

Key Dates

February 2025	
Thursday 6 th February	Year 5 MC48 trip to Exeter
Friday 7 th February	Year 1 trip to St Mary's Church Wear your scarf to school day
Wednesday 12 th February	FMCA School Disco – please see the poster at the end of the newsletter
Friday 14 th February	Last day of this half term and our celebration of the NSPCC Number Day
Monday 24 th February	Children return to school & EYC after the half term holidays
Tuesday 25 th February & Thursday 27 th February	Parents Evenings in the school hall
March 2025	
Friday 21 st March	Comic Relief fundraising day

Whole School Art exhibition

On Friday 24th January, Mrs Morton, Miss Grabham and the Arts Councillors hosted our sixth annual public Art Exhibition at Chard Guildhall. This year's focus was on Architects and Designers, with each year group learning about a different Architect or Designer, and creating Art inspired by their work. Children from our Early Year Centre and Foundation



Stage collaborated to make four large pieces of Art, and all children from Year 1 to Year 6 had their own individual work on display. These pieces included collage, pastel drawing, watercolour painting, textiles, clay sculpture and miniature dioramas. Our Gifted & Talented Art pupils in Years 1 to 4 did speed continuous line drawings and those in Years 5 and 6 did pencil sketches. Chard Mayor Cllr Victoria Bates opened the event and chose pieces to go on display at the Communitea Waffle House. Mayor's Choice winners were awarded prizes in the celebration assemblies today. Once again, we had many visitors - family and friends of the school alongside members of the public. The exhibition was well received by all who visited, and the Arts Councillors hosted it confidently

and professionally.

**Mr John Brice**

Mr Talmage has been informed, that Mr John Brice, Manor Court Headteacher between 1970 and 1990, has died peacefully. Mr Brice was 90 years old and is survived by his beloved wife, Chloe, children, and grandchildren. Chloe and John would have celebrated sixty-five years of marriage this March.

During his long and successful career in education, John oversaw the education of thousands of Manor Court pupils and shared with them his passion for swimming, making it a personal mission to raise the required funds to build a swimming pool within the Manor Court site (a goal that he achieved and has subsequently become our school hall in further expansion projects) and always making it a priority to teach them the required skills to stay safe around water.

John was also an active member of Chard town's community and had the pleasure of serving the town as its mayor for many years.

If you would like to send a message of condolence to the family these can be sent to the family via the school office, and we will pass them on for you.

**Year 4's Big School Campout**

Last week saw Manor Court's first sleepover and what an amazing time was had by all. The Year 4 children arrived bursting with excitement and eager to discover what was in the night's sky. Thankfully, Storm Éowyn passed by quickly and the clouds eased over the course of the evening. Crewkerne Astronomy Society brought two magnificent telescopes that enabled the children and staff to see Jupiter (and three of its' moons), Venus, Mars, The International Space Station and several constellations. The detail of Jupiter astounded many, with some children able to detect the dust clouds.



The children were also shown (with an impressive laser pen) many constellations, explaining how white light affects our eyes limiting our ability to see the night's sky clearly.

Amongst the stargazing, many hotdogs were consumed, and Mrs Terry lit a fire in the playground for roasting marshmallows and s'mores! To end the evening of fun, the children settled down to enjoy 'Wish' the film and hot chocolates before heading to sleep in the classrooms.

Miss Brown teaching Eagles class for the Summer Term

Miss Langdown is due to start her maternity leave at Easter time. We are delighted that Miss Brown will be returning from her maternity leave at the end of March and will teach Eagles for the duration of the Summer Term.



NSPCC Number Day – A message from Miss Langdown

On Friday 14th February, we will be holding NSPCC Number Day! This day will not only raise money for the fantastic charity that is the NSPCC, but it will also be a day to celebrate numbers and all the brilliant maths work that we do at school. During the day, each class will be taking part in a maths themed activity. We will be asking for a suggested 50p donation, and in return, the children can wear numbers instead of school uniform. This could be a favourite sports top or cap, or even a onesie. Or why not get more creative and

design a unique t-shirt, hat or even become a human-sized calculator or dice! We look forward to seeing your numerical outfits!

If your child usually has PE/swimming on a Friday, please ensure that their outfits are comfy and easy to change into/out of!

