



Chew Stoke Church School Newsletter



INTRODUCTION FROM THE HEADTEACHER

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and enjoyed some valuable family time. The children have settled back into school really well and are enjoying their learning and being with their friends and teachers.

In just over a week our Year 6 children will be sitting their SATs assessments. We are so proud of how they have been preparing themselves and the mature attitude they have shown. Please could I ask parents of Y6 pupils to support us by ensuring their children go to bed early, get plenty of rest and sleep, eat well and are given lots of encouraging positive messages.



This year's Fun Run will be held on the afternoon of Friday 16th May in the Rectory Field near Quarry Hay. Hedgehog Class will hold their Fun Run around the obstacle course in the school grounds, as in previous years. This year we will be raising money for our 'International Week'. During the week commencing 19th

May, the whole school will be focussing on learning about the continent of Africa. To complement the week the children will all take part in two workshops, African drumming and African dance. We need to raise in the region of £1000 for these workshops to take place. The children will be bringing home their sponsorship forms, with all the money going towards these workshops, so please do share these with family and friends. The money raised can be paid in via our donations page on ParentPay.

As usual, we need as many parents/adult helpers as possible to steward both events, so if you are able to spare a couple of hours from 1.15pm that would be appreciated. If you are able to help please complete the online form by 12 noon on Wednesday 14th

SUMMER TERM 2024/25

02/05/2025

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Our Christian Value for
this term is

SERVICE

Our British Value for
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**MUTUAL
RESPECT**



May so that we can organise the deployment of adults - the form can be found by following this link:-
<https://forms.office.com/e/gtrYm6agtF>

Could you also ensure that your child has their PE kit and a drink in a named drink bottle in school on that day (no glass bottles please).

DUCK RACE 2025

This year's Duck Race will be after school on Friday 16th May, at the stream in Quarry Hay. As well as the race, there will be cakes (provided by Owl Class) on sale. Ducks will be on sale soon - so do get in early to secure your lucky number!!!



The Duck Race is just one of the many fantastic ways that our PTA raises money for the school. All of our pupils benefit greatly from the finances raised. One of the projects that the PTA will be supporting us with in the coming months are some new, fun playground markings. We hope this project will happen during the summer break.



You may also have heard that a few of our pupils have decided that they would like to raise some money themselves towards this project. Henley and Aoiife in Woodpecker Class have organised a sponsored bike ride between Bristol and Bath in July. If you would like to sponsor them you may do so via this link:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/chewstokeschoolbikeride?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=EM&utm_campaign=015

Well done to Aoiife and Henley for organising such a great event!

ART WEEK

Art Week was a great success! Every child in the school created artwork inspired by Leonardo Da Vinci. The results were amazing, and we were delighted to share them with you at the art exhibition in the hall today. We hope you were able to visit and see the fantastic work. Thank you to Mrs James for organising the week.



YOGA CLUB WITH MRS HASELL

Yoga, mindfulness & meditation with Emma Hasell.

Moving and learning about our bodies through yoga and the breath.

Great tools to help with worries, sleeping, calming our monkey mind and cultivating awareness of the mind & body connection.

Sessions run after school from 3.20pm to 4.15pm on Wednesdays (KS2 pupils) and Thursdays (Reception and KS1). There are 2 spaces available on Wednesdays and 4 spaces on Thursdays. To book your child in please call Emma Hasell on hasellemma@icloud.com or on: 07817 467424.

PTA NEWS

The summer term brings lots of opportunities to raise money for the school whilst having fun with your friends and family!

Duck Race - Friday 16th May

This takes place after school on Rectory Fields - there will be cakes and ice lollies for sale as well as a bar. Ducks will be available to buy from next week - we will be selling them both online and in person on the school gates - please watch out for what's app updates for more info. Fun prizes to be won!

Summer BBQ - Friday 11th July

Save the date for an evening full of fun, food, games & music!

Rags to Riches - 9th May

Clearing out your winter clothes to make room for summer? Please drop any clothing donations to the big playground before 9am on 9th May. Every penny counts!

