The Chandler News

16th October 2026

Edition 3

As we come to the end of a very busy and successful half term, I would like to thank our children, staff and all those who support them at home for their continued enthusiasm and support.

This week, there has been a real buzz around school with the arrival of our Book Fair. The children have loved browsing the wide range of books, sharing recommendations with friends and talking excitedly about what they would like to read next. Thank you so much for your support. Every book purchased helps us earn free books for our school library, allowing us to continue fostering a love of reading across the school. We took £1,335.36, which is nearly our highest ever total, and means we get Scholastic credits worth £734.45 to help restock the library.

It was also wonderful to welcome so many of you to our Progress Evenings. These meetings provide a valuable opportunity to celebrate how well children have settled into their new year groups and to discuss their learning journey so far. I hope you found the conversations informative and helpful.

A huge thank you for your generosity in supporting our Harvest collection. Your donations were successfully delivered to the Godalming Minster Food Bank and will make a real difference to local families. During a special Harvest assembly, the children reflected on how the first Christians shared what they had with others. We explored the message, "They shared everything," and how those with plenty helped those in need. St Paul encouraged these early Christians to "be generous and willing to share" - a message that remains just as important today. Our school community certainly demonstrated this spirit through your kindness and generosity.

Thank you for helping to make this half term such a positive and successful one for our children. I wish our children and their families a wonderful and well-deserved half term break.

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FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

On Wednesday morning, Chandler proudly hosted a Year 6 boys' football tournament, welcoming eight schools for a fantastic morning of football. The atmosphere throughout the event was excellent, with all teams competing in a positive and sporting manner.



Our boys represented the school brilliantly, finishing 1st in their group and securing an impressive 3rd place overall. They demonstrated great teamwork, determination and sportsmanship throughout the tournament and should be extremely proud of their achievement.

A huge well done to all of the players for their efforts and for representing Chandler so well. We are already looking forward to our next football event after half term, when we will be hosting a Year 5 boys' football tournament.

INSET DAY

When we return, Monday 2nd November will be an Inset Day for staff. Colleagues from across the Godalming schools will be joining us for a day of professional learning focused on Philosophical Teaching and Learning. Children should return to school on Tuesday 3rd November.

FIREWORKS EVENING

Our annual community fireworks event will be upon us before we know it. This year it is on Thursday 5th November. Gates open at 6.00pm with a low bang display at 6.45pm and the main display at 7.30pm.

Tickets cost:
Adults in advance £6 Adults on the door £7
Children £4 Under two years free

Available online: Get tickets here or use the QR code

🙋 Can you lend a hand?
Events like this simply wouldn't be possible without the brilliant support of our school community. If you can spare a little time to help on the night, we'd be incredibly grateful. Please add your name to our helper rota here:
👉 volunteersignup.org/3XW77

PARENT TOURS

We are currently welcoming prospective families to school tours for parents of Year 2 children who will soon be choosing their junior school. Tour dates are filling quickly, so if you know anyone who may be interested in seeing our wonderful school, please encourage them to visit our website to book a place.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Save the Date: Friday 4th December

Our much-loved Christmas Fair will be returning soon. Further information about donations, stalls and volunteer opportunities will be shared after half term, but for now, please pop the date in your diary!

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Applications can now be made online at www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions. The closing date for applications is 31st October 2026 but we suggest that you ensure your application is submitted by Friday 16th October 2026 which is the last day of school before half term.

CONSIDERATE PARKING

A reminder that it is important that we do not block driveways or roads at drop off and pick up times please. Please respect our neighbours and, if possible, park further away and walk. Also, there is a 20mph speed limit in Roke Lane and Middlemarch and we ask that parents/carers be mindful of this to continue to ensure the safety of both our children and of residents in our local community. Thank you.

ALLERGY AWARENESS REMINDER

As an allergy-aware school, we kindly ask parents and carers not to send children to school with perfumes, body sprays, hand creams or other scented products, particularly those that may contain nut-based ingredients.

Recently, we had an incident involving a fragranced product that contained pistachio extract. Fortunately, no serious harm was caused, but it serves as an important reminder that some everyday products can pose a risk to children with allergies.

To help us maintain a safe environment for all pupils, please ensure that children do not bring perfumes, sprays, hand creams or similar personal care items into school unless there is a specific medical need and this has been discussed with the school.

