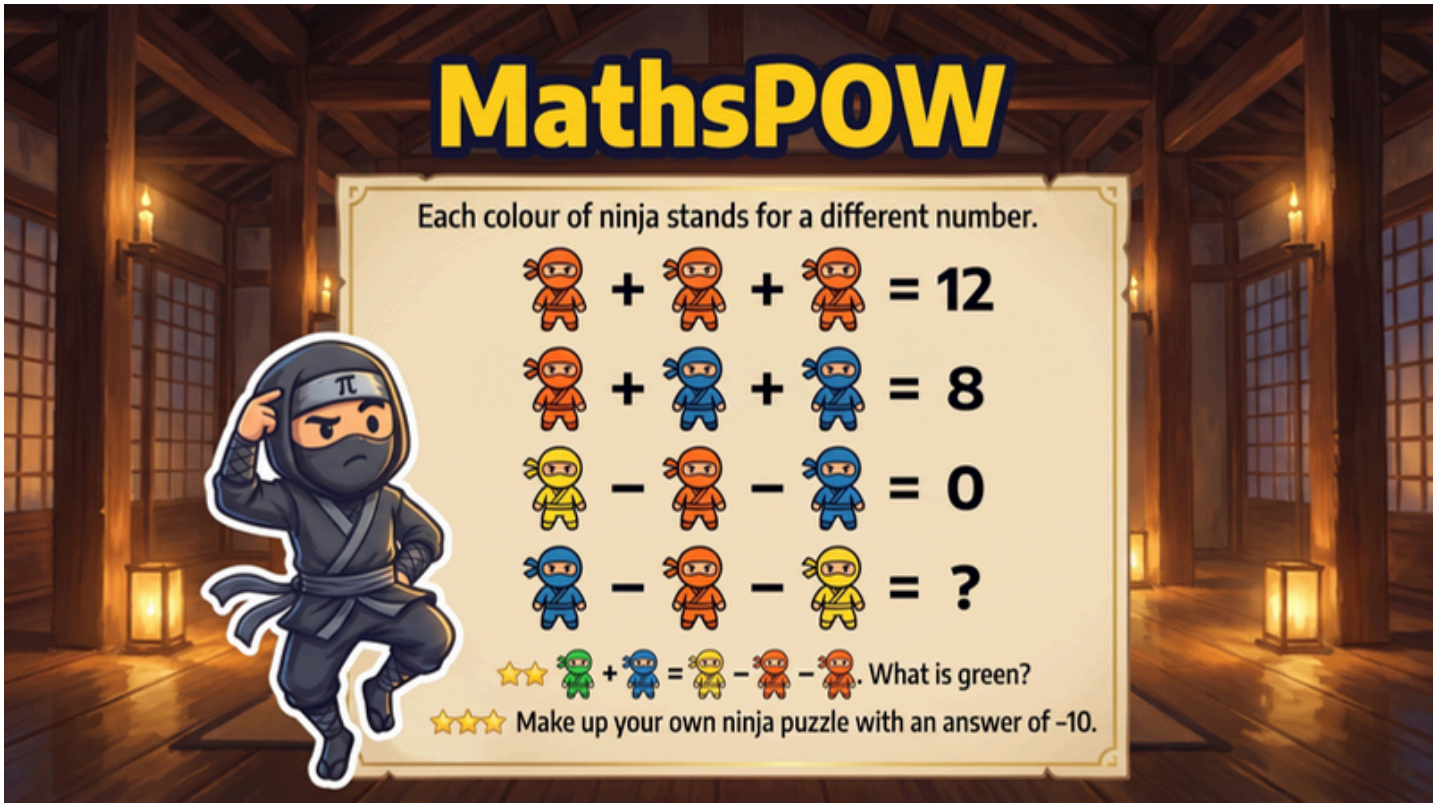
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