



CHARMOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

FRIDAY 27TH MARCH 2026

Mrs Elliot-Judge's Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy week in school including a fantastic trip that took place on Wednesday for Turtles and Dolphins. It has been lovely to be able to be in school and see all of the learning taking place.

Thank you for your support as we have had some changes to staffing this week. We are pleased to share that we have been successful in our most recent rounds for appointing TAs and we look forward to these new members of staff joining the team. Whilst all of the appropriate checks and processes take place, we have staff joining us from supply agencies, including supply teachers if teaching staff are absent. Whilst we endeavour to have familiar faces for the children, this is not always possible, but our priority remains having staff on site that support our children as we work towards the end of term. Thank you for your understanding.

Unfortunately, Mr Owens is currently unwell and will not be in school before the end of term. We are very grateful to Mrs Dare who will be acting as school leader in his absence. Please contact Mrs Dare or the school office in place of Mr Owens. I will be in school at different times over the coming days as well.

We'd like to thank the staff for all of their hard work and care that they give to your children every day.

As you are also aware, Mrs Harrison will be leaving Charmouth Primary on Monday. The school will not be the same without her and we know she will be missed after all her years of dedication and working in the school. We would like to wish her every happiness and success on her new adventures!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and hopefully we will have some sunshine!
I look forward to seeing you next week.

Kind regards

Mrs Sarah Elliott-Judge
School Improvement Officer
First Federation Trust



Diary Dates

Tuesday 31st March
SEND Coffee and Connect -
Parent Voice: Shaping
SEND at
Our School

Thursday 2nd April
12:30 Easter picnic-
parents welcome.
Last day of term.

Monday 20th April
First day back- Summer
Term.

Tuesday 5th May
SEND Coffee and Connect
Supporting good mental
health

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Important information and notices

Thursday 2nd April
Easter Event in School-
parents are welcome to
picnic from 12:30 then
stay for Easter crafts.

Y6 SATs Week
Monday 11th May-
staffing structure will
change slightly this
week to accomodate
this.

Monday 20th April

All return to school
for start of Summer
Term

YAY!

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Thank you to all for
attending...

PTFA raised...

Thank you to all PTFA
members for organising
etc

Well done Dolphins and Turtles!

We have filled our pebble bucket
this week, so on Tuesday
afternoon we will have golden
time. Children are allowed to
bring in one small (and
inexpensive/non-precious) toy
to play with should they so
wish.

Easter in Dorset
information

<https://www.helpandkindness.co.uk/easter-in-dorset-2026>

CELEBRATIONS

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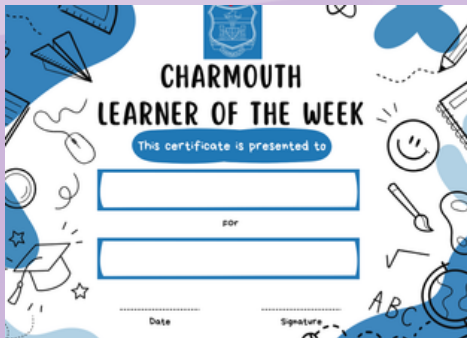
RESPECTFUL

SAFE

Home Celebrations

Xanthe has crocheted some fantastic lillies!

Learners of the Week



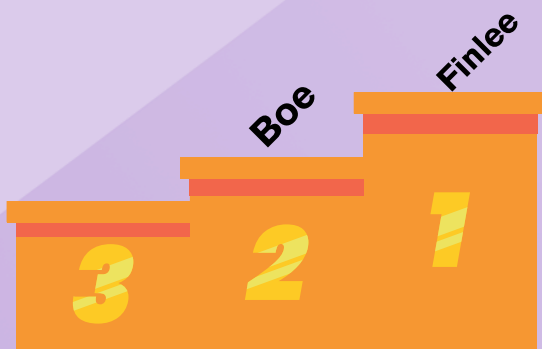
Turtles/Dolphins – Odette – for wonderful participation and stamina during our school trip.