Trip to Sierra Leone – A message from Mr Talmage

In my free time I have the pleasure of being a trustee for two charities, including a charity based in the Midlands that runs a school in Freetown in Sierra Leone. Our Governing Body have given permission for me to travel to Sierra Leone for the last two days of this half term and I will be returning to school for the first day back after half the February half term holidays. I will be leading assembly with the children about my trip when we return for the new term and will share photos of my trip for the children to see via the school Facebook page.

Year 5 participating in the Schools Across the Oceans Project

On Thursday 23rd January, Foxes class held their first Zoom meeting with their link school in Dubai, Hartland International School, as part of the Schools Across the Oceans Project run by Exeter University. The children from both schools exchanged photos and discussed the local environment and the closest beaches.



Foundation Stage Gingerbread men

Foundation Stage loved the story of 'The Gingerbread Man' last week. They produced some wonderful writing, in which they wrote a list of ingredients and a set of instructions for Mr Clode so that he would know how to make his own gingerbread men. The children then made their own Gingerbread man and decorated them as part of their DT work.

Chard food pantry – A message from Miss Gregory (Early Intervention Officer)

The cost-of-living crisis is hitting some hard and the cost of food has increased incredibly. The Chard Community Pantry is a local initiative that provides food and household supplies for only £5 a week and is based in the Chard Community Hub in Boden Street.



Do you think your child needs a Health Care Plan? A message from Mrs Terry

Parents of children with medical conditions are often concerned that their child's health will deteriorate when they attend school. This is because pupils with long-term and complex medical conditions may require ongoing support, medicines or care while at school to help them manage their condition and keep them well. Others may require monitoring and interventions in emergency circumstances. At Manor Court Community Primary, we want our parents to feel confident that we will provide effective support for their child's medical condition and that our pupils feel safe. In making decisions about the support, we provide; we may need

to have a meeting with you to discuss your child's needs. Since September, I have taken on the responsibility of meeting with parents to ensure that Medical Health Care Plans are in place for those children who need one, but if you are unsure or if your child has a health condition that you don't feel the school is fully aware of, please speak to your child's class teacher or make an appointment through the Office to speak to me.

Wear your scarf to school day – A message from Miss Clarke

Friday the 7th of February is 'Wear Your Scarf Day' in support of children's mental health week. The children will spend the afternoon learning about their current PSHE topic, as well as having the opportunity to discuss the theme for this year, which is 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself.' They will be encouraged to share their feelings and points of view with their class in different activities and show their individual creativity too! Please allow your child to come into school on this day wearing a scarf of their choice. There is no donation required and it can be any colour they wish (the brighter the better!) We are very much looking forward to this day, as it is also a chance raise awareness around the discussion and importance of children's mental health.





Burns Night Assembly

Miss Brooke's and the children of Magpies led our whole school Zoom assembly last Wednesday. They told us all about Burns Night that is celebrated in Scotland on the 25th of January each year! We found out why Robert Burns is famous, heard some of the songs that he wrote and considered if we'd like to eat Neeps and Tatties.

Trim Trail – A message from Mrs Jones

Can we please remind all parents that children are not to use either Trim Trails at the start, or end of the day, and must only use them under the supervision of school staff during the school day.

Year 3 Fossil Workshop

As a part of their science topic: "Rocks," Year 3 welcomed Lyme Regis Museum into school on Wednesday morning to run a fossil workshop. The children learnt all about the different fossils, how they are formed and why Mary Anning was such an important person in history. The children were fascinated and thoroughly enjoyed it.



Manor Court Toddler Group

Since returning to school after the New Year we have started a new weekly initiative – *The Manor Court Toddler Group!* Our toddler group will be held every Thursday morning (term time only) from 9.30am – 11:00am in the school hall, on a first come, first served basis. We are asking for a 50p donation each week to cover the cost of tea and coffee for parents and drinks for the children.

If you would like to join us, you must book a place by contacting us via messenger or by emailing toddlers@manorcourt.ppat365.org. We will need to know your name, your child/children's name and if either of you have any allergies or special requirements. Please note we can only accept children 12 months or above.



Catering manager role

We are looking for a catering manager to lead our excellent on-site catering team who now provide over 200 hot meals, each day, to our wonderful children. If this is a role that interests you, please find the job advertisement at the end of this newsletter and further information, including the job specification, job description and application form can be found in the vacancy section of our school website.

