



West Chinnock Church School News

Friday 17th October 2025

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Head's Update...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who joined us to celebrate Harvest last week... this means so much to us.

I have provided an attendance information leaflet for you all today and next week, before parents' evenings, children whose attendance is a concern will receive a support letter from us.

Each term, I now must meet our local authority to go through absences. Any child below 90% attendance is recorded as a Persistent Absentee and this can trigger follow up action from the Local Authority.

Please remember, we are here to help and support with attendance – a good increase this week in attendance!

We need to be above 95.5% - we can do this!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Kind regards,

Connel Boyle

Harvest Festival

We enjoyed a super Harvest Festival, celebrating through song, poetry, and a lovely performance. The Lord's Larder is very grateful too! Artwork remains on display in the Church for all of October.

Our thanks to you all who have completed our Harvest Survey... there is still time to complete this... please click <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=zYYnkfAdvk6PP19ExfR4BQqHEuu3eVtJmxSxx2vwz-NUOU5SNkdYVINHVzVFWkVPSjNYTTdDTjdYUy4u>



**Our whole school
attendance target
is**

95.5%

**We are at
95.1%**

+0.5%

**Acorn Class
current
attendance**

95.85%



+0.05%

Just above target

**Oak Class
current
attendance**

94.55%



+0.45%

Must improve





Headteacher's Award

Jacob

All of Acorn Class!

Fridays Children
Award

Lucy Tyler

**Headteacher drop-in
sessions every Friday at
9.30am**

Mr Boyle is available for any parent to drop in to see him without the need for an appointment. Please do feel free to use this session after family assembly to answer any queries you may have.

Friday Family Assemblies

**Every Friday at 9am
In the school hall**

What a busy week for Acorns!

We have had a fantastic week of learning both indoors and out! Acorn class have been learning about Neil Armstrong and why he is a significant person in history. We have been learning about our bodies and what humans need to survive including a healthy balanced diet and good hygiene.

Our story in Drawing Club last week was 'The Little Red Hen'. We helped the Little Red Hen use her bread to make jam sandwiches and then wrote the instructions during our English lesson. We then performed the story during our Harvest service. In art we have been learning about colour and the artist Kandinsky. We have also been tidying the forest school area and filling our planters with fresh compost.

Some serious investigations in Oak Class...

Oak Class have had a fantastic week of learning! In Science, we made our own 'blood samples' to explore the components of blood and investigated how exercise affects our bodies. In History, we examined Stone Age weapons and used primary and secondary sources to learn all about life in Skara Brae. Our English lessons produced some brilliant 'How to Survive in the Wilderness' guides — truly fantastic reads! Year 6 completed their first SATs practice with great focus, while Years 4–6 impressed with their rounding work. We've also enjoyed super swimming, hockey, and netball sessions in PE!



Playtime fun at Chinnock

Playtimes continue to be happy and active, with lots of fun equipment to enjoy.

Whilst we have the weather!!!

Our Chinnock's love joining in team games, making up new games and learning to play kindly and cooperatively together. It's a real joy to watch our family playtime ethos at our little school.



Diary Dates:

- Mondays Netball Club
- Tuesdays Multi Sports Club
- Thursdays Art and Crafts Club
- **Wednesday 22nd October Parents Evening (Oak from 1.30pm)**
- Friday 24th October last day of term 1
- Monday 3rd November first day of term 2

The school calendar for 2025 to 2026 can be found at
www.nortonandwestchinnockschoools.co.uk/key-information/term-dates.htm

Our Open Mornings

*Please share with friends
and other local families...*

*Our first visitors loved our
school, lets share how
amazing our school is!*

 

OPEN MORNING

AT WEST CHINNOCK CHURCH SCHOOL

We're excited to welcome prospective children and their parents/carers to our nurturing school ahead of the admissions for September 2026.

Date: 18th October 2025
10am - 11:30am



For any queries please contact the school office:
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STAY AND PLAY

AT WEST CHINNOCK CHURCH SCHOOL

A chance for children aged 3-4 years to have fun, make new friends and explore our school.
We welcome you and your child or Early Years staff with a small group from their local setting.

 **Time: 11:00am - 12:00 midday**

Thursday 2nd October
Thursday 4th December
Thursday 6th November
Thursday 8th January



Please wear clothes and footwear suitable for outdoors

To book your place, please contact the school office:
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