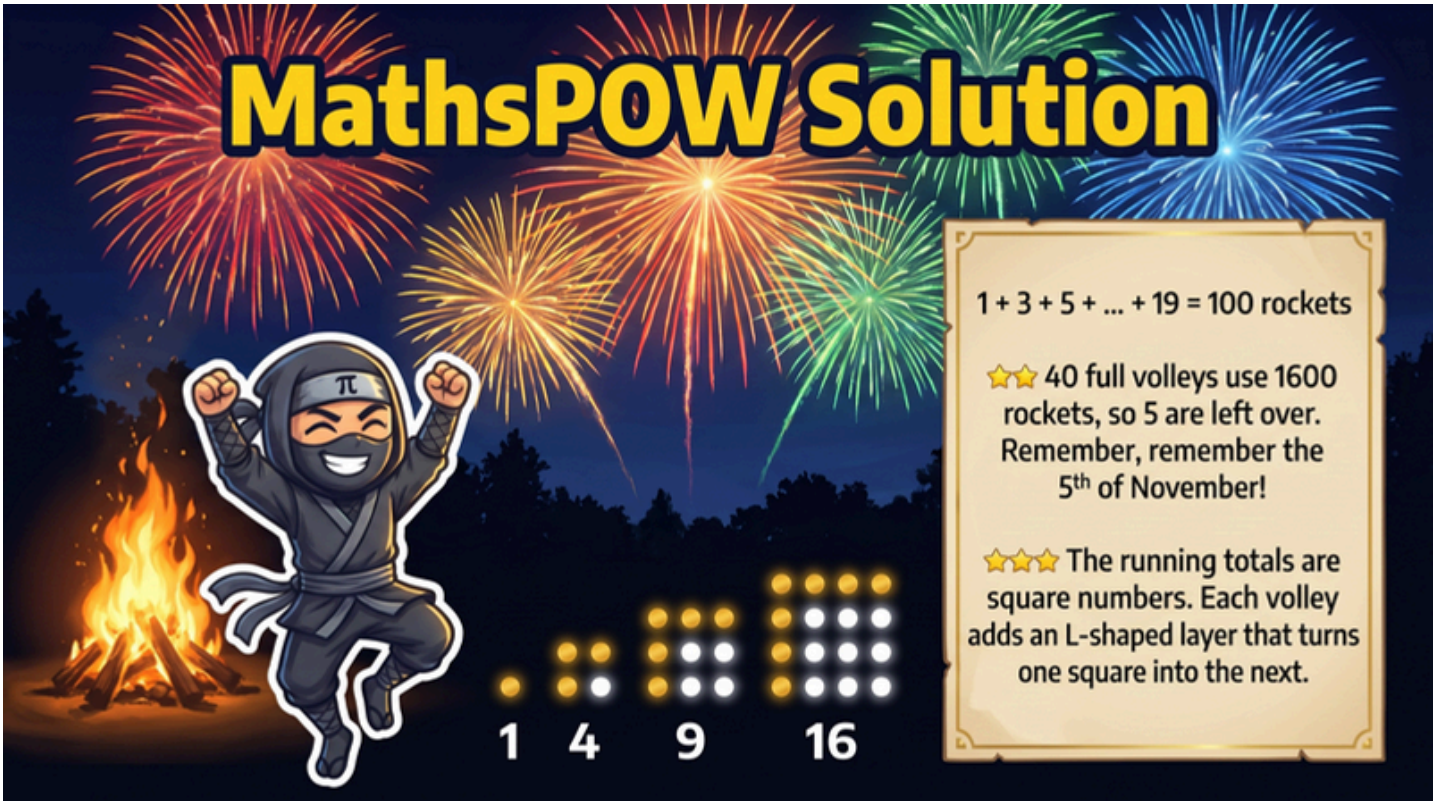
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Maths

