



27th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderfully busy and uplifting week we've had here at Chacewater School. As a team, we've taken time to reflect on how we do things, and we've been delighted to receive such positive feedback from visitors to our school this week.

We began the week with a visit from Saffron Blake, a maths teacher at Richard Lander School, who came to see how we teach maths and to support transition work between primary and secondary. She was thoroughly impressed by the high-quality teaching and learning happening in our classrooms, and she commented especially on how brilliantly our children talked about their learning. They represented our school exceptionally well.

On Tuesday, we welcomed Clair Bateman, Headteacher of Trewirgie Infant School, and David Jones, Headteacher of Goonhavern School, who spent the morning exploring our Early Years provision in Acorns. They focused on the **ShREC approach**, which we are implementing in Reception. ShREC stands for Shared attention, Reciprocity, Emotional connection and Communication—an approach that helps adults build meaningful, language-rich and emotionally attuned interactions with young children. Both visitors left incredibly impressed by the adults in our Early Years team and the high-quality interactions taking place throughout the setting.

Across Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, the team has also been completing phonics assessments this week. These play an important role in helping us understand exactly where each child is in their reading journey and what their next steps should be. A big well done to all the children for working so positively.

Thank you also to everyone who attended a parent meeting this week. These conversations are invaluable and help ensure that school and families are working closely together to support each child in the best possible way. We really do appreciate your time and input.

To round off the week, *Red Oaks* enjoyed an inspiring trip to Truro College for Operation Cornwall: Young Designers Shaping Cornwall's Future Hospital. This hands-on design day invited children to imagine the new Children's and Maternity Hospital planned for RCHT Treliske. They threw themselves into the challenge and represented Chacewater School wonderfully.

As you can see, it has been a jam-packed week! Looking ahead, please remember the PTA Easter Egg Hunt on Wednesday afternoon (details below), and our early finish at 1pm on Thursday as we break up for the end of term. I hope you all have a fantastic weekend.

Mr Hick

Reminder

Our last day of this term is Thursday 2nd April at 1pm.

Online Safety Newsletter

We have shared this month's Online Safety Newsletter, which can also be found [here](#).



This month's Online Safety focus highlights the importance of **checking age ratings on games**, as even cartoon-style games can contain content not suitable for younger children. Parents are encouraged to use **parental controls** on devices such as Nintendo, Xbox, PlayStation and Apple/Google accounts to restrict access and manage downloads. The newsletter also reminds families to look at content descriptors, reviews and any communication or in-app purchase features before deciding if a game is appropriate.

There is guidance on using **BBC iPlayer for Kids**, which allows children under 13 to enjoy age-appropriate programmes through their own profile, and includes suggestions to help keep children entertained on long journeys.

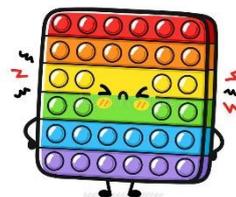
A new **AI Safety Campaign** from Essex Police, BT and EE warns about risks linked to deepfake technology and explains how parents can help protect children if images are misused. The newsletter also raises awareness of the harmful ideologies found in parts of the **"manosphere"** online, encouraging parents to build children's critical thinking and have age-appropriate conversations about equality.

Information is provided on setting **parental controls for ChatGPT**, as well as details about **WhatsApp's new Parent-Managed Accounts** for under-13s—though the newsletter stresses that this does not mean WhatsApp is generally suitable for younger children.

A Little Reminder – Toys and Fidgets From Home

We've noticed an increase in children bringing in their own toys, teddies and personal fidgets from home. While we completely understand how special these items are, they can sometimes cause distractions, disagreements or become lost or damaged during the school day.

To help keep things running smoothly, please ensure that toys and fidgets stay at home unless a member of staff has specifically asked for something to be brought in. We have plenty of resources in school for children who need them, including appropriate sensory tools.



Thank you for your support in helping us keep our classrooms calm, focused and enjoyable for everyone!

