

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now rapidly approaching the end of another busy term. Between now and the end of term, we are hosting our first Winter Showcase alongside and this week, many students attended our annual trip to the Marlowe Theatre. I would like to thank all families for your support throughout the start of this academic year so far. Our school has seen a considerable amount of change with the new building opening just three months' ago; our students should be particularly proud of themselves for how successfully they have settled into life in our permanent home. Furthermore, a huge thank you for your support with our charity events. This term, we have raised around £900 for good causes. This newsletter will share some information and several reminders in preparation for the end of this term and the start of 2026.

Winter illness and Advice to Parents/Carers:

We understand it can sometimes be difficult to decide whether your child is well enough to attend school. To help, please follow the guidance below:

If you keep your child at home:

- Contact the school on the first day, and every day of absence and let us know the reason. If you do visit a GP or Pharmacy, please keep evidence of your visit or medications prescribed to help us authorise your absence accordingly.

When to Keep Your Child Off School

- **High Temperature:** If your child has a temperature of 38°C or above, keep them at home until it returns to normal.
- **Vomiting or Diarrhoea:** Keep your child off school until they have been free from sickness or diarrhoea for 24 hours.
- **Sore Throat:** If your child has a sore throat, they should be well enough to attend school. The exception to this is if your child has a sore throat *and* a high temperature, they should stay at home until the temperature goes away.
- **Coughs and Colds:** Mild symptoms such as a runny nose or sore throat are fine if your child feels generally well and does not have a high temperature.
- **Feeling Anxious or Worried:** Avoiding school can make anxiety worse. Please talk to us if your child is struggling—we can work together to support them. If concerns persist, contact your GP.

Thank you for helping us keep our school community healthy and supporting your child's wellbeing. If you have any questions, please contact Attendance@chilmingtongreenschool.org.uk

Parent Teacher Association - PTA

We are looking to set up a Parent Teacher Association (PTA) — and we would love for you to be part of it. A PTA is a fantastic way to bring parents, carers, and staff together to support our children's learning and school experience. From organising fun events to raising funds for extra resources, a PTA can make a real difference to our school community.

If you are interested in being involved in our founding PTA, please email info@chilmingtongreenschool.org.uk. We will be in contact with those interested in joining to arrange an initial meeting in the new year.

Mid-Year Assessments

On our return in January, all students will be sitting mid-year assessments in the majority of their subjects. These are a great opportunity to demonstrate students' learning and understanding of the curriculum. You will find the revision resources by clicking on the link [Supporting My Child's Progress | Parents | Chilmington Green](#)

CCF and DoE Update

Unfortunately, we have had to postpone our CCF/DoE programme currently. Miss Sanchez will be in touch with all registered families with updates to start the programme again in Term 3. Should you wish to collect your child and take them to CCF on a Monday afternoon at Ashford School, you are very welcome to do so, and they can be collected at 15:00pm. Thank you for your patience and understanding at this time.

Bushcraft Residential Trip – Monday 6th –Wednesday 8th July, Penshurst Place

We have two spaces available for our KS3 annual trip to Bushcraft. This is a three day, two nights residential in the beautiful Penshurst Woods with fully qualified staff to lead adventures in the wilderness including wild lake swimming, campfires and cooking, shelter building, SOS survival skills and wilderness first aid as well as lots of toasting marshmallows, hot chocolates and food around the fire pit! This trip is fully inclusive of all food and drinks.

If you require more details, please visit reception for a trip letter or email trips@chilmingtongreenschool.org.uk

Year 7 District Netball Tournament 2025 – 4th Place

Towers: 2-1 win
Wye: 2-1 win
North: 3-0 loss
TJWA: 1-0 loss
Homewood: 4-0 win
FA: 2-0 win
FSG: 2-0 loss

Well done to all the girls who represented Chilmington Green on Tuesday 25th November, despite the freezing cold conditions, your teamwork was outstanding and clearly reflected in the results. Player of the tournament went to Dilyara for some excellent defensive interceptions!



Year 7 District Team



Year 8 vs TJWA



Year 9 vs TJWA

Year 8 & 9 Netball Action

Our Year 8 team have also had a phenomenal week on the courts winning 11-0 against The North School and 14-4 against The John Wallis Academy. Players of the matches went to Amelia C and Ava M. Well Done!

Our Year 9 team have not let us down in their last five appearances, most recently winning 7-1 against The John Wallis Academy. Player of the match went to Tia J. Well Done!

Christmas Lunch - Wednesday 17th December

We will be serving turkey with all the trimmings (veggie/vegan options also available) plus festive puddings on the last Wednesday of term. Please note this is charged at the slightly higher rate of £3.10 so we kindly ask you to ensure there are sufficient funds on your child's iPay account. If your child does not wish to have Christmas Lunch, please provide them with a packed lunch as the canteen will not be offering the usual grab'n'go options that day.

Winter Showcase – Year 7 – Thursday 11th December

We are thrilled to invite you to our Winter Music Showcase, where our Year 7 students and the Chilmington Green School Band students will be performing a selection of musical pieces they've been working on this term.

Date: Thursday, 11th December

Time: 14:10 – 15:10

Location: Chilmington Green School (Main Hall)

This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the musical achievements of our students and enjoy an afternoon of celebration. Please note that due to the capacity of the school hall, attendance is limited to two adults per child. If your child is in Year 7 or part of the school band and you wish to attend, please complete the following form: [Winter Showcase – Fill in form](#).

Christmas Jumper Day – Thursday 11th December 2025

Students can swap their school uniform top half for a festive Christmas Jumper to support Save the Children. Please bring £1 cash to hand in to tutor at 08.35am. Thank you for your support in advance.

Key Dates

Date	Event
Thursday 11 th December 2025	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children £1) Winter Showcase No extra-curricular activities on this date. Clubs resume on Tuesday 6 th January.
Friday 19 th December 2025	End of Term 2 – Students finish at 12.15.

Kind regards

Jon Rutland
Principal