

6th July 2018

Working together... Learning for life



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Dear Parents,

The end of term is rapidly approaching but the school has been no less busy with lots of fantastic learning going on for Focus Week. With 'Amazing Achievements' as the theme it has been fascinating to see what the children have been learning about.

The infants have focused their learning on Bristol and on the Aardman studios. I have enjoyed seeing the figures Year 2 have been creating for their animations and the Year 1 trip to The Matthew (all dressed as pirates) was a highlight of the week.

Higher up the school in the juniors there have been explorations of famous scientists, drawings of notable historical figures and some great science learning linked to balloons!

On top of all this we have also hosted more sporting events with schools in the trust (Severn Beach & Lyde Green) and were privileged to have a fantastic music concert on Wednesday night showcasing the talent of the children who learn musical instruments. Thank you to all the parents/carers who came to listen to them & who helped put away chairs at benches at the end of the night!

Kindest regards,
Mrs Willcox, Headteacher



What's happening next week?

- Wednesday/Thursday pm - New Reception visits
- Friday 13th – reports are sent to parents/carers

Uniform reminder

As the shops fill up with new uniform at discounted prices (although I generally want to wait until the end of the holidays when they have had their inevitable growth spurt) I thought it would be helpful to remind everyone about uniform at Charfield.

All children are expected to wear the school uniform as we believe this helps them develop a sense of pride and identify with our school. School uniform is as follows:

Tops: white polo shirt or white shirt/blouse
School sweatshirt

Bottoms: Grey/black trousers or grey/black skirt
Grey/black shorts
Grey/black socks or tights
Pale Blue & white checked dresses/ playsuits / skirts

NB/ black shorts are permitted under skirts/dresses.

Footwear: all children are expected to wear low-heeled black footwear (not ballet styles shoes). Black trainers are permitted. All laces must be black.

PE kit (kept in named bag in school):

- Black or grey (charcoal) plain shorts
- White school PE t-shirts
- Black/grey (charcoal) tracksuits in the winter
- Appropriate footwear (daps/trainers)



Sun Hats

As the hot weather is set to continue please can I remind parents/carers that it is really important your child has a sun hat in school!



While we always do our best to provide shade at lunchtime, the children are out for a long period when the sun is at its hottest and a sun hat is invaluable protection for them. In Australia they operate a 'no hat, no play' policy and I will be considering implementing this if the heat continues to rise. This would mean children without a hat would be limited to shaded areas of the school grounds at playtimes to keep them safe.

If you have any spare hats you no longer need please send them to school so we can keep them as 'spares'.

Parent help required!

We Need Your Help



We would like to clean all the equipment and resources (unifix, lego, rulers, cubes) in school before the end of term so that they are ready for September.

Staff will be cleaning various bits throughout the next two weeks but if you are able to take a box to clean at home we would be very grateful!

The equipment will generally be plastic & will need washing in antibacterial washing-up liquid or Milton. It can then be left outside on a towel to dry out before returning to the box or tray.

If you are able to help please speak to the class teacher next week.

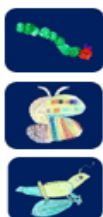
Thank you in advance!

CLASS OF THE WEEK



The teachers have voted and persuaded.... and Class of the week goes to **ALL of the infants!**

They have worked collaboratively this week to find 'Feathers' in mixed reception, year 1, year 2 teams, been brilliant ambassadors at our sporting events and been super welcoming to our visitors – you have really shown what Charfield is about. Well done!



SPORTS NEWS

What a sporty week! On Tuesday, the children from Netball Club formed three teams to play in a tournament at Castle School. The play was competitive and the Charfield teams showed off fantastic skills including their impeccable footwork! We all greatly enjoyed the afternoon - particularly the team who came home with runners-up medals! Lucy B deserves a special mention as our youngest player who held her own against some very tall year 6 shooters! A massive well done to all of the children and thank you to the grown ups who supported us too.

Wednesday saw the welcome return of Mr Weeks from GymRun and the KS2 children performed the skills drills with resilience and in some cases courage too - GymRun is not easy for some children and we were very proud to see those trying their absolute best - well done! The scores are fantastic and the children will receive their 'Colours' next week.

Thursday bought an exciting afternoon at the Thornbury Area Schools Cluster KS2 Sports event, held at Gillingstool Primary. It was hot. It was fun. The children, as always, were a credit to the school. We had some super individual results - and some hilarious antics with skipping ropes - but throughout the event the children had smiles on their sweaty faces. The event was a bit like a 'traditional' Sports Day and it was evident which schools still practise jumping in a sack - something which we will bear in mind next year. The afternoon was rounded off by an exceptional team running performance from the Y6 boys who finished 1st - well done Joey, Ryan S and Leon (who ran fast, twice!)

