



Charborough Road
Primary School

The Charborough Road Chronicle

Friday 25th September 2026

Headteacher's Welcome

The positive start to the year has very much continues here at Charborough Road. The children are so settled and we have seen some incredible progress in areas across the school already. Year 6 have shown some very promising outcomes in their first round of PIXL tests and the first phonic assessments in Year 1 have been very positive also.

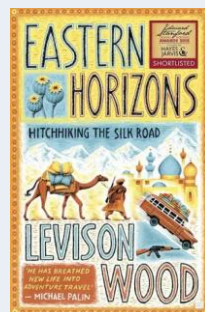
Our lunchtime discos continue to be a huge success, bringing lots of smiles, laughter and energy to the playground. It has been wonderful to see children from across the school enjoying the music, dancing with their friends and making the most of these fun opportunities during their break times. The discos have created a real buzz around school and have been a fantastic way to promote happiness, friendship and a sense of community. A huge thank you once again to our amazing Friends of School for their kind donation of the speaker system. Your generosity has helped create countless joyful moments for our children, and we are incredibly grateful for your ongoing support.

I would also like to extend an extra special thanks to you all for your continued support with school attendance. We have started the year very positively and really would like to maintain this as the year goes on.

Currently, I am reading:

Best wishes,

Matt Lankester, Headteacher
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Attendance Update

This week, our whole school attendance is:

96.7%

Our whole school attendance target is:

95%

Class	Last Week	This Week
Squirrels	99.3%	98.1%
Otters	97.2%	99.2%
Foxes	95.2%	95.3%
Robins	97%	98.8%
Doves	95.3%	97.1%
Kingfishers	93.5%	96.8%
Falcons	98%	95%
Rabbits	98.9%	98.7%
Badgers	100%	98.8%

This is incredible – look at all that green! This week, every class has met or exceeded our school attendance target. Thank you so much for your continued support. If you need any help or advice regarding attendance, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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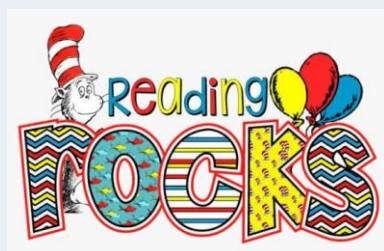
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Year 6 Reading Café

Monday's Year 6 Reading Café gave pupils the chance to showcase their growing confidence as readers while sharing books with their families. All pupils left with a goody bag including a reading challenge and a homemade bookmark to inspire more reading beyond the classroom.



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Year 4 are Geographers

Year 4 went to Brean to learn about their theme Blue Planet. They hiked up Brean Down and looked out for the geographical features we have been learning about.



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Learning Fun in Year 2



Our first Mystery Reader

We are Scientists

Year 2 have been looking at microhabitats around the school site. They found all sorts of interesting wildlife.



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Golden Lock Competition Off to a Fantastic Start!

Our Bike Golden Lock Competition has already got off to an exciting start, with lots of children cycling to school and eagerly hoping to be spotted by Mr Lankester .

The competition is simple: if your child cycles to school and parks their bike or scooter safely, they could be chosen as the winner of the coveted Golden Lock. Winners receive special recognition and a prize, and there has been great excitement around school each time the Golden Lock appears on a bike!

As well as being great fun, cycling to school helps children stay active, supports their wellbeing, and reduces traffic and congestion around our school gates.

A gentle reminder that children must cycle to school to be entered into the competition. Every journey by bike is another chance to win, so keep those wheels turning!

We look forward to seeing even more children travelling actively in the coming weeks and announcing many more Golden Lock winners. Good luck everyone!

More Exciting Travel Improvements on the Way!

We are delighted to share that, following the achievement of our Modeshift STARS Bronze Award, Charborough Road Primary School will be receiving additional bike racks and benches over the next few weeks. These improvements will provide more secure cycle parking and additional seating areas for pupils and families to enjoy.

The Bronze Award recognised the fantastic progress we have made in promoting sustainable and active travel, and we are incredibly proud of how many children and families have embraced walking, cycling, scooting and other environmentally friendly ways of travelling to school.

Even more excitingly, we are already well on our way towards achieving the Modeshift STARS Silver Award, which we hope to secure by Christmas. This next milestone reflects our continued commitment to encouraging healthy lifestyles, reducing congestion around the school gates and helping our pupils understand the importance of looking after our environment.

Thank you to all our families for your continued support. Every journey made on foot, by bike, scooter or public transport helps us move one step closer to our Silver Award goal!



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Could Your Child Be Eligible for Free School Meals?

We understand that many families are facing increasing financial pressures, and we want to ensure that every child receives the support they are entitled to. If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM), we would strongly encourage you to apply.