Seals– Lilly M– for showing excellent ready, respectful and safe behaviours.

Sharks– Friston– making a great improvement in learning behaviours– well done.

TT rockstars

Biggest improvement in accuracy



Total minutes on Numbots



FOCUS ON

DOLPHINS CLASS

Dolphins class have been enjoying the new layout of their classrooms over the past few weeks. The smaller room is used for more formalised, Key Stage One work as well as phonics group work.

The main classroom is where lots of the EYFS action takes place, to enable the children to fully embrace and get 'hands on' with their carefully designed and planned activities.



We have had a mud kitchen revamp with volunteers Russ from the village and Nicole from Mrs Ethelston's building a brand new kitchen for us to play in. Huge thanks go to them but also to Travis and Perkins who donated the materials needed. We are all so very grateful and absolutely loving it!



Yesterday, we had a fun day trip to Lyme Regis Museum where we learned more about Mary Anning, why she was so famous and remembered today. We even got to take home our own ammonite fossils!



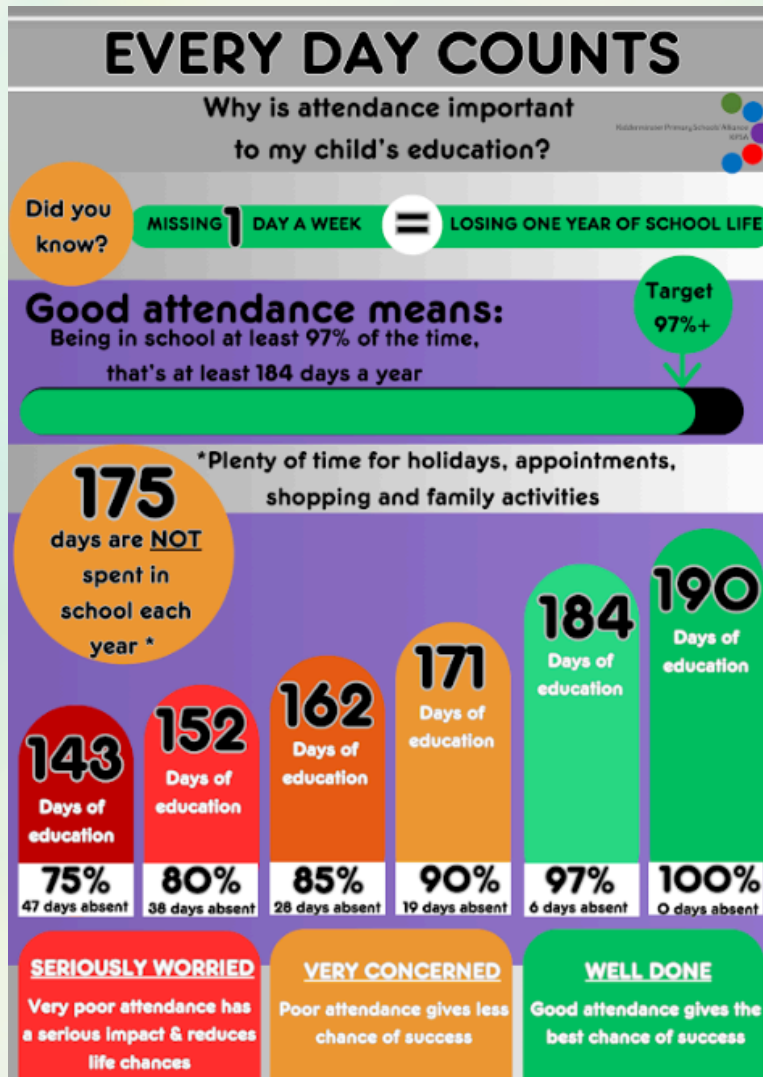
Beach school has taken place each week again this half term and linked closely to our science topic about minibeasts. This week we helped to clean zones on the beach by collecting litter and making inviting habitats to make creatures safe.

