Friday 4 July 2025

Cherrywood News

Message from Mrs Lewis

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Another week has flown by and it has been a really hot one. Thank you for supporting by applying suncream to your children and sending them in with a hat. Please don't forget the water bottles, these are so very important. The children were amazing when temperatures were exceptionally high at the beginning of the week—sticking to the shade, finding alternative games for playtimes that did not involve running around and moving calmly in classrooms to not get hot and flustered. What a great example of this week's focus value of Team Work!!

Attendance

Congratulations to Larch Class

Great Attendance

Data for 23rd June to 27th June	
Ash	88.84%
Chestnut	96.%
Elm	95.54%
Larch	96.05%
Oak	92.8%
Pine	87.5%
Sycamore	95.98%

School Council's Big Question

What activities would you like us to run at our Big Picnic?



Our family picnic at the end of term has quickly become an event that the whole school community looks forward to. This year it will be held on Monday 21st July, with parents arriving for 11.50am. Each year we make alterations to improve it even further, so thank you for all the suggestions you gave to our School Council. We sadly won't be able to use all of the ideas (water ballooning teachers!) but we do plan to include a range of physical games and activities such as parachute games, and duck duck goose.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 8th July—Raising Aspirations Day
- **9th July—Year 4 (Oak) African Drumming Concert Parents welcome at 1.30pm (New Date)**
- 10th July—Year R (Ash) class assembly Parents welcome at 2.45pm
- **14th July—Transition Week Monday to Thursday**
- 15th July— New Reception Stay and Play Sessions
- **16th July—School Disco 4.45—5.45pm—New Date**
- 18th July—Year 6 (Sycamore) leavers assembly Parents welcome at 2.30pm
- 21st July—Cherrywood's Big Picnic & Afternoon of Fun
- 22nd July —Year 6 (Sycamore) reward lunch and colour run
- **22nd July—Last Day of Term—Normal finish at 3.15pm**
- **New School Year Starts—Thursday 4th September**

2025 / 2026 Inset Days & Holiday Dates

- Inset Day—Wed 3rd Sept 2025
- Autumn Half Term—27—31 Oct 2025
- Inset Day—Mon 3rd Nov 2025
- Inset Day—Mon 24th Nov 2025
- Christmas Holiday—22nd Dec 2025—2nd January 2026
- Spring Half Term—16th—20th Feb 2026
- Easter Holiday—30th March—10th April 2026
- Inset Day—Fri 22nd May 2026
- Summer Half Term—25th—29th May 2026
- Inset Day—Mon 15th June 2026
- Summer Holiday—23 July— 31 Aug 2026

SUMMER TERM DISCO



This will take place on **Wednesday 16th July.** The disco will run from **4.45pm to 5.45pm.** There is a charge of **£2** which will include a drink and snack. **Payment must be made via Arbor, under the Trips section and needs to be made in advance as you will not be able to pay on the door.** Please make payment as soon as possible so that we can get a sense of numbers of children attending.

Celebrations —

We are pleased to announce this week's -

	Value Ambassadors	Stars of the Week
Ash Class	Jessica	Killian
Chestnut Class	Affan	Finley
Elm Class	Elm Class	Jeena
Larch Class	Ayush	Joel
Oak Class	Yancey	Harees
Pine Class	Hazel	Saurav
Sycamore Class	Mohshi	Ajslin

Play Leader Awards — **Key Stage 1**

Connor

Our Value Ambassadors—recognised for showing great resilience



Stars of the Week — recognised for their efforts this week



Play Leader Awards for children demonstrating the school values in their play



Transition Week: 14th—18th July 2025

I am pleased to be able to announce who your child's class teacher will be in September.

- Ash Class – Reception – Mrs White
- Chestnut Class – Year 1 – Mrs Hazelton
- Elm Class – Year 2 – Miss Came-Evans
- Larch Class – Year 3 – Miss Hammond
- Oak Class – Year 4 – Mr Wyld
- Pine Class – Year 5 – Mrs Gurung
- Sycamore Class – Year 6 – Mrs Narayan

We know that the transition at the end of a year can be a time that both children and parents have mixed emotions about; excited to be moving to the next class but also a bit anxious. We are once again having an extended transition period to support this process.

Monday 14th July – your child will go to their current classroom as normal for register. During the morning they will move to their new classroom. They will be spending the next four days in this class. At the end of the day you will collect them from their new classroom. We will put up lots of signs to help you locate them.