Year 5 Cross Country at Holyrood Academy

Last week a number of Year 5 children had a brilliant afternoon representing the school at the Holyrood Cluster Cross Country event last Tuesday. The children represented the school brilliantly and supported each other throughout the run.



SEN Support and Parent Carer Forum – A message from Mr Clode

We have been made aware that there are groups in the community that are supporting parents of children with SEND and additional needs. Whilst we would hope the majority are there to help and support, we have been told that some are giving misleading advice and we have even been informed of some parents being asked for money for advice on a case-by-case basis.

If you have any questions around, SEND or additional needs, or need any advice or signposting, please do not hesitate to speak to me at school or contact the Somerset Parent Carer Forum for professional independent advice.

Please do note that we also host regular well-attended Parent Carer Forums with a welcoming and supportive group of parents and led by independent professionals. The next Parent Carer forum at Manor Court is on Thursday 13th March between 9 - 11am.

Attendance our school expectations – A message from Miss Gregory

Pupil attendance and punctuality is a key focus and priority within our school. Individual attendance is monitored and reviewed on a bi-weekly basis. We would like to kindly remind parents that the school's expectations on individual pupil attendance is 95% and above, with the aim of having 100% pupil attendance. Should your child fall behind the school's expectations a monitoring process is triggered, and we may ask you to come into school to discuss your child's attendance with us. Should you have any questions or concerns relating to your child's attendance please do not hesitate to contact me within the school.



Safeguarding

Safeguarding is the responsibility of everybody. In terms of keeping children safe, please “Don’t think “What if I’m wrong Think... ‘What if I am right” If you have any concerns about a pupil, you should report this to a member of staff immediately. If you feel a pupil is at risk or a subject of abuse, you must contact the Designated Safeguarding Team immediately. The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Clode and Deputy Designated Safeguard leads are Miss Gregory, Mrs Terry, and Mr Talmage. The school Safeguarding and Child Protection Governor is Mrs Sue Wakeman.

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Have we got your correct details? A message from the school office

To help to keep your child safe, please make sure that if you know that you have changed your telephone number or email address that you remember to let the school office know so that we can update our records.



Online safety news from Miss Hamilton

Doomscrolling is where someone gets caught in a continuous cycle of negativity and fits in perfectly with algorithmic literacy above. Whilst doomscrolling is often intentional, it can also be a result of the decisions the algorithm makes and being led down a rabbit hole of doom. This can have ongoing effects such as anxiety and other negative effects on wellbeing. Internet Matters has a great article about doomscrolling, including things to look out for and advice for parents. You can find the article here at:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/news-blogs/what-is-doomscrolling-parents-guide/>

The Community Fridge – A message from Miss Gregory (Early Intervention Officer)

The Community Fridge is for everyone in Chard and the local area to use without referral. It is open, when there is food available, at set times and is staffed by a team of volunteers. The fridge is based in the front room, of Chard’s Community Hub (in the old library in Boden Street) and there are also shelves of food in the food room which is at the back of the premises. Items here include dried food, tins, toiletries, pet food, and some baby food. We also have freezers which can have donations from stores and local shops for people to help themselves to. Please see the poster at the end of this newsletter that explains the times that the Hub and Fridge are open.

Nature Clubs Wassailing

Nature Club took part in their own version of Wassailing last week! This ancient custom is practised across the country, after Christmas, with singing and dancing taking place in fruit orchards to bless the fruit trees and to encourage a bountiful harvest in the autumn.

Nature Club held a musical procession up to our apple tree which grows in the Pond area. We had a toast to the tree with apple juice whilst listening to a Wassailing poem. The children also hung bread from the tree branches as an offering to the birds. Did you know that the robin is also believed to be the guardian of the orchards? Hopefully we shall have a bumper harvest of apples later in the year!



Staff car park – A message from Mr Talmage

Can we please remind all parents that the staff car park at the rear of the school is not to be used by parents at any point as a place to park during drop off or collection times. Please remember that the school provides free parking permits for parents to park in Sainsbury’s carpark at the start and end of the day.



