



THE FRIENDS OF ST. CHAD'S NEWSLETTER



February 2026 – Term 3

Happy New year from the Friends.

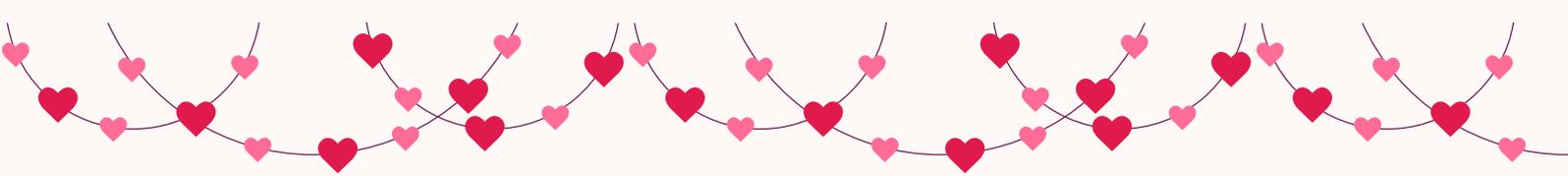
Wow... what a start to 2026, and honestly, we are so excited to share what's coming!

When the Friends met at the beginning of January to plan the year ahead, the room was full of ideas, laughter and one big shared goal – to make our children's time at St. Chad's as fun, memorable and special as it possibly can be. Because that's what the Friends are really about... Creating the moments they'll talk about for years. The discos they couldn't stop dancing at, the little surprises that made them smile, and the days that just felt a bit magical.

And this year.... we're going bigger than ever! We've got brand new challenges, your favourite events returning, and something HUGE on the horizon that we absolutely cannot wait to share with you all.

So let's see what's coming up next term.....





Upcoming Events

Friday 13th February – The 2026 Challenge launches! let's see what brilliant and creative ways our pupils can raise **£26 or more** while having lots of fun.

Tuesday 17th February 4-6pm Pancake Day. **St. Chad's church** are holding a fun, free community pancake evening for the whole family, please do come and join in.

Wednesday 25th February – School Disco
KS1 – 3:15 – 4:15 and KS2 – 4:30 – 5:30 – tickets on sale now!

Friday 6th March – wonderlicious Bars go on sale. We are celebrating World Book Day by selling our own version of the famous Wonka Bars! Will you find a Golden Token in your bar of Galaxy chocolate?

That Special someone in your life pop up shop – A lovely chance for the children to choose a small gift for someone special.

9th, 10th & 11th March under the friends shelter.

Flowers for someone special.

On sale: **13th March**

Pre-orders: **2nd – 6th March**

More details to follow.





Save The Date



CIRCUS

Happy's Circus is coming to St Chad's on **Saturday 12th September** – and it's set to be our biggest event yet! We cannot wait to bring something truly special to our school community and create a day full of fun, laughter and unforgettable memories for our children and families.

Can You Help Us Bring the Circus to Life?

If you are self-employed, run your own business, or work for a company that may be interested in sponsoring the event, we would love to hear from you. We're also keen to connect with anyone whose workplace offers **match funding**.

Sponsorship and **match funding** help us do so much more than host an amazing event – they allow us to invest in meaningful, lasting opportunities for our children. Funds raised through the circus will support the development of our **forestry and creative play area**, giving pupils inspiring spaces to explore, imagine and grow together. Every bit of support helps turn these plans into reality, so if you think you or your workplace could help, please do get in touch with the Friends.

We can't wait to share more with you soon!



We need more amazing

FRIENDS

As our amazing Year 6 volunteers move on in September, we'd love to welcome new parents, carers and family members to our fun, friendly team.

Whether you help behind the scenes, support at events or just lend a hand now and then – every bit helps us create those special memories for our children.

No experience needed. No huge time commitments. Just lovely people who care about our school.

Drop us an email at
FriendsOfStChadsPatchway@gmail.com
if you want to find out more!





TT Rockstars Relaunch

On Friday 6th February, our school rocked out as we relaunched Times Table Rock Stars! All the children dressed up as rock stars to celebrate and they all looked absolutely amazing. It was fantastic to see so much enthusiasm for learning times tables in such a fun and creative way – our classrooms were full of energy, and rock star spirit!

