



Headteacher writes:

“I got you to look after me, and you got me to look after you, and that’s why.”
John Steinbeck - Of Mice and Men

Supporting Pupils with Care: A Trauma-Informed Approach

As part of our ongoing commitment to pupil wellbeing, we are continuing to develop trauma-informed practices across Chester Park. A trauma-informed approach does **not** mean lowering expectations or excusing poor behaviour. Instead, it means understanding that some behaviours may be rooted in difficult life experiences—and responding with empathy, consistency, and support. We have been using these approaches for some time and as a result, we have moved from a behaviour policy to a relationship policy.

This work links to our focus on Belonging and to Chester Park rules; We are Safe & We are Respectful. The key aims of this work are to;

Create safe and predictable environments where all children can learn and thrive.

Support emotional regulation and resilience, to help pupils manage stress and build confidence.

Strengthen relationships between pupils and trusted adults, these are key to recovery and growth.

Ensure fairness and high standards, whilst recognising that some children may need different kinds of support to meet them.

We believe every child deserves to feel safe, valued, and understood. By adopting trauma-informed practices, we are not only helping those who have experienced adversity—we are building a more compassionate and inclusive school for everyone.

Yours in partnership,
Mike, Headteacher

Arbor

Chester Park uses Arbor for payments, booking breakfast club and booking appointments for Share our Learning events. If you have not signed up yet, please use this link to set up an account.

<https://login.arbor.sc/>

If you have not logged in before, click on forgot your password and enter your email address that is registered with the school. Once you have set up your account, your login will be your email and password.

If you need any help, please speak to the school offices. Thank you.



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Share our Learning Evenings

We will be holding our Share Our Learning evenings on **Tuesday 14th and Thursday 16th October from 3.30pm at the Infant school and 3.40pm at the Junior school.** This is a 10 minute appointment for you to speak with your child’s class teacher and to look at the work they have completed so far this year. Booking will open at 9am on 29th September, bookings will need to be made through the Arbor app. Thank you

Positive, Resilient, Meaningful

Harvest

As part of our Harvest Festival celebrations, we kindly asked for donations of tinned or packets of food. All contributions collected were donated to The Julian Trust, a local charity that supports people experiencing homelessness. We were overwhelmed once again by our school community's kindness and generosity. Harvest Festival is a time to reflect on the abundance of food we enjoy and to share with those in need. Our celebration aligns with our Federation value of Belonging, focusing on community, gratitude, and generosity. Thank you for your continued support!



Junior School Joins Atlas Place Community Planning Project

This week, members of the Junior School Council had the exciting opportunity to meet with the Fishponds Community Planning Group, who are working closely with the developers of Atlas Place. On Tuesday, the council took part in a walking tour of the local sites involved in the development, taking time to reflect on the potential impact the project will have on our community.

During the tour, the children met with one of the developers, who explained how rubble from the former factory site will be repurposed to build roads around the new properties — a fascinating insight into sustainable construction! They also enjoyed seeing some of the beautiful artwork created by the Infant School, which is now proudly displayed on the boundary walls of the site.

This is just the beginning of our involvement. Over the coming weeks, Loria and Kath from the Fishponds Community Planning Group will be visiting Years 5 and 6 to share more about the project, highlight how important young voices are in shaping the future of our neighbourhood, and to collect pupils' ideas through a survey.

We're proud to be part of this community-focused development and look forward to seeing how the children's input will help shape Atlas Place.



Junior Breakfast Club Sessions

Please can we remind Junior parent/carers that you must book your child in on the Arbor app for the free community breakfast club which is run at the Junior School. The community breakfast club starts at 8.25am which is free or the paid extended breakfast club starts at 7.40am and costs £2 per morning. Please try to give a weeks notice when booking your child for any breakfast club to allow us to have the correct staffing ratios and food ordering in place.



The school nursing team will be in school on **Friday 14th November** to administer the nasal flu immunisation programme. Please use the QR code below to consent to your child having the immunisation. Thank you.

