



17th July 2026

Dear Parents,

As the end of another successful academic year draws to a close, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the progress, achievements and memorable experiences we have shared together. Looking back over the year, it is amazing to see just how much has been accomplished. Our pupils have embraced challenges, developed new skills and demonstrated resilience, enthusiasm and determination in all aspects of school life. From academic successes to sporting achievements, creative performances and community events, there has been much to celebrate. I am incredibly proud of everything our children have achieved.

This success has only been possible through the hard work of our whole school community. I am extremely grateful to you, the parents, for your support of both your children and the school throughout this year. Working in partnership strengthens the opportunities we can provide for our pupils and truly helps them to reach their full potential.

My heartfelt thanks goes to our staff team, whose dedication and commitment are invaluable. They provide exciting learning opportunities that engage and inspire our children and their care and nurturing support can be felt throughout the entire school. Their unwavering commitment plays a vital role in creating the positive, inclusive environment that enables every child to thrive.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to our Governing Board for their unwavering support, dedication and commitment to our school community. Governors generously give their time, expertise and encouragement to help ensure that every decision we make is in the best interests of our pupils. Their challenge, guidance and strategic oversight have been invaluable as we continue to strive for excellence in all that we do. On behalf of the staff, pupils and wider school community, thank you for your continued partnership and for all that you do to support our school.

Finally, we would like to say a huge thank you to all of our wonderful children for making this year so special. Every day, they have shown what it means to live by our Words of Power, demonstrating kindness, respect, resilience, courage and positivity in everything they do. They have truly shone their lights brightly, inspiring those around them with their enthusiasm, achievements and care for others. We are incredibly proud of all that they have accomplished and the way they have supported one another throughout the year. A thank you to them for bringing so much joy to our school community.

Today, we also mark the end of a chapter for our Year 6 pupils and some valued members of staff. We would like to wish all of our Year 6 children the very best of luck as they move on to the next stage of their educational journey. They leave us with many wonderful memories, and we are confident they will embrace the exciting opportunities and challenges ahead.

This year we say a special farewell to Mrs Chapman, who retires after more than 20 years of service to the school. We are incredibly grateful for her commitment and care over the years and wish her a long, relaxing and restful retirement. We also wish Mrs Cunningham every success as she embarks on an exciting new challenge at Wardour. She has been a part of the Chilmark team for the last 3 years and we thank her for all she has done for both the children and the school. Finally, we say farewell to Mrs Ellerby who has been with us since January, we thank her for her work in Sycamore. It is always difficult to say goodbye, we thank them all for the positive impact they have made on the lives of our pupils and families.

With endings come new beginnings, and we are already looking forward to welcoming our new Reception children and their families in September as they begin their journey with us. We are also delighted to welcome Mr Martin to our teaching staff and look forward to the skills, enthusiasm and experience he will bring to our school community.

We wish everyone a happy, restful summer and look forward to another exciting year ahead.

Mrs Hale

Photos of the week





CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



Awards

Year 6

History – Diana Forbes award – Daniel

Sports – Williamson Shield – Skye

The arts cup – Piper

Samuel Gattral – All rounder – Lola- Rose

Attitude to learning/ Growth Mindset – Leo

Emotional evolution – Joanna Chapman - Oscar

Head Teachers Awards

Alex B

Teddy R

Max N

Rowan

Harper

Daisy

Key Dates



Tuesday 1st September - INSET day

Wednesday 2nd September – Back to School

Half Term – 26th - 30th October

Friday 18th December – Break up for Christmas Holidays

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Monday 4th January – INSET day

Tuesday 5th January – Back to School

Half Term – 15th – 19th February

Thursday 25th March – Break up for Easter holidays

Monday 12th April – Back to School

Half Term – 31st May – 4th June

Friday 16th July – Break up for summer holidays (INSET days – 19th, 20th & 21st July)

SAFEGUARDING - We take the safeguarding of our children very seriously. The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Hale and the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead is Miss Murphy. Our safeguarding governor is Caroline Marking. If you have any concerns about a child, please speak directly to either Mrs Hale or Miss Murphy email – safeguarding@chilmarkfonthillbishop.wilts.sch.uk . Or you can ring MASH on 0300 456 010



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The Daily Telegraph

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THURSDAY 23 JULY 2026



ALL PROCEEDS
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TIME
3:00pm - 4:30pm
(Arrival from 2:30pm)

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