Tuesday 15th July to Thursday 17th July – your child will be in their new classroom, so drop them off and pick them up from there.

Friday 18th July – everyone is back to their normal class for the remainder of the term.

Sycamore Class (Year 6) will have slightly different arrangements – they will be moving around the school using a range of rooms as they would at secondary school. They will each have a timetable that they need to follow.

We also think it is important that you get to meet your child's class teacher. Please come along at the following times.

- Mrs Hazelton – current Ash Class (reception) moving to year 1 – Thursday 17th July at 9am
- Miss Came-Evans – current Chestnut Class (year 1) moving to year 2 – Thursday 17th July at 9.45am
- Miss Hammond – current Elm Class (year 2) moving to year 3 – Thursday 17th July at 12.50pm
- Mr Wyld – current Larch Class (year 3) moving to year 4 – Thursday 17th July at 11.10am
- Mrs Gurung – current Oak Class (year 4) moving to year 5 – Thursday 17th July at 1.35pm
- Mrs Narayan – current Pine Class (year 5) moving to year 6 – Thursday 17th July at 2.20pm

If you have any questions about transition please contact the office and they will ensure a member of staff is able to help you.

Yours sincerely
Kirsty Lewis

SAFEGUARDING

HAMPSHIRE ALERT

HAMPSHIRE & ISLE OF WIGHT CONSTABULARY

Urgency: 3

NATIONAL NEWS

Ninja Sword Surrender and Compensation Scheme Launches

A national surrender and compensation scheme has launched to give people the opportunity to hand over any ninja swords in their possession before the ban is implemented.

From tomorrow and throughout July, we will be supporting the Home Office scheme until the ban comes into place on August 1, 2025, when it will become illegal to own, buy, manufacture or import ninja swords.

Not sure if your weapon qualifies as a ninja sword? These are blades between 14-24 inches long with a single straight cutting edge and distinctive tanto-style point.

The scheme enables you to claim compensation if you are eligible and you must surrender the sword at a designated police station. A claim form must be downloaded and filled out, to be handed over to the police at one of the front counters when surrendering the sword.

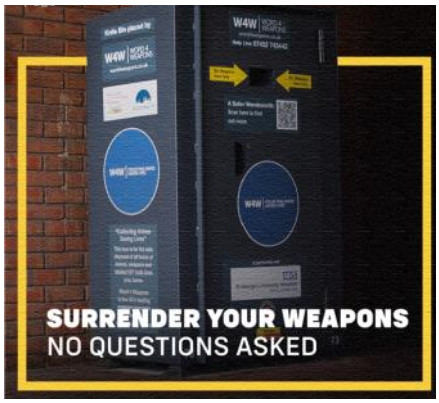
People handing in these weapons can apply for £5 compensation or greater amounts if they can prove the weapon's worth.

Follow the Home Office guidance to ensure you're surrendering any ninja swords correctly.

From August 1, 2025, anyone found in possession of a ninja sword fitting the criteria, even in a private address, could face up to six months in prison, potentially increasing to two years under Government plans.

Visit our webpage to find the closest designated police station to you.

For anyone wishing to dispose of any other weapons, they must do so at one of our surrender bins. You won't receive compensation for these items as they are not part of the surrender scheme.



PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY



We currently have an exciting opportunity for a parent/guardian to join us as a Parent Governor on the governing board. At Cherrywood we greatly value the partnership we have with parents and the benefits it undoubtedly brings to the children. One of the most significant ways you can help in promoting this aim is to volunteer to be a parent governor. The role of a school governor is a very rewarding one and it will enable you to meet new people and to work as part of a team. You will gain new knowledge and skills and will be able to bring a valuable perspective to the work of the board.

Don't worry if you have no experience, as full training and support is available and you will be well supported by your colleagues on the governing body.

The governing body's main tasks are:

* to ensure that the school has a clear vision, ethos and strategic direction
* to hold the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils
* to oversee the financial performance of the school, making sure its money is well spent, and
* that pupils are safe.

At Cherrywood, we also have a strong focus on being an inclusive and diverse environment where veryone is welcome and everyone is recognised for the unique contributions they make to our School. We have high ambitious for all our pupils and provide them with a wide range of opportunities to raise their aspirations and learn about what the wider world can offer them and how they can be effective members of society.