School Flu Consent Form 2025/26



Scan the QR code above to give consent for the Autumn/ Winter 2025 school Flu programme

- For children in Reception – Year 11 in September 2025 (all children in SEND schools)
- Any questions Please contact sirona.school@nhs.net or 0300 1245515

OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS

The Outdoors Project
OFSTED REGISTERED

AVANTI GARDENS SCHOOL - WEEK 1
College Rd, Bristol BS16 2JP

Mon 20th Oct: BUSHCRAFT ADVENTURE: SURVIVAL SKILLS & CAMPFIRE TREATS

Thu 23rd Oct: ULTIMATE HALLOWEEN ADVENTURE: TRICKS, TREATS & CAMPFIRE FUN!

AVANTI GARDENS SCHOOL - WEEK 2
College Rd, Bristol BS16 2JP

Mon 27th Oct: WAY OF THE VIKING: VIKING CRAFT, GAMES & CHALLENGES!

Tue 28th Oct: NERF: NERF MISSION SPOOKTACULAR

Wed 29th Oct: WIZARDS OF THE WILD: A HARRY POTTER ADVENTURE

Thu 30th Oct: ULTIMATE HALLOWEEN ADVENTURE: TRICKS, TREATS & CAMPFIRE FUN!

Fri 31st Oct: BUSHCRAFT ADVENTURE: SURVIVAL SKILLS & CAMPFIRE TREATS

NERF: MISSION SPOOKTACULAR
Are you ready? Forage for resources, defend your vault, rescue teammates, & take on the ultimate Nerf survival adventure with epic games like Swamp Rescue, Zombie Apocalypse & Hunger Games! An action-packed outdoor day full of action, fun, strategy & teamwork - with a spooky twist! (Age 6+ recommended)

ULTIMATE HALLOWEEN ADVENTURE: TRICKS, TREATS & CAMPFIRE FUN!
Get ready for the spookiest, silliest & slimeiest day of the holidays! Make gooey slime, decorate Day of the Dead sugar skulls, brew Mayan hot chocolate over the campfire & join a zombie scavenger hunt. All topped off by a visit to the Witch, Goblin, & Bog Troll to solve riddles, crack the Halloween mystery... & earn sweet rewards. A mix of hands-on fun, laughter & imagination!

WIZARDS OF THE WILD: A HARRY POTTER ADVENTURE
Bringing the magic of Harry Potter to life! Join this adventure where imagination runs wild. Brew bubbling potions in Potions Class, whittle & enchant your very own wand & join the Quidditch tournament for the house cup. A spellbinding day of fun, creativity, & adventure

WAY OF THE VIKING: VIKING CRAFT, GAMES & CHALLENGES
Live the Viking way for a day! Join your clan, take a Viking name, create your own Viking pottery, learn how to build an effective shield wall, & then switch from craftsman to warrior as you rise to the challenge with ancient Viking games Kubb & Jomswilker!

BUSHCRAFT ADVENTURE: SURVIVAL SKILLS & CAMPFIRE TREATS
A bushcraft adventure all about fire - how to make it, cook on it & respect its wild power. Discover ancient fire making techniques, learn how to spark & build your own campfire, cook up tasty seasonal treats, build a shelter & take on survival challenges just like wilderness explorers. A full day of hands-on bushcraft, outdoor skills & discovery - perfect for curious kids who love nature & adventure!

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Weekly Celebrations

	Dojo Hero 	Pot of Gold 		Dojo Hero 	Gold Card 
Class	Infant School		Class	Junior School	
Badger	Maria	Isaac, Kingston	Pine	Elsie	Hashim, Luna
Rabbit	Kron		Willow	Jude	Mila, Arthur
Squirrel	Vinnie		Cedar	Anaya	Adam, Reveal, Adante
Bumblebee	Luca		Hazel	Ayse	Hester, Laas
Hedgehog	Justin		Chestnut	Zahara	Abdullah, Evan
Otter	Kensa		Hawthorn	Phoebe	Oluwaseun, Luisa
Owl	Abdullah		Sycamore	Anna	Daoud, Ted
Fox	Oliver	Dylan, Flo	Maple	Dougie	Lottie, Milo
Ducklings			Ash	Connor	Yaseen, Cora
			Whitebeam	Crystal	Corey, Safa
			Hornbeam	Zayaan	Harry, Jackson, Onika
Congratulations to this weeks winners!			Oak	Shayla	Jayden, Naomi

