



27th April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back after the Easter break. They have once again made a fantastic start to the term and have really cracked on with their new learning topics. Classrooms are already buzzing with excitement and curiosity as we begin what will be a short but jam-packed half term:

- In Acorns, our youngest learners will be exploring even more of the world outside with their theme "Come Outside". The children will be planting seeds, caring for growing plants and learning why it is important to respect and care for the natural environment and all living things.
- Learning in Seedlings is driven by Geography with the theme "World Traveller". They will be learning about the seven continents and naming the five oceans, developing their understanding of the wider world.
- In Buds, Geography continues to be the focus as the children learn about the continent of Africa. They will be making comparisons between an African village and our own village of Chacewater, helping them to understand similarities and differences between communities.
- Young Oaks will also be Geography-led this half term, focusing on the key question "What is life like in Rio and South East Brazil?". This learning will help them explore different cultures, climates and ways of life.
- In Bur Oaks (Year 4), the children will be learning all about mountains. They will explore how mountains are formed and will be locating the Three Peaks and the Seven Summits on maps.
- Red Oaks are tackling the Geography question "How did trade get global?". They will be finding out what trade is, where our food comes from and how trading connects us to many different countries around the world.
- In Mighty Oaks, alongside preparing for their upcoming SATs, the children will be comparing the cities of Paris and London, exploring similarities and differences between two major European capitals.

As you can see, it is a short half term but one that is absolutely packed with exciting and meaningful learning.

You may have heard, we also had a very exciting morning on Wednesday when Prince Edward visited the village hall. We seized the opportunity to take our Year 6 children down to see his arrival. We were delighted that he took the time to say hello and talk to the children, making it a truly exciting and memorable morning for them all.

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Mr Hick



Open Learning Afternoons

Over the next few weeks, we are pleased to invite parents and carers to two upcoming Open Learning Afternoons. These sessions are a wonderful opportunity to join your child in school and see some of the learning they have been working so hard on.

We begin next week with Buds on Tuesday 28th April at 2.30pm, followed by Acorns on Tuesday 13th May at 2.30pm. During these afternoons, the children will be showcasing their learning and sharing their achievements with you.

We hope you will be able to join us and look forward to welcoming you into school.

Clubs

We are asking you to select any clubs that your child may wish to do over the summer term and put in order of preference. Where clubs are oversubscribed we will endeavour to make sure that everyone has a place on at least one. If clubs have more space then children may be allocated more than one.

The forms will close on Wednesday 29th April in the morning at 10am and we will let children know which club (s) on Friday 1st May.

Clubs will begin in the week beginning 4th May and run over both half terms of this term. They will run from the end of the school day through to 4pm.

Please note that the Wednesday **singing** club is for children who would like to be part of a collaborative project with Richard Lander and other schools, which will hopefully give them the opportunity to perform at the Hall for Cornwall. This will be in addition to another opportunity for Bur Oaks to perform at the Hall for Cornwall as part of an academy trust project.

Please complete the form [HERE](#).

Early School Closure

We would like to apologise for the early closure of the school yesterday. This was due to a burst water pipe directly outside the school premises. South West Water classified this as an emergency and informed us that they needed to turn off the water supply immediately and were unable to wait until the end of the school day.

We appreciate that this caused inconvenience for families; however, with no running water and therefore no capacity to use the toilets, we had little choice but to close early in order to ensure the safety and wellbeing of everyone on site.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Fake News Navigator



We are really excited to be welcoming Cousin Jack's Theatre Company to school next Friday to perform for our children in Acorns, Seedlings and Buds.

Meet Bobo - your guide to spotting fake news

In a world where information travels faster than ever, how do we know what's real and what's not? Join Bobo, the beloved character from Caroline Pedler's award winning picturebook *The Accidental Gardener*, on an exciting new stage adventure that teaches young people the essential skills to navigate our digital world with confidence.

Bobo's story is one of transformation - learning to slow down, ask questions, and nurture what matters. This engaging theatrical experience combines story-telling, humour, and interactive elements to introduce primary-aged children to the crucial topic of media literacy and misinformation. Through Bobo's journey, pupils will discover how to question what they see online, identify fake news, and become confident critical thinkers.




Kids and Tech!

