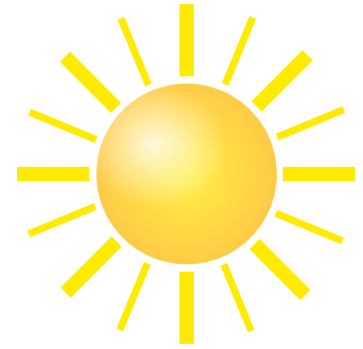




School Newsletter

Spring 2026

"To see the light in everyone"



Our values for the upcoming Summer Term are Responsibility & Courage

Rowan Class

Rowan Class have had a wonderfully busy and hands-on term so far. We have been testing joining techniques with lolly sticks to help design and build beach huts. The Reception children have been acting out *The Three Little Pigs* in their pig masks, creating stick puppets to bring fairytales to life, and exploring a fizzing "dinosaur egg" experiment using vinegar and bicarbonate of soda in Literacy.

The Year 1 children have been immersing themselves in drama as part of our *Song of the Sea* focus and have enjoyed creating story maps and building their own narratives.

We were also very excited and grateful to welcome a farmer and his tractor into school — the children loved looking under the bonnet and learning more about how it works. They have also enjoyed getting creative by making seagulls from paper plates as part of our sea-side learning.

It has been fantastic to see so much practical, real-world learning and to work with such engaged, curious and enthusiastic learners.

Best wishes,

Miss Ward



Ash Class

Children in Ash Class have been working hard in both maths and English. In maths we have covered a lot of ground. We have learnt how to interpret data using pictograms and bar charts, learnt methods for division and multiplication, learnt how to measure accurately and calculate perimeter. More recently we have been investigating the properties of 2d and 3d shapes and we are now embarking on a fractions unit.

In literacy we have enjoyed writing our own stories based on *The Marvelous Fluffy Squishy Itty Bitty* by Beatrice Alemagna and have recently finished writing our own information posters about the cheetah. We hope to arrange a visit next term to visit and learn more about these fascinating big cats. I am particularly impressed by the way in which the children's handwriting has improved since using our new handwriting scheme.

As part of the Big Spring Event, taking place at Bury St. Edmund's Cathedral on the 23rd March, we planned and carried out a fundraising event for Christian Aid. Children in KS2 made gifts from hamma beads and items, including bracelets and keyrings from loom bands. We also made and decorated our own biscuits and sold them together with the gifts after school to parents and friends.



We made a staggering £60!

Well done everyone!

Mrs Merry



Forest School

The start of the year was cold and wet so the years 5-6 spent their forest school sessions focusing on fire lighting and shelter building as well as exploring climbing and creating.

It has been a slightly warmer this half term and years 3-4 have been enjoying exploring the forest school area and looking at patterns in nature. We hope the weather will continue to improve and they can carry on with their creativity. Mrs Foster



Oak Class

Oak Class have enjoyed writing their own stories based upon the short Disney film "Feast". More recently we have been learning all about Mount Everest and the challenges that face climbers brave enough to attempt the climb to the top. We are writing our own information pages about the amazing animals that call Everest home. To finish the term, we are going to be making our own book titled "Things I love about....Spring". As the weather is improving we will take the opportunity to go outside and find signs of spring and use these to inspire our creative writing.

Oak Class along with Ash Class will be planting potatoes this Spring and we hope to grow a bumper crop that we can cook with later on in the summer. Pupils will take responsibility for planting them and looking after them during the school day. Keep a look out on our social media to see how well they grow this year, hopefully they'll be better than last year's which failed to grow!

This half term in geography, we have been looking at maps and how to read to them. We have also identified key landmarks across the globe.

In maths, we have been refining our written methods for multiplication and division as well as getting to grips with fractions. Pupils have also been learning times tables.

As you will see below, in our art lessons with year 3 we have learned all about botanical art and have created our own work using water colours. The children worked really hard on these and their work is proudly displayed in the corridor.