Class	Weekly Attendance	Class	Weekly Attendance
Badger	96.0%	Pine	96.5%
Rabbit	91.6%	Willow	98.3%
Squirrel	94.7%	Cedar	95.2%
Bumblebee	99.3%	Hazel	94.3%
Hedgehog	91.8%	Chestnut	94.0%
Otter	94.0%	Hawthorn	98.0%
Owl	94.4%	Sycamore	98.4%
Fox	99.0%	Maple	90.0%
		Ash	93.3%
		Whitebeam	95.9%
		Hornbeam	95.9%



Friends of Chester Park Schools Annual General Meeting

Monday 13th October 2025

3.30pm held at the Junior School



The FOCPS will be holding their AGM to elect this year's committee and to discuss upcoming events and planning for this school year.

All parent/carers from the Infant and Junior schools are welcome to attend the AGM. We look forward to meeting new members and to sharing ideas for events.

We hope you can join us!

Dates for your Diary

Friday 3rd October—Inset Day—School Closed to all pupils
Monday 6th October—Inset Day—School Closed to all pupils
Tuesday 14th October—Individual School Photos
Tuesday 14th October—Share our Learning Evening 3.30-6pm
Thursday 16th October—Share our Learning Evening 3.30-6pm
Friday 24th October—Black History Month Event—More information to follow
Friday 24th October—Friends of Chester Park Silent Disco—More information to follow
Friday 24th October—End of Term 1
Monday 3rd November—Start of Term 2
10th 14th November—Anti Bullying Week—More information to follow
Tuesday 11th November—Remembrance Day
Friday 14th November—Flu Immunisation
Friday 14th November—Children in Need Day
17th—21st November—Road Safety Week
Tuesday 18th November—Year 6 NCMP
Monday 1st December—Christmas Singalong —All Welcome
Wednesday 3rd December—Friends of Chester Park Winter Fair from 2pm
Wednesday 10th December—Year 5 & 6 Christmas Performance 9.30am & Year 3 & 4 Performance at 2pm at Junior School
Thursday 11th December—Year 3 & 4 Christmas Performance 9.30am & Year 5 & 6 Performance at 2pm at Junior School
Friday 12th December—Christmas Lunch & Festive Jumper Day
Tuesday 16th December—Year 2 Christmas Performance—2pm
Wednesday 17th December—Year 1 Christmas Performance—2pm
Thursday 18th December—Reception Year Christmas Performance—2pm
Friday 19th December—Christmas Party Day
Friday 19th December—End of Term 2
Monday 5th January—Start of Term 3
Tuesday 10th February—Share our Learning Evening 3.30-6pm
Thursday 12th February—Share our Learning Evening 3.30-6pm
Friday 13th February—End of Term 3
Monday 23rd February—Start of Term 4
Wednesday 4th March—Friends of Chester Park Holi Colour Run—More information to follow
Thursday 5th March—World Book Day—Children can dress as a book character for the day!
Friday 13th March—Red Nose Day
Thursday 19th March—Inset Day—School Closed to all pupils
Friday 20th March—Inset Day—School Closed to all pupils
Monday 23rd March—Eid Party & Coffee Morning—More information to follow
Week Beginning 30th March—Easter Cake Sale—More information to follow
Thursday 2nd April—End of Term 4
Monday 20th April—Start of Term 5
Tuesday 19th May—Infant School Sports Day
Wednesday 20th May—Junior School Sports Day
Friday 22nd May—End of Term 5
Monday 1st June—Start of Term 6
1st—5th June—Chester Park Belonging Week—More information to follow
Friday 5th June—Belonging Picnic and Summer Fair from 2pm
Tuesday 21st July—End of Term 6

October

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