💥 Think you've cracked it?
Post your answer to the MathsPOW postbox outside M3, or email MathsPOW@Chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk by 3:14 pm next Monday for a chance to be this week's MathsPOW Champion!
🎁 There are prizes for all entries and a special reward for the overall winner!





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Old Chulms

Former Pupil Will Bragg Celebrates Career Success

Chulmleigh College is delighted to hear of the continued success of former pupil Will Bragg, who is making excellent progress in his chosen career in construction.

Will has recently completed his Level 4 Construction Quantity Surveying Technician apprenticeship, certified by the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB). During his apprenticeship, his hard work and contribution were recognised through promotion to Assistant Quantity Surveyor at Arque Ltd.

Building on this achievement, Will has now embarked on a Level 6 Degree Apprenticeship with the University of the Built Environment, which he will study alongside his role at Arque, working towards a BSc (Hons) in Quantity Surveying.

Will's journey is a fantastic example of how dedication, ambition and continued learning can open doors to exciting career opportunities. We are incredibly proud of his achievements and wish him every success as he continues to develop his career.





Share Your Memories of Chulmleigh College

As we approach our 90th Anniversary in September 2027, we are gathering memories, stories and photographs from former pupils, staff and friends of the school. We would love to hear from everyone who has been part of Chulmleigh College's story.

Do you remember:

- Favourite teachers or members of staff?
- Lifelong friendships that began at school?
- School trips, productions or sporting events?
- Funny anecdotes and memorable moments?
- Achievements, traditions and special occasions?
- Photographs, documents or memorabilia?

Whether your memories are from the 1940s or the 2020s, every story helps us build a picture of school life through the decades.

Selected contributions may be included in our 90th Anniversary commemorative book.

Please send your memories, photographs and contact details to:

Marketing Department,
Chulmleigh College,
Beacon Rd,
Chulmleigh,
Devon,
EX18 7AA

Email: marketing@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk

Tel:
01769 580215

Please use the QR code to visit our Chulmleigh College Alumni webpage and complete our registration form.

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Christmas Toy Appeal

Please can you spare any new or unwrapped toys for domestic abuse families?



NDADA

NORTH DEVON AGAINST DOMESTIC ABUSE

Keeping families safe and relationships healthy



Report an absence due to an illness

- *Use ClassCharts*
- *Click on your child's initial.*
- *Select REPORT ABSENCE.*
- *REPORT NEW ABSENCE.*
- *Enter Date of Absence.*
- *Enter reason for absence i.e. Temperature and Headache*

ClassCharts

ClassCharts can be accessed via MyEd

- Click on School Information
- Select ClassCharts

MY Ed BY IRIS

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Coasts in Wiki

Archaeology Workshop with Barnstaple Youth Council, Barnstaple YES Centre, Coasts in Mind and Wikimedia!

Could **you** be a history detective? Exciting workshop for 14-17 year olds!

October 28-30 from 10am-3pm at the Barnstaple Library

- Look at how Barnstaple has changed
- Learn how to use archive materials
- Create 3D models of historic landmarks
- Learn how to publish your research on Wikimedia
- Have fun and meet new people

Lunch provided plus a £100 thank you voucher on completion of the workshop



Sign up here!

MOLA coasts IN MIND · MOLA · Heritage Fund

Sewing Club:

Be Creative, Have Fun, Learn New Skills

Monday Lunchtimes with Mrs Dinnis
Textile Terrace
Years 7, 8 & 9

Learning to sew is best done by actually sewing!
During these sessions we will be learning how to use a sewing machine: threading, loading and changing a bobbin, how to change a needle, reverse stitch, exploring the different stitches available and their uses.

We will work through various projects building skills and confidence.

You will make and take home things like,
bookmarks, a personalised banner, a bag, a pencil case, an apron



Cornwall & Devon School Age Immunisation Service

NHS

Flu Vaccination Drop In Clinic

School Age
Reception - Year 11

Saturday 28th November 2026
11am - 2pm
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Wonford Rd, St Leonards, Exeter, EX2 4UD

For more information please speak with a member of the team.

01392 342678

Kernowhealthcic.schoolimmsdevon@nhs.net

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CHULMLEIGH YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB

U12 GIRLS

PDP ACCESS PLATFORMS

PLAYERS WANTED!