Parent governors are valued members of the team and play a vital role in ensuring that the governing body has access to parent perspectives and a greater knowledge of the local community.

We feel sure that there are parents prepared to take on this important role and to give their time and commitment to helping us to continue to improve the school's performance, also, to play their part in ensuring that our pupils fulfil their aspirations.

Full training and support will be available to help you develop into the role. This will include in-house mentoring and support, as well as access to external governor training.

More information about the work of Governors and how we organise ourselves can be found on the school website. If you would like to speak to one of our existing Governors about their experiences of the role, then please contact the school office and we will be in touch.

Useful information can also be found on the Hampshire Governor Services website: **hants.gov.uk/governors-volunteer**.

If you would like to apply to join our board, then please contact the school office for an application form, which will need to be completed and returned to the school by 12.00 noon on 10th July 2025. This can be done by delivering a paper copy to the school office or emailing it to: adminoffice@cherrywood.hants.sch.uk

Please note, that for the protection of children, all governor appointments are subject to an identity and DBS check. If there are more applications than vacancies, we will hold an election, and you will be sent a voting paper in due course. You should return the ballot paper to the school reception.

We very much look forward to receiving your parent governor application form.

Mrs Lewis / Mrs Read (Headteacher / Chair of Governors)

Year 5 Book Festival at Sixth Form College Farnborough



On Thursday Year 5 spent the morning with Paul Giffney a Poet and

Chie Kutsuwada an Illustrator. The morning was divided into two sessions. In the first session the children explored synonyms for selected words, experimented with wordplay and rhyming, wrote a first draft of a poem to share with their partner and then edited and improved their poem based on partner suggestions.

In the second session the class drew alongside Chie Kutsuwada and created and drew their own original manga character. The whole class were really engaged throughout and showed a great attitude towards learning by being inquisitive and asking thoughtful questions.





































Year 4—Oak Class—Cooking!

Oak Class have been investigating balanced meals this term, and had a fantastic time last week creating tasty tortilla wraps. The children chopped, sliced, and shredded their healthy ingredients to perfection, before taking them home to share with friends and family. The class located the source of their tortillas on the world map, and went back in time to link their learning to the eating habits of the Ancient Maya!

































Year 2—Elm Class—Assembly

On Thursday Year 2 performed their assembly about the best parts of the year. They were amazing! Well done Elm class!






Year 2—Elm Class—Caterpillar Champions Session 3

On Tuesday Caterpillar Champions visited Elm for their final session with the class. Elm class showed them the habitats they had made. When speaking about their habitats the children made caterpillars, butterflies, eggs and pupas out of Knex. They also coloured in butterflies camouflaged with the environment.








Year 2—Elm Class—WOW!

So many of Elm's poems about the senses were chosen to be published in a book! Well done!



Year 6—Sycamore—Intergenerational Project

Some Year 6 pupils have been chosen to lead games and activities with children at Henry Tyndale's Early Years Centre which they are finding thoroughly rewarding.



Additional Information:

- Every item is free.
- Items are claimed on a 'First come – First served' basis.
- We hope to provide you with 1 or 2 of each item of school uniform needed.
- Items will be counted out at the end (this is for the purpose of our numbers).
- We do not have changing facilities.
- If you bring children or young people to the event with you they remain your responsibility.
- Each Child gets a 'Back to School Bag' to take away at the end.
- All items, both new and second hand, have been generously donated. Please respect event and all of the volunteers who are working hard to provide for everyone.

For more information please contact
Abbie Edwards community@goodshepherdchurch.org.uk

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High Score Arcade Farnborough



Saturday 5th July
12.45-1.45pm, 1.45-2.45pm
2.45-3.45pm

The Meads Shopping Centre, Unit 29, Farnborough
GU14 7SL
Bookings must be confirmed in advance please email
louisa@spotlightuk.org



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MOORFEST

Sunday 13th July 2025
11.00 am till 3.00pm
Suggested donation 20p entry.

Teddy Tombola • Bouncy castle • Cake stall • Wax melts • Sweet cones Nellie's donuts • Water stocks • Coconut shy • Refreshments • Seed bombs Planter making with Sunflower plants • Firebrigade have been contacted • Tug of war, Walking football, yoga, Bikes and the company who installed the gym equipment will be there to show the correct use for maximum gain.