Wishing you all a lovely Easter break when it gets here, Mrs Reeve



School Council News

The school council have been busy helping to make the school a better place. Our Friendship and Compassion leaders have come up with an idea to help children acknowledge the good seen through children's actions in school, whereby they have designed some slips that children can write down the good deeds they have seen another child do during school. So far, we have had wonderful comments about children being kind to each other, including others in play, saying nice things to someone else and the sharing of equipment. Some of the comments are then read out during collective worship and help children to know that their good deeds don't go unnoticed.

Our road safety team have been helping to make sure the younger ones will get some balance-ability sessions during the summer term when the weather improves. Our PE staff Mr Renwick and Mr Hepburn will be getting the new balance and pedal bikes out to help improve the skills and confidence of the younger children in relation to cycling. It is hoped that all our children will be able to ride a bike confidently by the time they leave Year 6.

Our sports and well-being leader (Reece) has been busy helping to organise the team for the forthcoming netball event and he has had an input into some ideas for our forthcoming gardening project at the front of the school.

We are also pleased to welcome Theo to the team of School Council members this term.

The School Council



Mother's Day Messages



Mummy MacDonald, I love you cos I love you. Love Caleb

To Mummy, I love you, I like playing video games with you. Love Lincoln

Mummy. I love my mummy, she hugs me. Love Anouk

Mummy, I love you. Thank you for making us the tasty dinners. Thank you for making the chocolate cake for me. Love to mummy from Scarlett

Hannah. You make the best pizza and give good hugs. Mummy makes me good noodles. Love from Reuben

Mummy. Love you mummy. Love Henry and Hugo

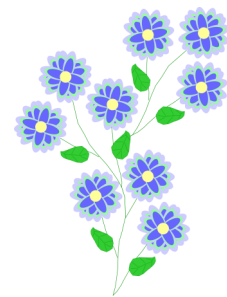
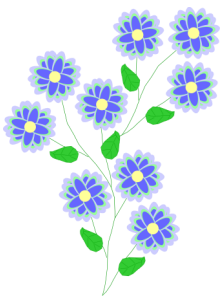
Kayleigh. Thank you for doing my Lego. You do the best cooking and hugging. Happy Mother's Day. Love Rex

To Mummy, You are always finding fun things for us to do. You are always kind to us. You cook the best macaroni cheese. Love you lots, Arthur

Mummy. Thank you for all the things you do for me. Love Tobias

Thank you Mummy for helping me when I need it. You cook the best cakes. Love from Ally

Mummy, Happy Mother's Day. From Mason



HAPPY 
MOTHER'S
Day! 

Mother's Day Messages

To Mum, Thank you for everything you do for me. I love you lots. Love from Poppy

To my Mum Sally, Thank you for everything you've done and for booking all the holidays this year and all the years before. Love from Theo

To Mum, Thanks for all the stuff you give me and the love you give. Love from Reece

To Mum, I love you. Love from Lyra

To Mum, I love you lots. Thank you for all the stuff you've done for me. Love from Tyler

To Mum, I hope you have a great Mother's Day. Love from Cooper

To Mum, Thank you for everything you do. You are the best mum in the world. Lots of love Isla

Dear Mummy, Happy Mother's Day. Thankyou for everything you do for me. Love from Olivia

To Mum, I love how you always treated me. I love how you do stuff for us and how you protect us. Love from Riley

To Mum, Thank you for looking after me. Love from Buster

To Mum, I love you so much and hope you have a really good Mother's Day. Love from Zach

To Mummy, Happy Mother's Day. Thank you for helping us get over Ivy being gone. I love you very much, from Sonny

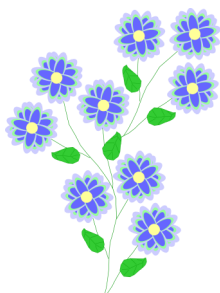
To Mummy, Thank you for taking care of me and looking after me when I'm sad. Love from Eliza

To Mum I love you so much. Love from Albie

To Mum, Thank you for looking after me and reading stories to me, and all the hugs you give me. I would never want another mum. Love from Millie

Dear Mum, I love you and thank you for everything you do for me and my sister. Love from Lola & Ella

To Mum, Thank you for all the things you've done for me and caring for me. Love from Phoebe



The Friends of Charsfield School PTA (FoCS)

The PTA are currently busy planning ahead for Sports Day, as well as running Friday playground tuckshops after school.