- TRAINING: THURSDAYS 4PM – 5.30PM @ CHULMLEIGH PAVILLIONS
- SCHOOL YEARS 6 & 7
- COACHES LUKE & WILL LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU.
- FULL CHULMLEIGH FC KIT PROVIDED
- SPONSORSHIP SECURED, THANK YOU TO PDP
- ALL ABILITIES WELCOME.
- FIRST TRAINING FREE OF CHARGE BUT PLEASE DO CONTACT US BEFORE HAND

CONTACT MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY TO BOOK & MORE INFO:
dalechulmleighyfc@gmail.com
07854 810562

LEAGUE GAMES & FRIENDLIES
ALREADY BOOKED READY FOR YOU TO JOIN!

U14s RUGBY



FOR BOYS STARTING YEAR 9 THIS SEPTEMBER

GAMES SUNDAYS | TIVERTON RUGBY CLUB

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
PARENT REP MANDY
07546 837310

CHULMEIGH TENNIS CLUB

Join in our dynamic, local Tennis Programme

Lots of fun & activity

Great coaching!

Play Tennis!

SATURDAYS

- 10 am — Family session for younger juniors Parents join in for FREE!
- 11am — Adults (older juniors also welcome)

WEDNESDAYS (after school)

- 3.45pm — Junior Session (guideline age 8-12)
- 4.45pm — Older Juniors (guideline age (13-16)

All sessions £7 or less. Racquets and balls provided. Members discount available. Beginners welcome.

For more information or to enrol, email izzymoser@hotmail.co.uk or visit our website https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/ChulmleighLTC/Coaching

dgt Devon Gardens Trust



'Light in your Landscape'

Prestigious Photography Competition 2026

£250.00 1st prize in every category



Categories

School Year 9-11
School Sixth Form
Tertiary
Adults 19 +

Opening date - 1st April

Closing date - 31st October

For more details go to:
devongardenstrust.org.uk/events/photography-competition

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Ivor Marsh Library

The Ivor Marsh Library

*** LIBRARY ***

*** PRINTSHOP ***

*** COMMUNITY EVENTS ***

Opening Times to the Community

During the College Term

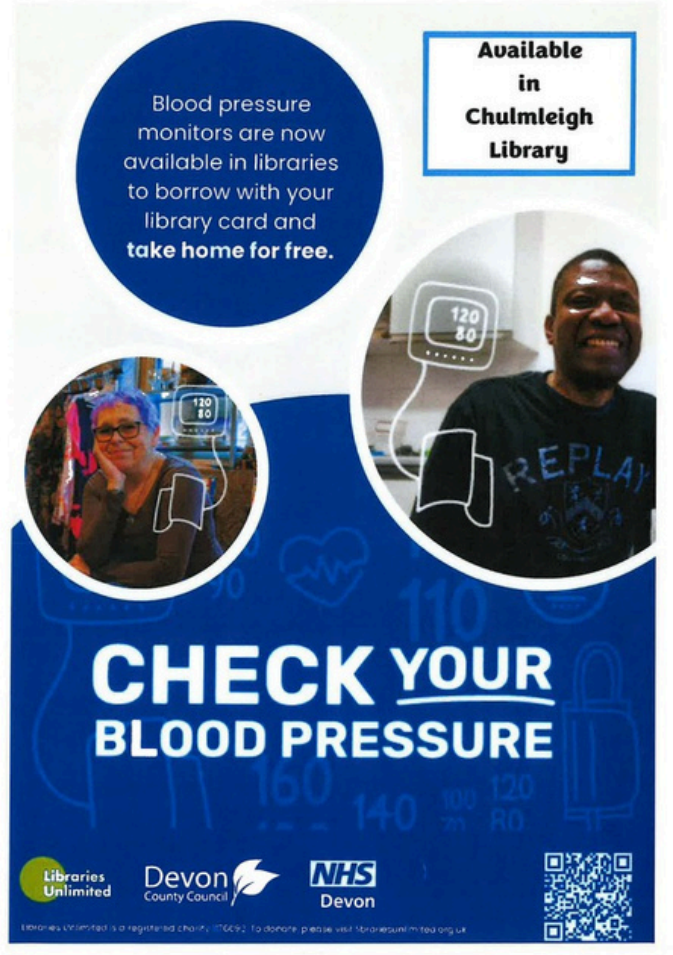
Tuesday	9am - 4pm
Wednesday	9am - 4pm
Thursday	9am - 3pm