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FAMILY SUPPORT ADVISOR


At Charmouth Primary School, we believe that children should attend school regularly and arrive on time. Good attendance is **crucial** to effective learning and the continuity of the learning experience, therefore we place great emphasis on this in our communication with parents and carers. Regular attendance means the pupils can make the most of their education, improving their chances in adult life. It will help their social skills, such as making and keeping friendships. A regular and punctual attendance pattern will also help when they enter the world of work.

We understand that getting children into school every day isn't always easy. If things feel difficult, you are not alone – we're here to support you and your family.



Local groups and events etc.



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CHARMOUTH COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Library opening times are

- Monday, 14.00 to 16.30
- Wednesday 14.00 to 16.30
- Friday 10.00 to 12.00
- Saturday 10.00 to 12.00

Please return books at the Self-Service machine.
 Return books through the letterbox when we are closed.
 Borrow books using the Self-Service machine or at the desk.
 Pay fines etc either using the Self-Service machine or with the exact money at the desk. Cash/coins only.
 Both public computers are available.
 Computer prints and photocopies can be made, but please make sure beforehand that you can pay in cash/coins.

Leaflet: October 2024 PTO




Join us on a (Dinosaur!) Egg Hunt this Easter Holiday!

Find the letters inside the hidden eggs and solve the puzzle in return for a reward!

28 March - 12 April

Drop-in Activity, no booking required
 Museum open from 10am to 4pm, Tuesday to Sunday

Adults: (£5 for 12 months of unlimited visits)
 Children & Under 21s: FREE



Bridport Museum

 
 @bridport_museum
 Registered Charity 1090327

Parenting together in a digital world

Join us for an online information event designed to help parents and carers feel confident supporting their child in today's digital world.

This online event offers practical insights and open, non-judgemental conversations about how smartphones and digital technology can influence children's wellbeing. Professionals will share insights on supporting safe and balanced tech use, and there will be the chance to ask your own questions.



Event details:

 Tuesday 14 April

 7.00pm to 8.30pm

Our speakers include:

Dr Helen Thomas, Hampshire GP

James Law, Primary Headteacher

Leanne Symmonds, Secondary Headteacher

David Sidwick, Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner





Sign up by scanning the QR code or by visiting:
www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/parent-together-event

This event is delivered in partnership with:




Please keep us updated on any relevant community events which we can share.

Lunch Menu for Next Week

 LUNCH MENU WEEK TWO SPRING 2026 				
MEAT-FREE MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Homemade Cheddar & Broccoli Pasta Bake (v) Garlic Bread	Southern Fried Chicken Goujons with Soft Wrap	CM Roasted Beef, Roast Potatoes & Yorkshire Pud	Complete Meats Sausage Roll	Davys Locker Salmon Fishcake
Jkt Potato with Baked Beans or West Country Cheddar	Homemade Sweet Potato Wraps (vg)	Homity Stuffed Yorkshire (v)	Homemade Caterveg Vegan Sausage Roll (vg)	Quorn Vegan Fishless Finger (vg)
Mixed vegetables	50/50 Traffic Light Rice (wholemeal/white rice with colourful veg)	Fresh Seasonal Vegetables, Gravy	Half Jacket Potato with Baked Beans	Chips & Peas
Homemade Fruit Shortbread	Homemade Custard Biscuit	Fresh Fruit Platter	Homemade Spiced Apple Cake & Custard	Fresh Local Fruit Yoghurt Apple Juice

Lunches can be ordered via ParentPay, please contact the school office if you have any issues with this.

Contacts

We believe that you should be able to get in touch with us quickly when you need us with any questions, concerns or anything else. Your child's class teacher should usually be the first point of contact but for anything urgent please contact the school office.

School Office

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SENDCO

Please contact the school office for support

Family Support Advisor

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Head of School

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