Registering for Free School Meals not only means your child can access a healthy meal each day, but it also unlocks valuable additional funding for the school through the Pupil Premium. This funding helps us provide extra teaching support, targeted interventions, enrichment opportunities, educational resources and wellbeing support, benefiting children across our school community.

Even if your child is currently receiving a free meal through the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, it is still important to register if you are eligible, as the additional funding follows your child throughout their education.

You may be entitled to Free School Meals if you receive one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (with a household income below the relevant threshold)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and your annual income is below the qualifying threshold)
- Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

We know that some families may feel hesitant about applying, but eligibility is based on specific criteria and many working families qualify. Any application is treated sensitively and confidentially.

To check your eligibility and apply online, please visit: South Gloucestershire Council Free School Meals <https://www.southglos.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/free-school-meals/>

If you would like support completing an application, please contact the school office. We are always happy to help and ensure that families receive the support available to them.

Together, we can make sure every child has the best possible start to their day and access to the opportunities they deserve.

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Did you attend Charborough Road Primary School?

We are celebrating our
100th ANNIVERSARY
during 2027.

We are planning a number of celebration events,
including a Saturday Open Day. Dates will follow,
and we hope you will join us for this historic
event!

In the meantime, if you have any memories or
photos you would be willing to share with us, we
would love to hear from you!

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Charborough Road Nursery



52 place nursery (26 morning and 26 afternoon children)

Nursery will be available for any child from the term after their 3rd birthday

Nursery will run from 08.00 – 18.00, Monday to Friday, term time only

08.30 – 11.30 and 12.30 – 15.30 will be teacher led sessions

Sessions outside of these times will be bookable and funded by parents

Early Years curriculum developed with input from Alistair Bryce-Clegg, International EYFS Consultant

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Support for Parents

Did you know that you have access to a helpline and app with our partner, Howdens. They can offer all sorts of help and advice to parents regarding a whole range of concerns. This can be a very tricky time for families so please do not be afraid to ask for support.

Dedicated caregiver helpline

Dedicated 24/7, 365 support and guidance for caregivers who may be worried about the emotional wellbeing of a child or young person.

Caregivers can include:

- ♥ Parents
- ♥ Legal guardians
- ♥ Teachers
- ♥ Academic support staff

The helpline provides immediate support for the wellbeing of the caregiver themselves too, as supporting a young person can bring about many different challenges. Trained counsellors will be able to provide advice on many areas for caregivers who are supporting a child or young person through:

- ♥ Generalised anxiety - Excessive worry about everyday matters
- ♥ Social phobias - Severe feelings of self-consciousness and insecurity in social settings
- ♥ Depression - Persistent feelings of sadness, anxiety, and/or emptiness
- ♥ Eating disorders
- ♥ Risk-taking behaviours, including substance use
- ♥ Suicidal ideation
- ♥ Self harm
- ♥ Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

0800 012 1571

Call anytime of day



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PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN EVENTS FOR COHORT 2027



Meadowbrook Primary School

Tuesday 6th October / 5:00pm

www.meadowbrookprimary.co.uk



Filton Hill Primary School

Wednesday 7th October / 5:00pm

www.filtonhillprimary.co.uk



Charborough Road Primary School

Thursday 8th October / 5:30pm

www.charboroughroadprimary.org.uk



Bradley Stoke Community School

Tuesday 13th October / 5:00pm

www.bradleystokecs.org.uk



Callicroft Primary Academy

Wednesday 14th October / 5:00pm

www.callicroftprimary.org.uk



Stoke Lodge Primary School

Thursday 15th October / 5:30pm

www.stokelodgeschool.co.uk

Book your place via the Olympus Academy website or individual school websites.



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YOUR CLUB PROGRAMME

SEPTEMBER TO DECEMBER

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: SCHOOL END - 16:30

MONDAYS

MY TIME | PRE-SCHOOL - YEAR 6

TUESDAYS

MY TIME | PRE-SCHOOL - YEAR 6
FOOTBALL CLUB | YEAR 1 - YEAR 3

WEDNESDAYS

MY TIME | PRE-SCHOOL - YEAR 6
FOOTBALL CLUB | YEAR 4 - YEAR 6

THURSDAYS

MY TIME | PRE-SCHOOL - YEAR 6
CRICKET CLUB | YEAR 1 - YEAR 6

FRIDAYS

MY TIME | PRE-SCHOOL - YEAR 6
GYMNASTICS CLUB | YEAR 4 - YEAR 6

SNACK & CHILL LATE STAY
MON - FRI 16:30 - 17:55

Book online at: **MyShine.co.uk**

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