Thursday 2nd April - Special School Dinner Menu





Easter Egg Hunt – Important Update

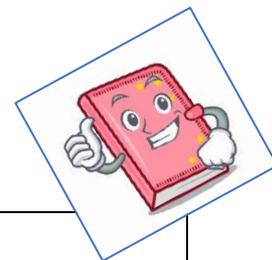
This year, our Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be slightly different to previous years and will take place on school grounds at 3:15pm on **Wednesday 1st April**.

There will be the usual egg hunt, along with a raffle, tombola, and fun games for everyone to get involved with.

Please note that **the egg hunt itself is a ticketed event**, to help us ensure enough Easter eggs are ordered. Tickets can be booked here:

 <https://www.pta-events.com/chacewaterschoolpta/index.cfm?event=shop>

If children are in Chatterbox then we will also make sure that they have a chance to take part if booked in.



Dates For Your Diary

19.1.26	After School Clubs Begin
26.1.26	Inset Day - School Closed to Children
16.2.26 – 20.2.26	Half Term
23.2.26	Start of 2 nd half term
2.3.26 and 9.3.26	Year 5 swimming block
12.3.26	Lego League Competition
16.3.26	Last week for clubs
18.3.26	Young Oaks - Farm and Country Trip
18.3.26	Discos
20.3.26	Comic Relief
23.3.26	Parent Meeting Week
27.3.26	Red Oaks Trip to Truro College
1.4.26	PTA – Easter Egg Hunt
2.4.26	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 (while swimming)
- Mighty Oaks – Wednesday and 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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(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	Corey & Texas
SEEDLINGS	Ashley & Tommy
BUDS	Sienna & Kilian
YOUNG OAKS	Locryn & Lorelei
BUR OAKS	Thea & Mia
RED OAKS	Riley & Stanley
MIGHTY OAKS	Ellie & Sophie



Signposting



NHST
Wild Wellbeing

MHST, in collaboration with Natural England, Cornwall Wildlife Trust and National Trust, would like you to join us on a FREE Wild Wellbeing session in Cornwall.

This is for parents and children aged 5-12 in Cornwall to help understand and support emotional and mental wellbeing.
Please book EACH child on to a session
Each session will last approx. 2 hours

Locations and dates:

- 07 April - Golitha Falls
- 07 April - The Gardeners House, Penzance
- 14 & 15 April - Penrose Estate
- 16 April - St Ives Community Orchard

More sites and dates may be added so keep checking!

All sessions will begin at 10am. Please wear weather appropriate clothing!



To request a place, complete the online form
<https://forms.office.com/e/CdbKBnMHOq>



Scan to sign up

Please be aware that spaces are limited and assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. If you cannot attend after being allocated a place, inform us so we can give your spot to someone else.

Follow us on Facebook for updates and upcoming events:
Cornwall Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

EASTER HOLIDAY CLUBS

at **Globe Vale Holiday Park**
(Sinns Common, Redruth TR16 4BH)



The Halo Team will be back at Globe Vale over the Easter Holidays to bring you lots of fun activity clubs for your children. From arts and crafts and baking, to water play and Easter egg hunts, there will be plenty to keep your children entertained.

FRIDAY 3RD APRIL

MONDAY 6TH - FRIDAY 10TH APRIL

MONDAY 13TH - FRIDAY 17TH APRIL

Full Day: 9am - 5pm

Half Day: 9am - 1pm or 1pm - 5pm

AGES 3 - 14 YEARS

If your child is under 3 years of age, please do contact us as we may be able to cater for them also depending on daily staff ratios.

COST: Full Day: £40.00 Half Day: £25.00

How To Book:

For more information or to book
please contact:

Email: halochildcarecornwall@gmail.com

Phone: Jess: 07938 839313





Wasson Wednesdays



Easter Fun!

Wednesday 8th and 15th April

10am - 3.30pm

Site entry **FREE**

Egg Nature Trail **£1**

DIY Craft Kits **£2.00**

Spring Crowns **£1**

Pop up café serving drinks,
snacks and cakes.

Join us for a fun-filled day celebrating spring.

Make a spring crown and explore our site
on our egg themed treasure hunt.

We invite you to bring a picnic to enjoy in our beautiful grounds.

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