EYC News from Miss Warren

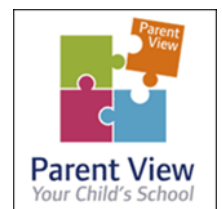
The children at preschool have enjoyed our new topic of ‘modern stories’. We have read The Hungry Caterpillar, The Gruffalo and Supertato amongst others. Next week we are going to make our own sandwiches like in The Tiger Who Came to Tea. We have also enjoyed investigating and developing our science skills with some experiments. We created a snowstorm in a jar, exploding snowmen and made rainbows from Skittles. The children learnt that water and oil don’t mix!

Please help us – A message to all parents (especially our new Foundation Stage parents)

Please be mindful of parents and children trying to get past the Foundation Stage area and into the main school. Please try to not block the pathway as it is exceedingly difficult for wheelchair users or parents with buggies and prams to get past. Thank you.

Ofsted Parent view

Parent view is a way in which Ofsted surveys the parents of children within a school to find out their views of the school and how it can be improved further. These opinions become part of the overall judgment of the school. If you would like to pass on your opinions to Ofsted, please complete the survey on the parent view website. The website can be found at www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk



We take child protection extremely seriously at our school. If you have a concern, you can speak to any of the school’s designated and trained Child Protection officers: Mr Clode, Miss Gregory, Mrs Terry, Miss Warren, or Mr Talmage. Alternatively, you can ring Children Social Care on 0300 123 2224 or email childrens@somerset.gov.uk



Celebration Assemblies

Family members are very welcome to join us at our EYFS & KS1 and KS2 celebration assembly on Friday's. Our assemblies are held every week apart from when we do require the school hall for a whole school event.

The EYFS & KS1 Assembly will start at 08:50 in the school hall and the KS2 Assembly will start at 10:50 in the school hall.

Please enter the school site through the main gate at the front of the school and enter the hall via the normal door, after crossing the Key Stage 1 playground and walking around the back of the hall.

Wrap around care booking reminder from the school office

Our wrap around care provision is extremely popular but we are having an increasing number of children attend who have not been booked on to sessions. Whilst we make every effort to accommodate them, we cannot always guarantee that there is space.

Please may we remind you of the following booking deadlines:

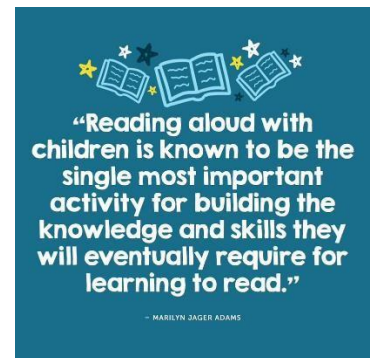
After school care – 14:00 on the day. Breakfast club – 14:00 the day before.

Reading expectations – A message from Mrs Terry

At Manor Court Community Primary School, we seek to ensure that children are supported to be confident, lifelong learners with a love of reading. Reading plays a very important role in developing children culturally, emotionally, and socially and we believe literature plays a key role in such development. Reading enables pupils both to acquire knowledge and build on what they already know.

In school children in KS2 are heard reading on a 1:1 basis at least once a week by their class teacher and Learning Support staff and this is much more frequently in Foundation Stage and KS1. Those pupils not at an expected reading level are heard daily. The EYFS and Key Stage 1 reading books follow a clear progression of banding, ensuring fluency is developed. This academic year, you may find your child has a book sent home that they have already read at school, and this is something that is now promoted in all schools. The more a child reads, the larger their vocabulary becomes. When a child reads or hears the same book multiple times, they become familiar and comfortable with a greater number of words. Fluency is the ability to read text "accurately, quickly, and with expression."

Repetitive reading allows a child to read without stumbling or stopping, and reading time becomes more pleasant for everyone. Once a child master's one book, it makes moving on to another more appealing. Reading comprehension is the ability to understand all the components of a story — from plot to character development to symbolism. Comprehension is "the essence" of reading. Each time your child reads or hears a book read to them; they learn more about the story itself. Each pass through the text or illustrations allows them to dive into the story's meaning, preparing them for more complex narratives down the road. Children who progress from the banded scheme to 'free readers' can access their class library, and the school library, and can be supported to select appropriate books by staff. Pupils are encouraged to take home fiction and non-fiction texts. Children are expected to read at home five times a week, ideally daily, as this helps to develop confident and fluent readers. We would recommend 20 minutes of reading a day. Children's reading logs are checked to ensure this is taking place. Where children are not reading the required amount in school, they are invited to attend a lunchtime reading club. There is also opportunity to read to a member of staff at Homework Club and After-school Club.