Second Hand Uniform

As the weather gets warmer please remember that if you need any extra uniform to check out what is available on our second hand uniform shop <https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/chew-stoke-church-school> Your shopping will delivered to the school office for you to collect. All funds raised go to the PTA.

Thank you - Your PTA

FREE WEBINAR ON EMOTIONAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING FOR PARENTS/CARERS

We are pleased to offer a FREE webinar on emotional health and well-being, hosted by the school nursing team. The session will take place on the 14th of May 11:00-12:00 and is specifically designed for parents and carers.

If you would like to attend, please use the link or QR code below to sign up. We encourage you to join us for this valuable session!

<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/a1aaa71c-8103-45d1-869e-65babb41d90c@2c2b1ee0-a8a1-49e6-a820-5ce4890cf466>

GRANTS AVAILABLE FROM CHEW STOKE HARVEST HOME

Chew Stoke Harvest Home is seeking to make money grants to local worthy causes, whether organisations or individuals, within the parish of Chew Stoke and the surrounding area.

Background

Chew Stoke Harvest Home has been running for many years. The earliest known written record is from 1897, but it has almost certainly been taking place for far longer. The show has changed over the years, but the underlying themes haven't: the coming together of the community, and the appreciation of the food that we grow.

Earlier this year, the Harvest Home was re-organised so that it is now a charity. Previously the Harvest Home operated through a company, but as it was not a registered charity it was complicated to administer. The new charity is simpler to run with fewer overheads. The charity also better reflects the values that underpin the Harvest Home, aiming to make our community a better place.

The Chew Stoke Harvest Home has a long tradition of granting money to local causes. Grants are made out of any excess proceeds generated by the annual show. Following the success of last year's show, and to mark this new chapter in the history of the Harvest Home, the trustees are now inviting applications for grants

Applications

If you or your organisation are interested in applying for a grant, please email charityadmin@chewstokeharvesthome.org.uk for more information and an application form. Applications close at the end of May 2025.

The trustees would like to thank all of those who contribute so much to our village. As always, if you would be interested in being part of the team that helps plan and run the Harvest Home, please email us at the above address.

MUSICAL THEATRE HOLIDAY CLUB, CHEW MAGNA

Thursday 29th and Friday 30th May, 10am - 4pm.

Calling all young stars! Join Valley Arts for an exciting *Matilda the Musical* themed Musical Theatre Holiday Club! Our 2-day musical theatre workshop, designed for ages 7-11 (year groups 2 - 7) is a great way to boost confidence, make new friends, and create magical memories.

Over the 2-days you will be exploring songs, scenes and choreography inspired by *Matilda the Musical*, finishing with a short performance for an audience. No prior experience is necessary and all materials will be provided. Places are limited so book today to ensure your place!

[BOOK HERE!](#)

VE DAY VILLAGE HALL CELEBRATION

Bank Holiday Monday- May 5th 3-5pm

CHEW STOKE VILLAGE HALL

Vintage Tea Party to celebrate 80th anniversary of VE Day!

Adult £3 Child £2; Entry includes tea or squash and a cake of your choice

Lots more cake and savoury treats to buy on the day- come and have your tea with us!

Also: Pimm's Bar! Beer bar! Children's Quiz!

Order tickets on line to guarantee your place!

Chewstokecommunity@gmail.com or turn up and pay on the door! (Cash or contactless)

ATTACHMENT LINKS

Further items of interest can be found by clicking the following links:-

Bath and Wilts Schools FA Football Trials:- https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-church-school/files/documents/Year_4_5_and_6_BWB_trials_letter_2025.pdf

Superhero Fun Day at Bath Racecourse:- [https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-church-school/files/documents/BAT_-_25-027_Superhero_Family_Fun_Day_PRINT_A4_Poster_-_Portrait-compressed_\(1\).pdf](https://files.schudio.com/chew-stoke-church-school/files/documents/BAT_-_25-027_Superhero_Family_Fun_Day_PRINT_A4_Poster_-_Portrait-compressed_(1).pdf)