

Welcome to our school

At Chilton Community Primary School we believe that all children have the right to feel safe, be treated equally and develop to the best of their ability.

Chilton Primary School is part of Children's Endeavour Trust. The trust comprises eight schools in Stowmarket and Ipswich. The trust works together to improve standards and effectiveness of teaching and learning for all pupils.

We provide an environment in which children are safe and cared for. Each child is challenged according to their age and ability and their achievements are recognised and encouraged.

We endeavour to enable them each to achieve their potential. We aim to enable them to develop self-confidence and independence, recognising that each and every one has a part to play as a responsible member of our learning community.

The curriculum we provide is broad and balanced with emphasis upon the development of social and emotional skills which provide secure foundations for academic, creative and physical development. Education takes place both in the classroom and outside, and through a range of learning styles.

Within our community we welcome the parents of our pupils acknowledging the vital role they play in the education of their children. An active partnership and effective collaboration between home and school ensures our children are provided with an effective start to their school life.

If you require any further information regarding our school please contact us and we will be only too pleased to help. I look forward to offering a warm welcome to you and your children.



Laura Carr Headteacher

Our Governing Body

Chilton Community Primary School is a locally managed school and has a hard working and dedicated Governing Body. They are all key stakeholders who come from all walks of life and include parents, staff and community members. Each Governor is appointed for a four year term and during this time they attend regular training to enhance their knowledge.

Responsibilities of the Governing Body include financial and staffing management. Working together with the Headteacher and Senior Leadership team, they ensure pupils receive a good education by setting the strategic direction of the school.

Public copies of Governing Body minutes are available to all. If you require further information please contact the Chair of Governors through the school office.

If you are interested in becoming a Governor, please contact Mrs Carr, Headteacher.

Admissions

To apply for a place at our school please download an In Year Admissions Form from the "Admission Arrangements" tab on our website. Please return the completed form to the school office. If you are applying for a Reception place this should be made online at <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-places/>

Full Time School

Full time school begins in the Reception class and children remain at Chilton until they leave at the end of year 6.

Reception	Early Years
Years 1 and 2	Key Stage 1
Years 3 to 6	Key Stage 2

Our classrooms are light and airy, each having their own SMART board. As well as our large classrooms, we have a number of areas which are able to be used for intervention with smaller groups of children. We use the Accelerated Reader scheme and our well stocked library is continually updated with reading books for all ages and abilities. In addition children are able to use tablets and laptops in the 'Learning hub' or alternatively back in their classrooms. We have extensive outdoor areas that are used for both learning and play, including two large fields, football pitch, cricket strip, tennis courts, playgrounds with play equipment, sensory garden, pond, allotment area and a dedicated den building area. Pupils also have the opportunity to attend swimming lessons at the local swimming pool.

The majority of children from Chilton transfer to Stowmarket High School or Stowupland High School at the end of Year 6. We are actively involved in regular liaison with both these schools and during the spring term prior to transfer, parents are invited to meet with some of their staff. In addition, to ease the process, Year 6 children are regularly invited to attend events at both schools to familiarise themselves with their new school.

"Respect, Believe, Achieve"

The school values **respect**, **believe** and **achieve** are woven through everything that we do.

Vision

As a small school, we pride ourselves on getting to know every child and their family so we can ensure we meet every child's needs to support them to **achieve** their full potential. Our curriculum is designed to give all pupils a wealth of opportunities to be successful, whether through the arts, sport or more traditional subject areas. We **believe** that all children deserve the best education possible and deserve to **achieve** academically as well as developing social skills. Pupils attending Chilton Community Primary School will be given the tools to be successful learners in secondary school and to develop into happy, successful and responsible adults who **respect** others.

Aims

To promote strong, **respectful** social connections and pride for the local area.

To instil within children and staff high expectations and a **belief** around children's outcomes and behaviour, regardless of their background.

To ensure the school does all it can to provide the best possible conditions to allow children to **achieve** success.

To provide an environment where children feel safe, happy and secure.

To provide experiences which broaden children's horizons.

To prepare pupils for the next stage of their education and adult life.

To work in partnership with parents/carers, governors and other professionals with **respect**.

To develop in each child confidence and a positive self-image.

Policies

Policies are available to view on our website. On enrolment, you will be given Home School and Acceptable Use of IT agreements for you and your child to sign.