Pupil Premium

The Pupil Premium is additional funding that the Government provides for each child who they believe may be disadvantaged in achieving their best in education. At Manor Court Community Primary School, we provide high quality education and enrichment opportunities for each pupil regardless of ability or background. However, it is useful to receive this funding for all children entitled to it. If your children are entitled to free school meals or a member of the household is currently in receipt, or has been in the last six years, of Universal credit then please do apply through this hyperlink or ask in the school office for a form that we can send off for you.

https://secure1.somerset.gov.uk/forms/PortalShowForm.asp?fm_formalias=freeschoolmeal

Wrap around care telephone number

The telephone number for our wrap around care provision (breakfast & after school club) is **07471 412147** Please save this telephone number to your phone if you use wrap around care. Breakfast club is held in the school hall and our after-school wrap around care is held in The Den (a room in the Year 1 block). To ensure that we have the correct ratios please ensure that you contact the school office the day before you require club. We appreciate that emergencies sometimes happen.



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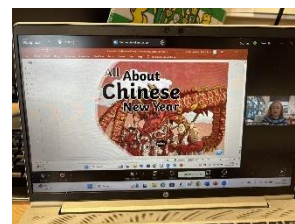
School uniform provider – A message from Mrs Hunt (Assistant School Business Manager)

As you will now know, our school uniform provider is South-West School wear. The uniform can be purchased from the Taunton store, or online. Please see the letter that was sent home via ParentPay and can be found on our website for further details about the service that will be provided to Manor Court families.

Chinese New Year Assembly

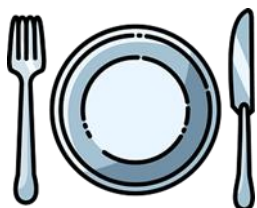
Miss Llewellyn and the children from Kingfishers class led us in our whole school Zoom assembly today.

The topic this week is Chinese New Year, which starts today! We learnt that 2025 is the year of the snake, that each year is named after a different animal in the Chinese Zodiac and also the different traditions that Chinese people have in their New Year celebrations.



Chard Hockey Club

Chard Hockey Club are looking for new youth players. Please see the poster at the end of this newsletter for information.



Hot meals parental feedback – A message from Mrs Hunt

Our onsite kitchen is now providing a hot meal for average over 200 children each weekday and it appears to us that the children within the school are enjoying the meal that is being offered to them and parents have selected for them through ParentPay.

We would like to ask parents to provide feedback, positive or negative, as to the food that we are providing to your child. If you would like to share this feedback with us, please do email the school office.

Can you help?

The 'Chard Together' event, which showcased a number of local artists, businesses, food, charities and cultures last year returns again in 2025, on Saturday 22nd March. The committee are currently seeking a face-painter for the event. If you know of anyone suitable, please email the office or pass some details to Mrs Terry. Keep your diaries free for what promises to be another successful day celebrating all that is Chard.

Remote learning in case of the need to close our school this winter

We are in the time of the year when the weather becomes unsettled and schools may require closing because of poor weather, treacherous driving conditions or heating failures. If we do require to shut the school at any point, work packs are available on our school website and can be printed at home.

<https://www.manorcourtcommunityprimary.co.uk/remote-learning-in-case-of-school-closure/>

Please do make sure that your child is equipped with the correct clothing for cold weather.



After school enrichment clubs – A message from Mr Clode

Please can I politely remind all parents that our afterschool enrichment clubs finish at 16:15 and ask you to arrive promptly to collect your children.



The FMCA needs you!

The FMCA is a group of parent volunteers who spend time raising money (whilst having fun) for activities or equipment to be used for the children in the school. The work that they do is vital, and the committee needs more volunteers to help them achieve more for the children.