College Holiday Opening Times 2026

Thursday 9am - 3pm

Phone: 01769 582126

Email:
chulmleigh.library@librariesunlimited.org.uk



Stationery Shop in the Library

Ballpoint Pen	10p	Compass	40p
Pencil	10p	Purple Pen (for response to marking)	30p
Eraser	10p	Book Wallets	30p
Pencil Sharpener	10p	Pack of 12 Colouring Pencils	£1.25
Protractor	15p	Clear Pencil Case	£1.00
15cm Ruler	15p	Gum Shield	£2.10
A5 Exercise Book	30p	Scientific Calculator	£13.50
Highlighter Pen	50p	Replacement Planner	£3.75
30cm Ruler	30p	Revision Study Cards	90p

Exam Case £1.50

clear pencil case containing 2 black ballpoint pens, pencil, eraser, pencil sharpener, highlighter pen and 30cm ruler



All our Stationery is available for order through MyEd our online payment system and to be collected in the Library

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Dates For Your Diary

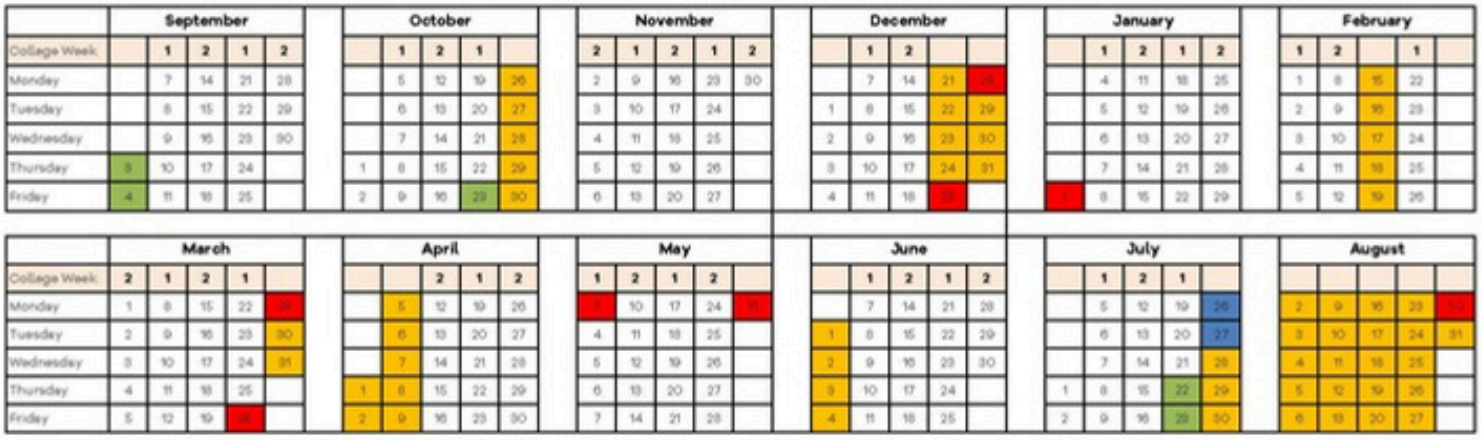
Date	Year Group	Event	Location
Sat 7 Nov	9 & 10	Dartmoor Discovery Day Walk 2	Dartmoor
Mon 9 - Fri 13 Nov	8	Assessment Week	Heywood Hall
Tues 10 Nov	8-11	Netball League Pool B	Park
Tues 10 Nov	U16s	Boys' Rugby Tournament	West Buckland
Weds 11 Nov	U14s & U16s	Girls' Football	Away - various
Mon 16 Nov	10	Drama - Shakespeare Rehearsal	Drama Studio
Tues 17 Nov	7	Football Finals Plate & Cup	Braunton
Tues 17 Nov	8-11	Netball Finals	Park
Tues 17 Nov	10	Shakespeare Performance	Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe
Weds 18 Nov	11	Football Finals	Away - TBC
Thurs 19 Nov	All	Welly Boot Day	All Trust Schools
Thurs 19 Nov	12	Year 12 Presentation Evening	Heywood Hall
Thurs 19 Nov	All	Welly Boot Day	
Thurs 19 Nov	8	Football Finals Plate and Cup	Braunton
Thurs 19 Nov	All	CMAc Chor Perfomance (Part of Teachers' Rock Rise Up Concert)	Exeter Cathedral
Fri 20 Nov	7	Boys' & Girls' Rugby Development Day	West Buckland
Mon 23 Nov	11	Animal Care Assessment Day	CC
Tues 24 Nov	9	Football Finals Plate & Cup	Away TBC

