



**Christ Church Chorleywood C of E School**  
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September 2025

### Return to School Information 2025-2026

***"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful. I know that full well." Psalm 139: 13-14***

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope that you had a lovely summer break, a chance to rewind, recharge and make some precious memories with your families. It is always helpful, before term starts to receive information about the start of term and what to expect. Further information will be communicated to you by our newsletter on a Friday.

#### **New School Year**

All children will return to school tomorrow, Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. You can find the school's term dates on the table below.

Full attendance is required by law.

<b>Current Academic Year 2025-2026 CONFIRMED</b>			
<b>Dates</b>	<b>Autumn term 2025</b>	<b>Spring term 2026</b>	<b>Summer term 2026</b>
<b>Inset Days (School closed to children)</b>	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> & Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April & Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June
<b>Development Days (School closed to children)</b>	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> September & Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July
<b>Starts Finishes</b>	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July
<b>Half term Break (School closed to children)</b>	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October to Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Term Break (School closed to children)</b>	<b>Christmas break 2025:</b> Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December to Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	<b>Easter break 2026:</b> Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March To Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Summer break 2026:</b> Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July to TBC

#### **Arrival and Departure**

- Each class arrives & departs at the times stated below.
- Only Early Years parents are permitted access beyond the brown playground gates that lead to the area.
- KS2 children should be dropped at the brown playground gates and walk into school independently.
- All adults are encouraged to leave the site as quickly as possible to allow for a prompt start to the school

#### **Chess Valley Primary Learning Trust**

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day.

- Once your child has been dropped off in the morning and collected in the afternoon, please leave the site and immediate vicinity as quickly as possible.

### Arrival/Departure Schedule:

Class	Drop-off	Pick-up	Location
Year 6	<b>8.40am</b>	<b>3.15pm</b>	Side gates/covered pathway/Y6 door
Year 5	<b>8.40am</b>	<b>3.15pm</b>	Side gates side access path/Y5 door
Year 4	<b>8.40am</b>	<b>3.15pm</b>	Side gates/Y4 external door
Year 3	<b>8.40am</b>	<b>3.15pm</b>	Side gates/Y3 external door
Year 2	<b>8.40am</b>	<b>3.15pm</b>	Front gates/Y2 external door
Year 1	<b>8.40am</b>	<b>3.15pm</b>	Church gate/Y1 external door
Reception	<b>8.50am</b>	<b>1.30pm (if part time) 3.10pm (full time)</b>	Side gates/YR outdoor area gate
Nursery	<b>8.50am</b>	<b>12pm (1pm if in lunch club) 3.10pm (if full time)</b>	Side gates/YN outdoor area gate

### Lunch Arrangements

- The school will be continuing to work with Dolce Ltd.
- All school lunch orders will be made online via your School Grid account.
- *All school meals must be ordered by parents online in advance of the day before 9.30am.*
- All pupils in Reception & KS1 (Y1 & Y2) are entitled to a government grant-funded meal. Parents must still order their choices online.

### Communicating with School

- The main communication from school comes via Arbor. This home/school communication system is used to send email messages to individuals, whole classes & the whole school.
- Until you receive a message sent from the school, avoid basing your understanding on the often muddled or mixed messages posted on WhatsApp groups.
- We use Seesaw as our class & home platform.
- If there is something that cannot be communicated by email or telephone, and you need to speak directly to a staff member, please make an appointment so we can make necessary arrangements.
- If you need to drop a letter at school, please deliver to the office in school hours. Out of school hours you may use the post box outside the main school entrance.

### Visitors on Site

All visitors to school must sign the visitor book and be given a lanyard.

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### **Breaktime Fruit/Veg & Water**

- We are a **NUT-FREE** school for the safety of the children with severe nut allergies.
- For Nursery, Reception and KS1 a snack of fruit (fruit for school scheme) will be provided during the mid-morning break.
- KS2 children must bring their own fruit/veg. **No other snacks will be permitted – fruit or veg only unless otherwise agreed with the Class Teacher.**
- Only water in drinking bottles, no fruit juice or squash.

### **Reading Books**

Children will start to bring home a school reading book after the first two weeks of term when teaching staff will assess children's reading levels

Books can be read from home or community libraries during this period of transition.

### **Uniform**

- Full school uniform is expected to be worn from September onwards.
- The usual rules on wearing school shoes starts from September.
- Depending on the weather, summer uniform can be worn until October half-term but not thereafter.
- The children should always have their jumper or cardigan with them.
- PE kit is worn to school for the whole day on days when classes have PE timetabled.

### **PE Timetable**

There will be no PE lessons in the first week of term, school uniform should be worn everyday throughout the first week back. You will be sent the PE timetable by the end of this week once confirmed.

### **Learning at Home**

No homework or reading books will be set for the first two weeks of the term. During the transitional period, children should focus on reading books from home.

### **First Aid and Medical**

All staff are paediatric first aid and anaphylaxis trained.

**Parents are responsible for ensuring that their child's medication is made available to school and is still in date.**

If a child becomes ill or has a more serious first aid need, including any head bumps, they will be accompanied to the medical room by an adult and attended to. If necessary, parents will be contacted as per the school policy. Please ensure that we have at least two contact numbers on file.

I hope that the new school year starts well for you all, we are ready and looking forward to welcoming you back for a wonderful year ahead!

*Sarah Selleck*

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S. Selleck  
Headteacher