Thank you to Miss Powell for organising such a fun day!



thank you

As always, I'd like to say a **massive** thank you to all the Friends for everything they do, whether it's behind the scenes preparing for our upcoming events, or for being on the front line with me. You are all amazing!

A **BIG** thank you to all the staff at St Chad's for all your support.

A **HUGE** thank you to the lovely **Paul Evans** and **Charlotte Ainer** for printing our Wonderlicous wrappers for our upcoming World Book Day event. And to **Laura Adamson** for taking my ideas for a wrapper and turning it into a fantastic design.

A Fond Farewell and Thank You

From me personally, and from all of the Friends, a heartfelt thank you to **Trudy Fox** for everything she has given, both behind the scenes and on the front line, always with kindness and a huge heart. I've truly loved working alongside you, and you've helped shape the caring Friends community we're so proud of today. You will be deeply missed by us all. We wish you and your family every happiness and success in your new home and to Pheobe in her new school.

Thank you for being such a special part of our journey.

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Connect with us!

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 <https://www.pta-events.com/friendsfstchadspatchway/>

We post any Friend's updates via Arbor and Class Dojo to reach all parents and carers.

However, we often post to our Facebook with event reminders, updates and share community events as well!

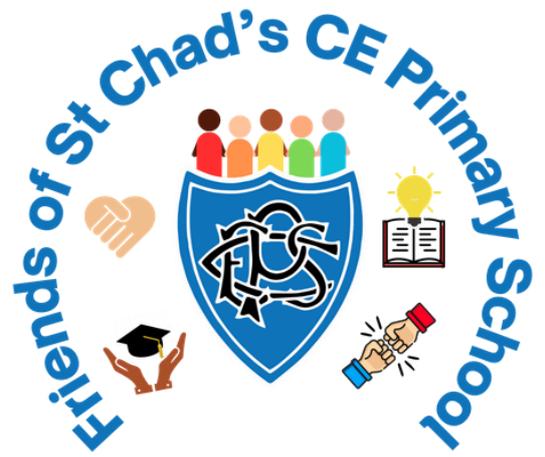
If you ever have any thoughts, suggestions or questions, then you can drop us an email 

Join in with the #2026Challenge

Fundraise £26 or more at home!

Friday 13th February -
Sunday 11th April 2026

All donations to be paid by 14th
April 2026 by the QR codes
provided on Arbor, clicking on the
link icon below, or by cash in a
labelled envelope.



£26 CHALLENGE

#2026 challenge





Pancake Day

Join us in the Church Hall
Tuesday 17th February

4 - 6pm

Free

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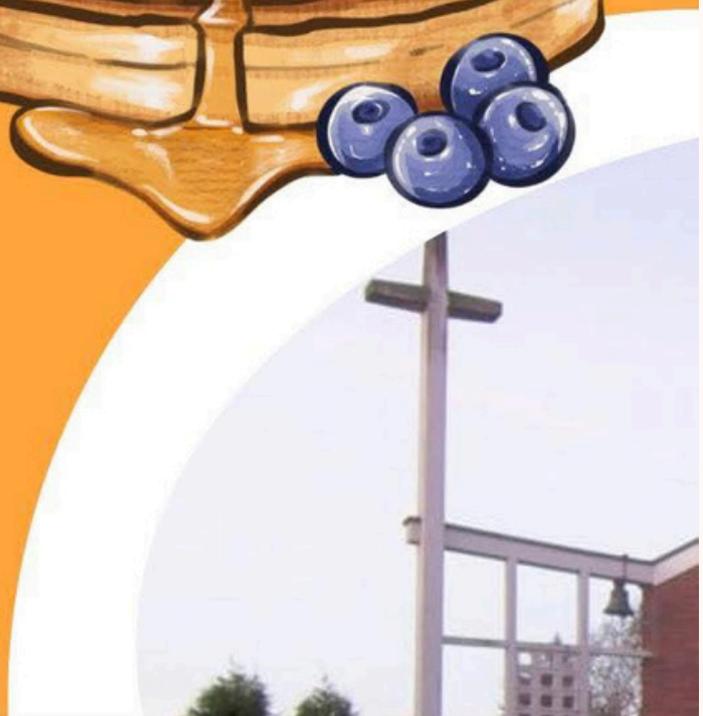
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