PAPAYA

Let's talk about our kids and their tech


ONLINE PARENT TALK WITH NICOLA:

CORNWALL SCHOOLS PARENT TALK
MONDAY 8TH JUNE 2026 – 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM



JOINING LINK:

[ACCESS VIA THE TEAMS LINK HERE](#)



Nicola MacDonald

Nicola MacDonald is a Resilience Coach and Author of the non-fiction book, *Resilient Teen*. She is the Founder of My Resilient Mind and Co-Founder of The Digital Detox Club. She runs resilience workshops and talks for schools, parents, and adults in the workplace. She specialises in mindfulness, tech addiction, youth mental health and conscious parenting.

Nicola is an empowering and uplifting speaker who shares her knowledge in a non-judgemental way linking to her own experiences of parenthood and her own previous struggles with teen anxiety.

PAPAYA

Helping families to thrive in a digital age

Parenting in the **digital age** has never been more complex, with issues surrounding screen time, social media use, and gaming.

Many parents are concerned about their children's mental health, especially the impact of screens on it.

In this interactive talk, Nicola unpacks some of the **complex issues** surrounding smartphone use and, in a **non-judgmental** manner, aims to help you find solutions that work for your family.

Topics

- The link between mental health and wellbeing and spending too much time online
- Strategies for delaying the smartphone
- Strategies for families to achieve a healthy balance with technology
- Question and discussion time

"The talk is so relevant, full of insight and eye-opening. You will walk away inspired to connect, reflect, and find out more. I highly recommend it."

— Claire Curtis, parent and SFC volunteer.

[Join from Zoom Workplace app - Zoom](#)

Online Safety Information Session

Advance Notice – Link to be shared soon!

In partnership with Knowsley CLCs, all parent/carers are invited to an:

Online Safety Information Session

This session is delivered virtually so can be watched from anywhere!
We will share the link with you privately.

Guide to Social Media & Livestreaming - this will include latest trends and emerging threats and will focus on developing your understanding of social media and livestreaming, the associated risks and steps we can take to support our children.

**WEDNESDAY
6TH MAY
2026
4PM – 4.45PM**



School Dinners - New Menu for Summer!

SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU		WEEK 2				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Beef Burger	Roast Gammon	Tandoori Chicken	Fish Fingers
	OPTION 2	Tex Mex Vegetable Fajita	Beany Vegetable Burger	Roast Quorn	Macaroni Cheese	Spanish Omelette
	OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Or Jacket Potato	Tomato Pasta Or Jacket Potato	Tomato Pasta Or Jacket Potato	Tomato Pasta Or Jacket Potato	Tomato Pasta Or Jacket Potato
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD						
DESSERT		Chocolate Cookies	Sticky Oat Slice	Caramel Mousse	Chocolate Brownie	Strawberry Ice Cream

BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY With a choice of toppings
 AVAILABLE DAILY Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water
 Vegetarian Vegam Oily Fish Fruity Wholegrain Nutritionist's Choice

Chartwells Schools

Parent/Carer Information Sessions for Year 6

MHST would like to offer some parent/carer online information giving sessions to help them with the big step of primary to secondary school.

These sessions are open to parent/carers of a year 6 child. If you could please promote these sessions on any of your school platforms, including Facebook, it would be appreciated. Parents can sign themselves up.

Sign up can be with the QR code or link included in the attached poster, for ease this is the link - <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/xeCDEWbhGa> – we are aware that the link is not always ‘clickable’ depending on the site uploaded to so please can you include the link in the body of any text.

MHST Presents: Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

PARENT TRANSITION WORKSHOPS

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S MOVE FROM PRIMARY TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

PREPARING FOR CHANGE

PRIMARY SCHOOL (AGE 7-11) → SECONDARY SCHOOL (YEAR 7+)

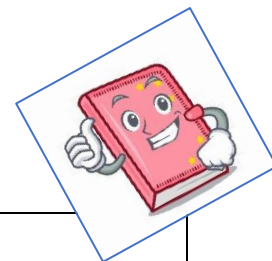
- 1. MANAGING ANXIETY & WORRIES**
Help your child navigate fears and emotions
- 2. BUILDING RESILIENCE & CONFIDENCE**
Boost self-esteem and coping skills for the new environment
- 3. ESTABLISHING ROUTINES & INDEPENDENCE**
Practical strategies for new school days and daily changes
- 4. COMMUNICATION & WELLBEING**
Staying connected and supporting mental health

WORKSHOP DATES
18 May - 9.30am - 10.30am
10 June - 4pm - 5pm
2 July - 6pm - 7pm

LOCATION
ONLINE Via MS Teams
FREE to attend for all Year 6 Parents

HOW TO BOOK
Visit: <https://forms.office.com/e/xeCDEWbhGa>
or scan the QR code

Register Today! Support your child's wellbeing during this important milestone.