We appreciate your support in helping to keep all members of our school community safe. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

DIARY DATES

Monday 19th October to Friday 30th October	**HALF TERM**
Monday 2nd November	INSET DAY— School closed to pupils
Tuesday 3rd November	Year 4 trip to Fishbourne Palace (more information to follow)
Thursday 5th November	Fireworks evening
Friday 6th November	6R Class assembly at 2.45pm - parents/carers welcome
Friday 13th November	Year 3 Stone Age assembly (more information to follow)
Friday 25th November	Year 5 Fire Safety workshop (more information to follow)
Friday 4th December	Christmas fair
Wednesday 9th December to Thursday 10th December	Year 4 production (more details to follow)
Friday 11th December	Christmas lunch (orders via The Pantry)
Friday 18th December	Term finishes at 1.15pm

WITLEY & MILFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Witley & Milford Parish Council
Council Offices, Milford Village Hall
Portsmouth Road, Milford,
Surrey GU8 5DS

Finance Administrator

Part-time 12 hours per week - Permanent

We are seeking to appoint a well organised, efficient team-player to join us as soon as possible to manage our day-to-day administration and provide practical financial support to the Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer.

The post is office based with hours worked across three mornings. We are located in Milford Village Hall and you will be working with a small friendly team.

In addition to financial administration you will be supporting the team to provide face-to-face support to the local community and undertaking some general administrative tasks as required by the Clerk.

If you want a rewarding job in a small team which fits around other commitments then do get in touch for more information about the role.

Pay on NALC Salary Scale from LC2 - SCP 18 (£32,578) (pro rata).
Starting Date: ASAP

If this interests you, please contact our clerk by email: clerk@witley-pc.gov.uk
or telephone 01483 422044 for an application form and
full job description.

Closing date for applications: 16th October
Interviews: Week commencing 19th October

Book: kesw.org/explore

King Edward's
WITLEY

EXPLORE YOUR PASSIONS



AFTER SCHOOL TASTER SESSIONS

MATHEMATICS
11+ YEAR 5&6
Thursday
5:30-6:15pm
5th November 2026

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY
11+ YEAR 5&6
Thursday
5:30-6:15pm
12th November 2026

ENGLISH
11+ YEAR 5&6
Thursday
5:30-6:15pm
19th November 2026

SPORT
11+ YEAR 5&6
Thursday
5:30-6:15pm
26th November 2026

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SPORT AT KING EDWARD'S



King Edward's offers intentionally inclusive and aspirational programmes in over 15 sports, with 100+ school teams benefitting from wide-ranging competitive and recreational opportunities.

Your Questions Answered



Join us on **26 November, from 5.30pm–6.15pm**, to meet Ben Edwards, Director of Sport and senior staff to discover more about sport at King Edward's. Hear about our award-winning provision, learn more about the opportunities available to pupils, and find out how sport contributes to School life

Whether your daughter or son is aspiring to follow in the footsteps of our recent Olympic gold medalist, international representatives and national champions or is aiming to simply play their favourite sports for fun and friendship - we look forward to meeting you!

RSVP

Please RSVP to **admissions@kesw.org** to help us plan our event, timed to coincide with our Year 5 and 6 sport teatime taster session.



www.kesw.org


Studio BAE
RAMSTER HALL
Ramster Garden
Fundraising
Sip & Paint
4-6PM SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER
PETWORTH RD, CHIDDINGFOLD, GU8 4SN
Join us for a cosy evening at the Ramster Garden Teahouse, painting autumnal foliage with acrylic on canvas. Led by twice-represented Portrait Artist of the Year semifinalist, Courtney Bae. All levels 8yrs+ are welcome. £33 class includes materials, a take-home sketchbook, a final canvas work, and a complimentary mulled wine or non-alcoholic drink. Mention Chandler and £4 of your ticket will be donated back to the school.
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SCHOOL MEALS DELIVERY DRIVER NEEDED

Regular Term-Time Work

A SMALL JOURNEY MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE

HEALTHY MEALS
BRIGHTER DAYS
HAPPIER LEARNERS



We are looking for a reliable, friendly self-employed driver to help deliver school meals for this school.

GOOD FOOD FUELS BRIGHT FUTURES

- Regular term-time work
- Competitive daily rate
- School holidays free
- Short daytime working hours
- Use of your own suitable vehicle

Routes operate during the school day and are typically around 30 minutes to 2 hours per day, depending on the requirements of the route.

The work is ideal for anyone looking for regular daytime work during school term time, including retired or semi-retired people, parents, or anyone with availability during the day.

Work that fits around you

TERM-TIME WORK REAL IMPACT



HEALTHY CHILDREN HAPPIER TOMORROWS



Interested?

Contact Sheridan Myers for further information:

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