Breakfast Club

We offer a breakfast club which begins at 8am daily. As well as breakfast, children will be able to participate in educational games and activities. The cost is currently subsidised at £2.50 per child per day, or free for children in receipt of Free School Meals. Please book and pay for your child's space through Arbor.

Morning Session

8.40 - 12.00

Afternoon

1.00 - 3.10

Children can arrive to the playground from 8.30am. Car parking is for staff only. Please do not use the car park.

Doors open at 8:35 for 5 minutes. Children go straight to their classroom. A member of staff will be present in the playground at both KS1 and KS2 entrances to take any messages. Children arriving to school after 08:40 will need to be signed in at the school office. For the safety of all children, if you need to come into school, please report to the school office. Do not go directly to the classroom or enter the school building.

Break Time

Children in Reception to Year 2 are given a piece of fruit every day through the Government free fruit scheme. Children in years 3 to 6 are encouraged to bring a piece of fruit or vegetables for their morning snack.

Lunch Time

A well-balanced two-course lunch is cooked and served on the premises offering a good choice for children at a reasonable cost. A menu is available online at http://www.chilton.suffolk.sch.uk/web/school_meals/284653. Please note lunches must be paid for in advance. All children in Reception, year 1 and 2 are entitled to a Universal Free School Meal. If you think you may be eligible for free school meals please apply online at <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-meals-uniforms-and-trips/apply-for-free-school-meals/>. Facilities are provided to allow children to eat a packed lunch. Food bought for lunch should be packed in a box and clearly labelled with your child's name. Drinks should be brought in unbreakable containers. We do not allow nuts, fizzy drinks or sweets including chocolate bars in packed lunches. We recommend children drink water with their lunch.

As we do have children in our school with a peanut allergy which can be triggered by even a small exposure to nuts we ask that you do not include nuts or nut products in your child's snacks or packed lunches.

Children are encouraged to bring a water bottle and drink from it throughout the day.

After School Club

Our After School Club is available Monday to Friday until 5:00pm. The club offers a variety of activities and games and a space to do homework or read. Fruit and water are available and children are welcome to bring their own suitable snack. A daily charge will be made depending on the time attended. Pupils can stay regularly or opt for occasional sessions as long as these are booked and paid for in advance.

Payments for breakfast and afterschool clubs, meals, clubs and trips must be made in advance and should be made via our online payments system, Arbor.

Curriculum Activities

As well as the planned curriculum, we engage in a range of activities and our extensive grounds allows us to be able to teach both inside and outside the classroom. We arrange regular visits from selected educational groups and individuals for specific topics and take pupils to many places of interest.

All children have PE lessons as part of their curriculum. The basis of good sportsmanship is encouraged. Physical skills are taught while team activities, co-operation and handling success and failure are all part of the PE programme.



We strongly believe that the attitude and actions of parents and other family members can make a significant difference to a child's progress at school. We encourage parents to establish a regular routine of following up at home what the child has done in school. In particular sharing a book together and listening to your child read are very important and we hope are things you will enjoy. From the earliest years talking with your child and playing games will help to give confidence and understanding.



All children need to learn and practise both times tables and phonics and support given at the right time, is invaluable. We want children to do well at school and evidence strongly suggests that those who are helped at home make the most progress at school.

A copy of the Home-School Agreement will be issued before your child starts school.

Extra Curricular Activities

There are a range of clubs that run during the year and children can sign up for these to develop their skills and interests. We encourage children to take part in sporting activities outside school and recognise success in these. We hold a sports day for all children in the summer term and all children participate equally.



Meeting All Needs

The school makes extensive provision for children with special needs. We aim to provide all children with differentiated learning opportunities to meet their needs. We want all pupils to feel that they are an important part of the school.

Where a child has special needs, the school will work closely with parents and the professionals involved with the child. Where appropriate we seek advice from the Local Education Authority.

We ensure children that are identified with special needs are supported by Teaching Assistants and are provided with the appropriate teaching resources.

Although the school does have some classrooms upstairs, it provides easy access for children or adults who use a wheelchair or mobility equipment. We also have a toilet which is designed especially to cater for those with disabilities.

The progress of children with special needs is monitored by our Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCo).