Chulmleigh College

CAT Calendars

CHULMLEIGH ACADEMY TRUST

School Terms and Holiday Dates - 2026/2027 Academic Year



Bank Holidays

25 December 2026
28 December 2026
01 January 2027
26 March 2027 (Good Friday)
29 March 2027 (Easter Monday)
03 May 2027 (May Day)
31 May 2027 (Spring Bank Holiday)
30 August 2027 (Summer Bank Holiday)

Non-Pupil Days

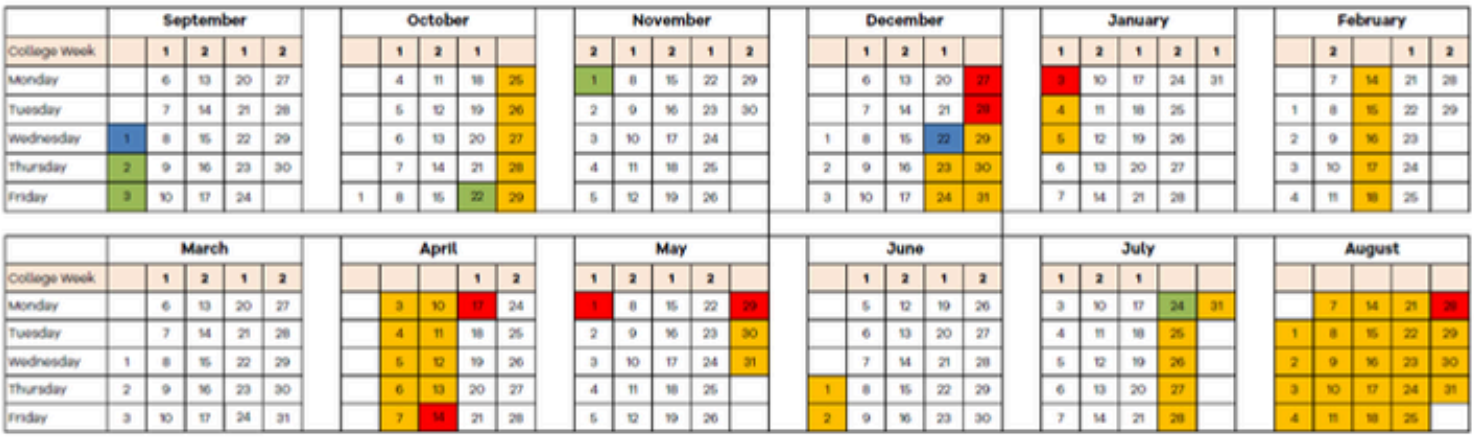
Five days selected from within the term dates to be determined by the Board of Directors

Occasional Holidays

Two days selected from within the term dates to be determined by the Board of Directors

CHULMLEIGH ACADEMY TRUST

School Terms and Holiday Dates - 2027/2028 Academic Year



Bank Holidays

27 December 2027
28 December 2027
03 January 2028
14 April 2028 (Good Friday)
17 April 2028 (Easter Monday)
01 May 2028 (May Day)
29 May 2028 (Spring Bank Holiday)
28 August 2028 (Summer Bank Holiday)

Non-Pupil Days

Five days selected from within the term dates to be determined by the Board of Directors

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Join Our Team

disability confident EMPLOYER



1:1 Teaching Assistant & Mealtime Assistant
East Worlington Primary School
Temporary, Part time
16 + 2.5 hours per week x 39 weeks per annum
Required from November/December 2026