New members are always welcome to ensure that we are able to continue our fundraising work for the children, and would encourage anyone interested to speak to our Chair Lizi Reynolds. The date of our next AGM is on 27th April at 15:45—everyone welcome!



Church

Coffee Mornings are held in the church every Friday from 9am, open to all parents and carers. Please do come along!

Sad Goodbye to Miss Ward

It is with much sadness that we will be saying goodbye to Miss Ward at the end of this term.

Since joining the Charsfield family in 2023, Miss Ward has become an invaluable member of the team, bringing fun, enthusiasm, dedication, warmth and kindness to both her Rowan class pupils and wider school community.

We will all miss her terribly, but wish her the very best in her future teaching career and hope she will stay in touch!



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Good Luck 

Social Media

Please follow us on our social media pages and share posts if you can. It really helps us get our wonderful school out there! We have Instagram, Facebook and YouTube accounts.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNPXZPzUJb11iSk9ZQGoA>

<https://www.facebook.com/charsfieldprimaryschool>

<https://www.instagram.com/charsfieldcofeprimaryschool/>



Dates For Your Diary

March-

- 17th Bee Netball (KS2, team arranged)
- 18th Ash class share morning
- 23rd Big Sing (KS2 trip to Bury St Edmunds Cathedral)
- 26th Easter service in church and Wilder Schools day
- 27th Last day of term



April-

- 14th Children return to school
- 23rd Wilder Schools
- 29th Rowan class share morning
- 30th Church service 9am

May-

- 11th to 15th SATS week (Yr 6)
- 18th to 20th Hilltop trip (yrs 5 & 6)
- 19th KS2 Trip TBA (For those not at Hilltop)
- 21st Collective Worship in school

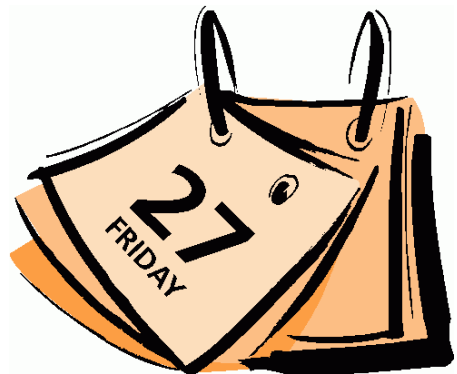


June-

- 4th Rowan share morning
- 5th Bikeability (Yr 6)
- 11th Church service 9am & REVISED DATE FOR OAK SHARE MORNING DUE TO TRIP
- 15th Thomas Mills Enrichment Day Yrs 5 & 6
- 23rd Ash class share morning
- 26th Sports Day

July-

- 3rd Reserve Sports Day
- 7th & 8th KS2 Play evenings
- 13th Yr 6 leavers trip TBA
- 16th Leavers service
- 17th Last day of term



* Please note that all dates are correct to the best of our knowledge at time of publication *

New Road Signs

Some of you may recall a competition last year, whereby the children were all invited to create designs for some new road safety signage to be installed near the school. These signs have now been installed on the approaches to the school.

Unfortunately, the pupils that created the winning designs are no longer at the school but hopefully you'll agree that their designs make a great addition to the signage in the village!



Final Word From Mr Taylor

Dear Parents,

I wanted to thank you all for your help and support during our recent changes.

As I have previously shared, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Ward after the Easter break, and hello to Mrs Leicester (Rowan class teacher) and Mrs Frances (HLTA).

This means we will be fully staffed and raring to go for the start of the Summer term.

I have spoken with a number of parents from the school recently, and I thank them for their feedback.

I really enjoy working with, and meeting parents, and I am on site most Monday's as well as other days during the week.

Therefore, if you would like to catch up with me regarding any matter, please feel free to do so.

I will always endeavour to listen and give an honest and caring response to any concerns you may have. I can be contacted via the main office and will always attempt to respond quickly to your messages.

Additionally, please do feel free to speak to your child's class teacher. We all really do want the best for your children and working in partnership is always the best way to achieve this.

Best wishes, Mr Taylor