



13th June 2026

Dear Parents,

We wanted to let you know more about this year's Schools of Chesham Carnival on Saturday 13th June

This year's theme for the whole carnival is David Attenborough's 100th Birthday and the creatures he has championed throughout his amazing career.

Our chosen theme is based on his programmes 'Wild London' and 'Secret Garden', all the incredible wildlife in the UK, AND his 100th Birthday.

What better way to celebrate David Attenborough than to get as many UK wildlife creatures, big and small, to party together in a parade with a cake and party music and dancing!

We will be a walking float of a large group of people, hopefully with a vehicle to follow which will be decorated and carrying the School sign, and a big birthday cake and a brilliant sound system playing music!

Here are some ways you can be involved:

RAFFLE TICKETS

Keep an eye out for us selling tickets at Sports Day and in the playground. Ticket Books will also be put in all school bags soon, so remember to check. There are some great prizes including £100 CASH and all money raised goes directly back to school! PRIZE LIST details can be found in reception

ROAD MARSHALS

Each school in the carnival needs 3 more able-bodied volunteers to act as road marshals. These people will have to attend an evening safety briefing on Thursday 11th June 6pm at Chesham Town Hall (childcare available) and then will be assigned a spot next to road closure signs along the carnival route. We are happy to have anyone, aunties, cousins, uncles, grandparents (!) if they'd like to be involved.

JOIN US IN THE PARADE:

Animal costume choices:

Foxes, Badgers, Red Squirrels, Hedgehogs, Deer, Hares, Barn Owls, Puffins, Bluetits, Robins, Blackbirds, Woodpeckers... As long as its native to the UK

(insects and pollinators are being done by another school)

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Animal Face Masks!

Can you make a tail?



Make a HAT featuring your favourite animals – Easter bonnet style, draw pictures and stick them on, make some Hare ears, a robin or blue tit, blackbird on a nest!

Anything!

Do you have any UK animal toys – stick it to your hats!



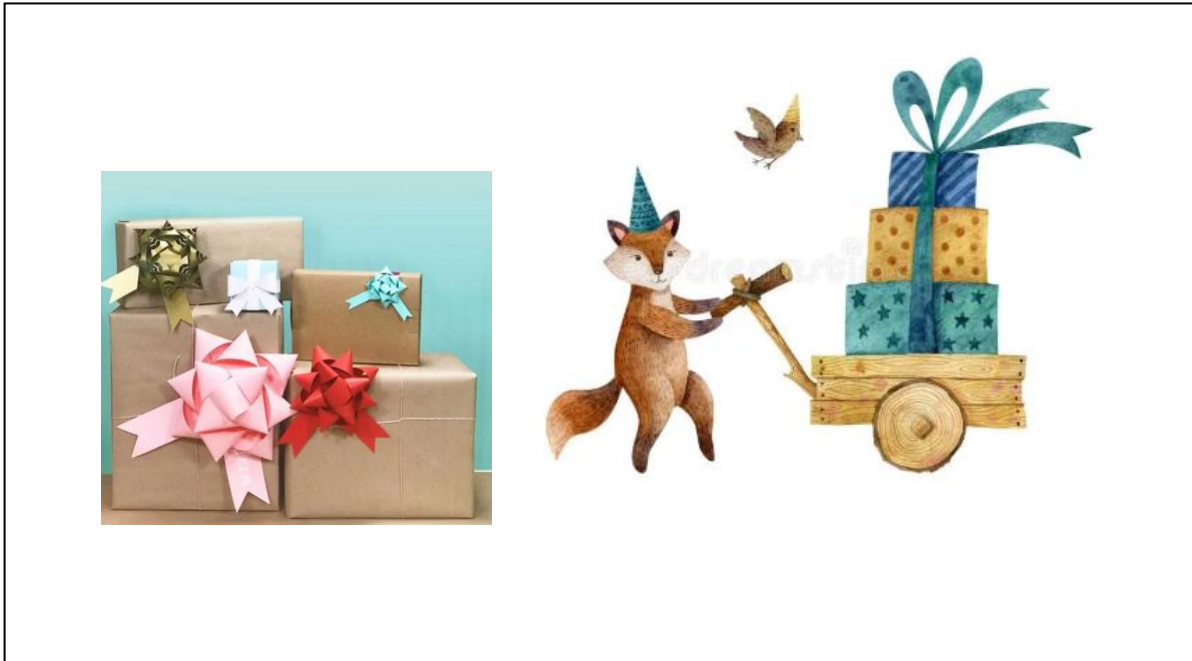
Can you help us Decorate a cake with beautiful UK WILDLIFE drawings, paintings, or cuttings from magazines and newspapers?

This will either go on a vehicle or on a trolley – ideas welcome on how big we can make it - cardboard donations welcome.



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We need lots of fake cardboard presents wrapped with bows to be put in a wheel barrow and if there are any fold up trolleys people can lend that would be greatly appreciated?



And lastly, all floats must carry a quote from Sir David, so why not help us make 2 colourful animal themed banners with our chosen quote to be shown on either side of the leading vehicle! Even if its one word, and we can stick them all together.

‘When it comes to discovering the wonders of nature. There really is no place like home’

There will be crafting sessions after school in the coming weeks if you want some help with your costume ideas, or you have some lovely colourful animal pictures to add to the cake design.

ANY spare party decorations & ballons will be great appreciated so we can decorate the vehicle and carry along with us so we create the theme of a big walking party!



If you would like to take part please complete the permission slip below and return to the office. We have a Whatsapp group so we can communicate directly with you so please include your mobile number and we will add you.

Many thanks, Hawridge & Cholesbury Carnival Team

If you need any further information please email groverjo@hotmail.com

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Permission slip: Please complete and hand to the school Office latest by Monday 8TH June

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Please tick and complete:

- I give permission for my child(ren) (please delete as appropriate) to be involved in the procession on the above date, and that I will accompany them and be responsible for them throughout

Child's name/ Children's names:

Child's/ Children's class:

Signed (parent or guardian):

Name:

Mobile number:

E-mail address:

- I am willing to be a Road Marshall on the day of the Carnival and can attend the meeting on Thursday 11th June at Chesham Town Hall at 6pm (or I can volunteer a willing friend or relative – please include their information below in addition to your own).

- I can help with setting up the float on the afternoon of Friday 12th June.