Closing date:
10 am Monday 9 November 2026
Interview Date:
Tuesday 17 November 2026

The candidate pack and application form are available on our website:
www.chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk
To be emailed to:
personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk



Examination Invigilator
Chulmleigh College
Grade C: £13.92 per hour

Closing date:
10 am Thursday 12 November 2026
Interview Date:
Friday 20 November 2026

The candidate pack and application form are available on our website:
www.chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk
To be emailed to:
personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk



EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
Chulmleigh College
Permanent, Part time
30 or 37 hours per week x 39 weeks per year
Grade D: £14.36 - £15.31 per hour

Required from as soon as possible

Closing date:
10 am Tuesday 10 November 2026
Interview Date:
Thursday 19 November 2026

The candidate pack and application form are available on our website:
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To be emailed to:
personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk



Casual Evening Cleaner
Chulmleigh College & Chulmleigh Primary School

Grade A: £13.28 per hour
Required as soon as possible

Closing date:
10 am Friday 6 November 2026
Interview Date:
To be arranged as soon as convenient

The candidate pack and application form are available on our website:
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Chulmleigh College

Join Our Team

disability confident EMPLOYER



Academy Kitchen Manager

Chulmleigh Academy Trust

Permanent, Full time

37 hours per week x 39 weeks per annum

Required from January 2027

Closing date:

10 am Monday 23 November 2026

Interview Date:

Thursday 3 December 2026

The candidate pack and application form are available on our website:

www.chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk

To be emailed to:

personnel@chulmleigh.devon.sch.uk

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LAMDA



LAMDA

LAMDA is for any pupils with an interest in acting and the performing arts.

Lessons take place in pairs or as a solo with a professional actor.

LAMDA is the oldest drama school in the UK and their syllabus is designed to enhance and build confidence through theatre and performance skills, encouraging teamwork and creativity.

Pupils will work towards taking LAMDA performance examinations that are graded. The grades are recognised by Universities and Drama schools and provide UCAS points.

A 30 minute session is £18 or £9 for a duologue.

Please email: antoniawhittick1970@gmail.com with any questions.

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Post-16





[North Devon College | Parent/Guardian Update - Post 16 Opportunities]





OPEN EVENTS

Discover Exeter College

October 8th 4-8pm
November 18th 4-8pm
April 20th* 4-7pm

*(Suitable for Year 10s)

All city centre sites, plus our Construction Centre and Technology Centre (Engineering, Automotive and Aerospace)

Attend a variety of talks throughout the evening

Speak to our subject specialist lecturers

See our facilities

Find out about the support available

Meet our students

Scan for dates and to register

Ofsted Outstanding College

exeter college

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UK Health Security Agency

NHS

A practical guide for staff

Managing cases of infectious diseases in all education and childcare settings

The online guide offers information and resources for the following:

- Introduction to infection control in all education and childcare settings
- Prevention and control
- Outbreak management
- Immunisation
- Staff health, pet and animal contact
- Cleaning the environment
- Managing specific infections
- Exclusion table
- Diarrhoea and vomiting outbreak action list



Advice and guidance

To find out more, visit **www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities** or **bit.ly/2xiJpPZ**.

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UK Health Security Agency

NHS

Should I keep my child off school?



Yes

	Until...
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.

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CORNWALL & DEVON School Age Immunisation Service

Provided by Kernow Health CIC

School aged vaccinations

Did you know children will be offered these routine vaccinations at school?

- **FLU**- Reception - Year 11
- **MMR** - Catch-up
- **HPV**- Year 8 - Year 11
- **Meningitis ACWY**- Year 9 - Year 11
- **Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio (DTP)** Year 9 - Year 11

FLU

MMR

HPV

MENINGITIS ACWY

DIPHTHERIA TETANUS POLIO (DTP)

Did you miss us?

We also have community clinics across Devon for:

- Home educated children
- Anxious children
- Children who missed the session at school

SCAN HERE

For further information scan the QR code or please speak with a member of the team

Call us on

01392 342678

Kernowhealthcic.schoolimmsdevon@nhs.net

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