Moor Road Recreation Ground.

WHAT'S ON
SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Southampton City of Opportunity | SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

See venue websites for further details on events and to book*
seacitymuseum.co.uk | tudorhouseandgarden.com | southamptoncityartgallery.com

WEEK 1

Tour For All:
Titanic Walking Tour
Thurs 24 July / 11am, 2pm / Tudor House / £8 or £24 for families



Art for All:
Deep Sea Watercolours (7+)
Thurs 24 July / 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm / Art Gallery / £8

Hands On History:
Discover Titanic (6+)
Fri 25 July / 10.30am, 12.30pm, 2.30pm / SeaCity / £8



Tudor House & Garden Summer Fete

Sat 26 July
10am – 5pm (last entry 4.15pm)

Join us for a day of family fun celebrating 113 years since Tudor House opened as a museum with games, crafts and other exciting activities. Plus a BBQ in the garden.

Small charges will apply on the day for activities. See our website for full details.

WEEK 2

Hands On History:
Treasure Seekers (6+)
Mon 28 July / 10.30am, 1pm /Tudor House / £8

Hands On History:
Tudor House Time Machine (6+)
Tues 29 July / 10.30am, 1pm / Tudor House / £8



Art for All:
Clay Unicorns and Dragons (5+)
Tues 29 July / 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm / Art Gallery / £8



Art for All:
Pokemon Pictures (5+)
Wed 30 July / 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm / Art Gallery / £8

Art for All:
Panda Press Printing (5+)
Thurs 31 July / 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm / Art Gallery / £8

Art for All: Under the Sea Summer Lanterns (4+)
Thurs 31 July / 10am, 11.30am, 1.30pm, 3pm / Art Gallery / £6

Hands On History:
Awesome Egyptians (6+)
Fri 1 Aug / 10.30am and 1pm / SeaCity / £8

WEEK 3

Art for All: Regency Fashion Paper Dolls (6+)
Tues 5 Aug / 10.15am, 11.30am, 1.15pm / Tudor House / £6

Art for All: Brilliant Beach Bags: Paint, Print and More! (5+)
Tues 5 Aug / 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm / Art Gallery / £10



Hands On History:
WW2 Super Science (6+)
Wed 6 Aug / 10.30am, 1pm / Tudor House / £8

Art for All:
Sunset Summer Lanterns (4+)
Wed 6 Aug 10am, 11.30am, 1.30pm, 3pm / Art Gallery / £6



Tour For All:
Jane Austen and Georgian Southampton
Thurs 7 Aug / 11am / Tudor House / £8 or £24 for families

Art for All:
Panda Press Printing (5+)
Thurs 7 Aug / 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm / Art Gallery / £8

Hands On History:
Discover Titanic (6+)
Fri 8 Aug / 10.30am, 12.30pm, 2.30pm / SeaCity / £8

*Advance booking is recommended

SUMMER 2025 HOLIDAYS

Princes Hall Theatre · Aldershot

Play In A Day

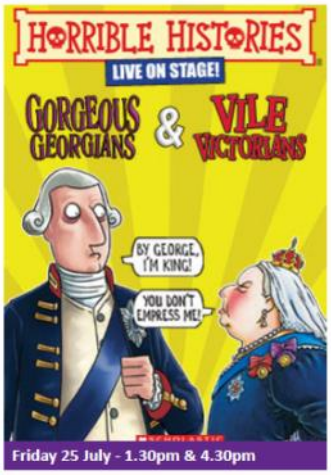


Monday 28th July 2025 10am to 4pm
7-11yrs £25
Topic: Alice In Wonderland
A must for all drama fans! Our expert leader, Debi will give you the opportunity to learn new theatrical skills, meet new friends, build confidence and work on a short play that will be performed to parents at the end of the day.

Dance In A Day



Wednesday 30th July 2025 10am to 4pm
7-11yrs £25
A must for all dance fans, movers and shakers! Our expert leaders, Justine and Sian will give you the opportunity to learn new dance moves and skills, meet new friends, build confidence and work on a number of short choreographed pieces that will be performed to parents at the end of the day.