SEN Support

Where a child's needs are more complex, the school will request the Local Authority to carry out a formal assessment to determine the exact needs of the child. An Educational Healthcare Plan may be issued and if considered necessary, one to one support may be provided.

A Healthy School

As previously mentioned we offer a well-balanced, two course school lunch for £2.43 or you may provide a packed lunch. Below is a checklist for providing a healthier lunchbox:-

Checklist

Healthier lunchboxes include something from each main **food group**:

At least 1 portion of **starchy food** eg:-

Granary bap, wholemeal bread, pitta pocket, pasta or rice salad, scone, breadsticks, fruit bread or currant bun.

Plenty of **fruit and vegetables** eg:-

apple, satsuma, banana, bunch of grapes, handful of cherry tomatoes
carrot sticks, mini can of fruit chunks or small box of raisins.

A portion of **milk or dairy food** eg:-

small container of cottage cheese, cheese portion, pot of yogurt,
small carton of milk.

A portion of **lean meat, fish or alternative**,

ham, tuna, hummus, chicken drumstick, hard boiled egg.

A **drink** eg :-

bottle of water or milk.

Please do not include nuts or nut products in your child's snacks or packed lunches.

We have a dedicated area for cycles and scooters and encourage parents and pupils to walk or cycle to school.

Sport

In addition to curriculum PE, there are clubs offering sports and a variety of other activities throughout the year. Children in KS2 have the opportunity to swim and during the summer term we hold sports day. There is also the chance to participate in competitions against other local schools throughout the year.



Opportunities for Pupils

School Council

Two children from each class are elected to the School Council every September and serve for one academic year. The School Council meets to discuss ideas for improving the school and any issues brought to them by other children.

Music and Drama

Each year children in Reception and years 1 and 2 perform the Nativity play. Years 3 to 6 also perform throughout the year. Pupils in Year 5 have the opportunity to learn to play the clarinet with a dedicated lesson every week from a County Music professional. For individual, private lessons please see the virtual office tab on our website.

Clubs, Visitors & Visits

We offer a variety of after school clubs from sport to art. These are run by school staff and change termly.

We enrich children's learning by inviting visitors into school including theatre groups, musicians, wildlife experts etc and offering a variety of local trips. We also offer a residential visit to our year 6 pupils.



The Chilton Uniform

The Chilton School Uniform is smart, practical and good value for money. Uniform can be purchased online from myclothing.com. A link is available on our website. Children need to wear their PE kit to school on PE days. PE days for each class are published on our website.

The main uniform is;

- Plain grey skirt, pinafore, trousers or shorts
- White polo shirt
- Navy/Chilton logo sweatshirt/cardigan
- Black/grey/white socks or navy/grey tights
- In summer, a blue gingham dress/skirt or shorts may be worn.
- Plain black sensible flat shoes—these may be black trainers with black soles. Designer labels are discouraged.

In addition children should have a coat that is appropriate for the weather

No jewellery other than a small, plain stud in pierced ears. These must be removed for PE. Long hair must be tied back.

PE

Children should come to school in their PE kit on PE days. PE days for each class are published on our website. Black shorts, white t shirt, plimsolls and/or black trainers with black soles are required for PE. A plain navy/black or school sweatshirt (no hoodies) & black tracksuit trousers/leggings may be worn in cooler weather. Earrings must be removed.

Swimming

For swimming girls must wear a one piece costume and the boys wear trunks. These should be fitted and not Bermuda style. All children must wear a named swimming hat and they must bring a towel. No items of jewellery, Alice bands or slides can be worn during the swimming lessons.

Please name all clothing in bold writing as we regularly have a 'lost property' box full of unnamed items. It is your child's responsibility to look after their own clothing and property.

The Friends of Chilton

Once your child has enrolled you will automatically become members of The Friends of Chilton. The Friends work together to raise money for our school. The money raised goes towards resources and activities to support your child's learning.

Some of the fundraising events over the year include school discos, Easter Egg hunt, Chocolate Bingo and Christmas fair. The Friends meet regularly to discuss fundraising ideas and to decide where the money would be best spent. You are always welcome to join us. If you would like to know when the next meeting is or would just like further information, please contact us via the school office.

Keeping In Touch

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Any queries or concerns should be directed to the Headteacher, Mrs Laura Carr