If you would like to find out more about their work and how you can get involved, please do email them on contactfmca@gmail.com or contact them through their Facebook page.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mr Luke Talmage
Headteacher

Mr Alan Clode
Deputy Headteacher and Inclusion Leader

Catering Manager
Manor Court Community Primary School, Chard, Somerset, TA20 2ES
www.manorcourtcommunityprimary.co.uk

Grade 12:12 - 19 - £14.36 to £16.10 per hour
Term time only plus an additional seven days throughout the year
26.25 hours a week, 08:45 to 14:00 on Monday to Friday
Fixed Term for two years in the first instance
Employers pension contributions 24.4%

Manor Court Community Primary School (proud to be part of PPAT - the Preston Primary Academy Trust) is a large fourteen class community primary school on the Somerset and Devon border. We are a busy, inclusive, and friendly school. We take pride in providing over 220 meals a day to the children who attend our school. Our school ethos is built upon 'caring and learning together' and we believe that this is evident in all that we do for our children and staff.

Main Duties and responsibilities

- To operate and further develop the catering services at the school to the set and maintain high standards.
- To ensure that the school's reputation for the highest quality food and services is established and maintained.
- To ensure that the school maintains a Food Hygiene Rating of 5.
- To ensure that all catering operations are conducted according to Somerset County Council and School catering and other Policies.
- To administer catering controls, keep adequate records and ensure proper returns are rendered.
- To recruit, induct, train and develop staff to deliver a quality led service in a customer focused manner.
- Responsible for the management of all catering team personnel, their training, motivation and performance.
- Responsible for the preparation, cooking and presentation of meals through direct involvement and delegation of tasks in order to ensure that the standards and costings defined by the school are achieved.
- Ensure that the cleaning is of the highest standard at all times and passes the regular cleaning/Health and Safety audits.
- Responsible for the purchase of all consumables, non-consumables and light equipment within the limits of the budget liaising with the school Finance Officer reordering and invoicing.

Please apply by completion of the application form, outlining your skills and experience relevant to the post, which is available from the school and the PPAT website. Visits to the school are warmly welcome.

Your completed application form can be posted to the school or emailed to office@manorcourt.ppat365.org
Please address it for the attention of Mrs Diana Hunt, Assistant school Business Manager.

Closing Date: Midday on Monday 3rd February 2025.
Interview Date: Week beginning Monday 10th February 2025.
Start Date: Required as soon as possible.

Please note: Early applications are encouraged. Manor Court Community Primary School reserves the right to interview and appoint prior to the closing date, should the school be able to appoint a suitable candidate.

Due to the expected number of applications, we will only inform applicants if they have been shortlisted and invited to attend an interview. If you have not heard from the school by Friday 7th February, you have not been successful on this occasion.

Eco Warriors Competition

Can you design a healthy snack poster? You must give examples of the types of healthy snacks we can eat at school. Make it colourful and eye catching as the winning posters will be displayed around the school!



All entries must be handed in by Friday 7th February.
Remember to put your name and class on the back of
your design.



FREE FAMILY COOKING



Registered Charity 1173120

Chard Baptist Church, 9 Holyrood Street, TA20 2AH

Tuesday 18 February

10.30am - 1pm



In association with
Abri Homes for their tenants
and families on low incomes

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TO
TAKE HOME**

Booking is essential and spaces are limited, contact Project Food

T: 01297 631782 E: info@project-food.org.uk www.project-food.org.uk



THE FMCA PRESENTS

NON SCHOOL UNIFORM & DISCO



Wednesday 12th February

Suggested donation of £1 (Paypal or Cash) in exchange for a free school disco for all pupils at Manor Court + Pre School

EYC/Foundation 1.45pm – 2.15pm

Y1 / Y2 (KS1) 2.30pm – 3.15pm

Y3 / Y4 (KS2) 3.30pm – 4.15pm (Permission slip needed)

Y5 / Y6 (KS2) 4.30pm – 5.30pm (Permission slip needed)

The FMCA will not be selling drinks, so children are to bring their own drinks plus a water station if needed.

PLEASE NOTE FOR KS2 ONLY we will be selling prepacked tuck bags at an extra cost.



Community Fridge

Monday

2pm to 4pm

Tuesday

Closed

Wednesday

10.30am to
12.30pm

Thursday

10am to
midday

Friday

4pm to
5.30pm

Saturday

Closed

Sunday

Closed

Chard Hockey club

Junior Training for ages 7+

No experience
needed and sticks
available

Wednesdays 7-8pm
Girls training

Thursdays 7-8pm
Boys training

Contact: welfare@chardhockeyclub.co.uk



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WARM MEALS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Starting from Tuesday the 10th of December we will be offering hot meals between 2:30pm- 4:30pm to help those who don't have access to warm and nutritious meals.