Friday 25 July - 1.30pm & 4.30pm



Wednesday 27 August - 7.30pm

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Saturday 26th July
3:00pm
Lawn tickets - £12.50



The Lion King (PG)
Sunday 27th July
2:00pm
Lawn tickets - £12.50

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11am Younger Kids (4-6 yrs) - *Musical Jungle Explorers*
2pm Older Kids (7-10 yrs) - *Body Music, Ball Games & Drums*
3pm Babies, toddlers & pre-schoolers (0-3 yrs) - *Under the Sea*

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ADVENTURE ACTIVITIES



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Scale the climbing tower, embrace your inner warrior with archery, burn bright in fire lighting, become a sharpshooter in air-rifle shooting, and explore the passageways of our artificial cave system.

We provide all specialist equipment so all you'll need is a camera to capture some memories and a spirit of adventure!



GUIDED CANOE TOURS

BOOK NOW

2 hr 30 min tour | Ages 6 +

This is a great opportunity to explore, by water, the scenic and historical stretch of the Basingstoke Canal including sights like a World War 2 pill box, historic bridges, and local wildlife.

The trip also includes some light refreshments.



LOOKING TO BOOK ACTIVITIES FOR A GROUP?

We welcome groups of all ages to the centre and offer range of activities.

Email: rwe@hants.gov.uk
Tel: 01252 344421
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This summer, Premier Education is bringing fun, action-packed Holiday Camps to Cherrywood Primary School. With activities including sports, creative arts, and team challenges, it's the perfect way for children to stay active, make friends, and enjoy their break in a safe and supportive environment. Camps are Ofsted-registered and accept tax-free childcare vouchers, making them a great choice for working parents. Spaces are limited, so book now at [www.premier-education.com/camps.](www.premier-education.com/camps)

YOUR NEAREST MULTI-ACTIVITY CAMP

Venue: Cherrywood Community Primary School, GU14 8LH

Dates: 28th July to 21st August 2025

Times: 9.00am to 3.00pm

Ages: Reception to Year 6

Additional info: Book via our website premier-education.com/holiday-camps

This course is for HAF eligible children only. To book you will require a unique registration code from Hampshire County Council. Please complete the form via the link to receive your code: https://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/childrenandfamilies/connectforcommunities/holidayactivities/register.

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A packed lunch
Plenty of water
Suitable clothing
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Summer Activity Club

The Wavell School
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Monday 21st July	Tuesday 22nd July	Wednesday 23rd July	Thursday 24th July	Friday 25th July
✗	✗	✓	✓	✓
Monday 28th July	**Tuesday 29th July**	**Wednesday 30th July**	**Thursday 31st July**	**Friday 1st August**
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Monday 4th August	**Tuesday 5th August**	**Wednesday 6th August**	**Thursday 7th August**	**Friday 8th August**
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Monday 11th August	**Tuesday 12th August**	**Wednesday 13th August**	**Thursday 14th August**	**Friday 15th August**
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Monday 18th August	**Tuesday 19th August**	**Wednesday 20th August**	**Thursday 21st August**	**Friday 22nd August**
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Monday 25th August	**Tuesday 26th August**	**Wednesday 27th August**	**Thursday 28th August**	**Friday 29th August**
✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
Monday 1st September	**Tuesday 2nd September**	**Wednesday 3rd September**	**Thursday 4th September**	**Friday 5th September**
✓	✓	✗	✗	✗

Our course is only open to Girls and boys from year R - 9 (inclusive) who are eligable for benefits related free school meals. The aim of our courses are for children to have a great time and make friends in a safe, structured but fun environment.

Activity Club Content
Our Activity childcare club will still be based around fun multisport games and team building challenges. However, to ensure a safe operation we have planned adaptations to each session and any equipment we use.

The Activity club can include a choice of:
•Football •Uni Hoc •Softball •Nerf Games •Go-Karts
•Basketball •Dodgeball •Badminton •Tennis •Frisbee
•Arts and Crafts •Benchball •Lego •Inflatables

Times
Our holiday club runs from **8:30am to 4:30pm**.
Registration opens at 8:20am

Ways to book
Via our online home @ cm-sports.co.uk

What do I need to bring?
We have fantastic indoor and outdoor facilities to best equip for the British weather, however please ensure that children bring with them suitable clothing and plenty to drink.

Who will look after my child?
Our coaches make it their mission for your child to have the best time whilst they are with us. They are enthusiastic, professional in their approach and have a passion for teaching.

Our staff are:
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•FA and multiskills qualified
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