Dates For Your Diary

4.5.26	Bank Holiday
w/b 11.5.26	Y6 SATs
18.5.26, 19.5.26, 21.5.26	Y6 Bikeability
18.5.26	Y6 School Camp Meeting for parents and carers (3.20pm)
22.5.26	End of half term
1.6.26	Start of half term
16.6.26	Sports Day
17.6.26 – 19.6.26	Y6 School Camp
24.6.26	Class Photograph Day
30.6.26 & 1.7.26	Richard Lander Induction Days & School Transition Days
6.7.26	TPAT Musical Showcase – HfC (Bur Oaks)
16.7.26	Red Oaks and Mighty Oaks Summer Show
22.7.26	Leavers Disco
23.7.26	End of term - 1pm Finish

PE Days

PE days for this term are as follows:

- Acorns – Monday
- Seedlings – Monday and Friday
- Buds – Monday and Friday
- Young Oaks – Thursday and Friday
- Bur Oaks – Tuesday and Friday
- Red Oaks – Tuesday & Wednesday
- Mighty Oaks – Thursday

Term Dates

Chacewater School Calendar 2025/26

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School holidays

Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2025
Boxing Day	26 December 2025
New Years Day	01 January 2026
Good Friday	03 April 2026
Easter Monday	06 April 2026
May Bank Holiday	04 May 2026
Spring Bank Holiday	25 May 2026
Summer Bank Holiday	31 August 2026

Bank Holidays highlighted in pink

Autumn Term
1st September – 19th Dec 2025
(Half Term 20th – 31st Oct)

Spring Term
5th January – 2nd April 2026
(Half Term 16th - 20th Feb 2026)

Summer Term
20th April – 24th July 2026
(Half Term 25th – 29th May 2026)

Chacewater School INSET Days (highlighted in **Yellow**) school closed:

- Mon 1st Sept 2025
- Mon 20th – Fri 24th Oct 2025
- Mon 26th January 2026
- Fri 24th July 2026

Term Dates 2026/27

Our term dates for the next academic year can be seen below. Please note that following consultation, all schools in our academy trust will be continuing with a two week half term in October 2026.

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Spring Term
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(Half Term 26th - 9th Apr 2027)

Summer Term
12th Apr – 23rd Jul 2027
(Half Term 31st May – 4th Jun 2027)

INSET Days (highlighted in Yellow) school closed:

- Mon 1st Sept 2026
- Mon 4th Jan 2027



GOLDEN AWARD WINNERS

ACORNS	Amee & Delilah
SEEDLINGS	Jacob & Sennen
BUDS	Emilia & Harleen
YOUNG OAKS	Kiril & Alivia
BUR OAKS	Miya-Rose & Roman
RED OAKS	Arthur & Ada
MIGHTY OAKS	Honey & Saphena



Signposting



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SPACES ARE LIMITED – BOOK EARLY TO AVOID MISSING OUT!

Do you love to sing, dance or act?

National Award-Winning All Starz are back with Musical in a Week!

Within 5 days, the highly qualified team of West End creatives will teach the young actors to perform a much-loved classic musical, which is then performed publicly.

Monday 27th to Friday 31st July 2026

Juniors (ages 5 to 8) will perform **DISNEY'S ALADDIN**

- 9am to 1:30pm each day with the performance at 1:30pm on the Friday
- for the first four days children may stay to 5pm to do arts and crafts

Seniors (ages 9 to 18) will perform **DISNEY'S BEAUTY AND THE BEAST**

- 9am to 5pm each day with the performances at 4pm and 6:30pm on the Friday

This exciting opportunity is open to everyone, all abilities are welcome, and there are no auditions to participate. It is first come first served, so make sure you register your place quickly at tolley.angell@yahoo.co.uk