This is aimed at helping families and individuals have access to:

- Nutritious food
- A warm space
- Friendly company
- Affordable filling meals

PAY WHAT YOU CAN IF THAT IS NOTHING THAT IS OKAY

*Come along, enjoy a hot meal and connect with your community.
Together, we're here for each other.*

*6a Holyrood Street Chard, Ta20 2ah
Contact us on: 01460 497578*

FMCA



Events Calendar

2024-2025

23 Oct

FMCA Annual General Meeting

22 Nov

Christmas Wreath Workshop

03 Dec

Break the Rules Day

14 Dec

Children's Table Decoration Workshop

31 Jan

Winter Quiz

12 Feb

Non School Uniform & Disco

06 Mar

World Book Day- Talmage Treat Bar

28 Mar

Easter Bingo

16 May

Colour Run

Other events TBC



Manor Court Community Primary School School Terms and Holidays 2024-2025

September 2024						October 2024						November 2024								
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Su	1	8	15	22	29		Su		5	12	19	26		Su		2	9	16	23	
March 2025						April 2025						May 2025								
M		3	10	17	24	31	M			7	14	21	28	M			5	12	19	26
Tu		4	11	18	25		Tu		1	8	15	22	29	Tu			6	13	20	27
W		5	12	19	26		W		2	9	16	23	30	W			7	14	21	28
Th		6	13	20	27		Th		3	10	17	24		Th		1	8	15	22	29
F		7	14	21	28		F		4	11	18	25		F		2	9	16	23	30
Sa	1	8	15	22	29		Sa		5	12	19	26		Sa		3	10	17	24	31
Su	2	9	16	23	30		Su		6	13	20	27		Su		4	11	18	25	
June 2025						July 2025						August 2025								
M		2	9	16	23	30	M			7	14	21	28	M			4	11	18	25
Tu		3	10	17	24		Tu		1	8	15	22	29	Tu			5	12	19	26
W		4	11	18	25		W		2	9	16	23	30	W			6	13	20	27
Th		5	12	19	26		Th		3	10	17	24	31	Th			7	14	21	28
F		6	13	20	27		F		4	11	18	25		F		1	8	15	22	29
Sa		7	14	21	28		Sa		5	12	19	26		Sa		2	9	16	23	30
Su	1	8	15	22	29		Su		6	13	20	27		Su		3	10	17	24	31

Key:	
	School Holiday
	Bank Holiday
	Term Time
	Inset Days

Term dates summary:	
Term 1: 03 September – 25 October 2024 (39 days)	
Term 2: 04 November – 20 December 2024 (35 days)	
Term 3: 06 January – 14 February 2025 (30 days)	
Term 4: 24 February – 04 April 2025 (30 days)	
Term 5: 22 April – 23 May 2025 (23 days)	
Term 6: 02 June – 23 July 2025 (38 days)	TOTAL = 195

Bank and public holidays 2024/25			
Christmas Day	25 December 2024	Easter Monday	21 April 2025
Boxing Day	26 December 2024	May Day Bank Holiday	05 May 2025
New Year's Day	01 January 2025	Spring Bank Holiday	26 May 2025
Good Friday	18 April 2025	Summer Bank Holiday	25 August 2025
Academy, Free Schools, Foundation & Voluntary Aided schools can set their own term dates and may differ from ours. Please check with the individual schools for their term dates.			

We take child protection extremely seriously at our school. If you have a concern, you can speak to any of the school's designated and trained Child Protection officers: Mr Clode, Miss Gregory, Mrs Terry, Miss Warren, or Mr Talmage. Alternatively, you can ring Children Social Care on 0300 123 2224 or email childrens@somerset.gov.uk

TOGETHER ON TUESDAY

A club for primary school children
and their parents, carers & siblings

**Join us for Crafts, Cooked Tea,
Songs & Story**

New craft each week

Cooked tea provided

Short bible story and song

**Every Tuesday during term
time**

Starting the 10th September

3.30pm - 5pm

St Mary's Church rooms

THIS IS A FREE CLUB BUT DONATIONS ARE WELCOME