The icing on the football-shaped-cake this week was our CSET Collaborative Sports morning with Year 1 and 2 children hosting children from Lyde Green and Severn Beach schools. The children experienced football, cricket, hockey and gymnastics with their new friends and shared a picnic lunch to celebrate the event too. It was a great success all round and the children deserve a bit of a rest on the weekend.

Thank you if you supported your child's sporting ambition this week - whether with words of encouragement or by driving them to another school - we appreciate your support.

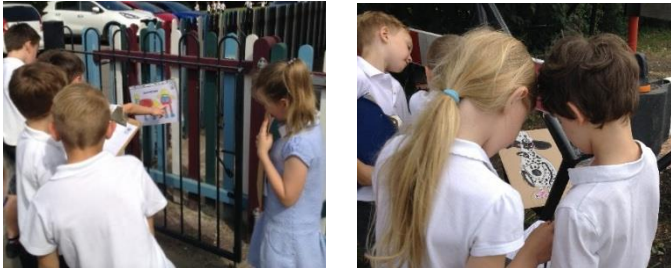
Finally, if your child is a gymnast and would like to perform a short floor routine to some of their peers, please ask them to talk to me at some point next week!



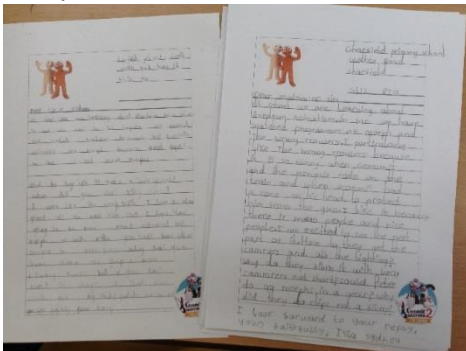
LEARNING AT CHARFIELD



As part of Amazing Achievements week, Grasshoppers have been learning all about Aardman Animations. We created our own Feathers McGraws and led a team of Year 1's and Reception children to complete our own Charfield trail.



We also wrote letters to Aardman posing well-thought out questions.



Finally, we made our own Morph-style characters! We were very excited to see that Jim, the man who makes Morph and whom we followed a tutorial from, commented on how good they are on Twitter! We can't wait to animate them next week.



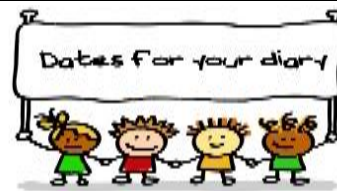
The Friends will be selling **Ice Lollies and Ice Creams** on the last day of term **Friday 20th July!**



Ice lollies 50p
Ice creams £1.00

After school in the playground!

Thankyou to all parents, local residents etc that contributed to today's collection . 45 bags and £75 towards Charfield Primary Schools ongoing fundraising has been made. We have arranged the next collection for early Oct. If you are a charity, school etc then do try the Rags to Riches scheme but be sure to mention Charfield Primary school as each referral makes us a further £25. Huge thanks again it's very much appreciated. For and on behalf of 'The Friends of Charfield School!'



DATE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	EVENT
13/07/18	Fri	N/A	N/A	Reports to Parents
18/07/18	Wed	19:00	20:30	Leavers Play
19/07/18	Thu	14:00	15:00	Year 1 Swimming Ends
20/7/18	Fri	N/A	N/A	Term 6 Ends



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Dates 2018-2019

DATE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	EVENT
03/09/18	Mon	N/A	N/A	INSET Day 1
04/09/18	Tue	N/A	N/A	Term 1 Begins
10/09/18	Mon	15:30	16:00	Meet the Teacher
24/09/18	Mon	12:00	12:15	Open Class - Beetles (Y3)
27/09/18	Mon	12:00	13:15	YEAR 3 - Parent Lunch
04/10/18	Thu	14:00	15:30	YEAR 2 Swimming Starts
01/10/18	Mon	N/A	N/A	Photographer - Individuals
08/10/18	Mon	N/A	N/A	FOCUS WEEK 1
15/10/18	Mon	18:00	19:00	YEAR 6 - Parents Residential Meeting
23/10/18	Tue	11:45	12:00	Open Class - Grasshoppers (Y2)
23/10/18	Tue	12:00	13:15	YEAR 2 - Parent Lunch
25/10/18	Thu	N/A	N/A	Term 1 Ends
26/10/18	Fri	N/A	N/A	INSET Day 2
05/11/18	Mon	N/A	N/A	Inset Day 3
05/11/18	Mon	N/A	N/A	Y6 Residential Trip Starts
09/11/18	Fri	N/A	N/A	Y6 Residential Trip Ends
12/11/18	Mon	17:30	20:00	Parents Evening 1 Late
14/11/18	Wed	15:30	17:30	Parents Evening 1 Early
26/11/18	Mon	11:45	12:00	Open Class - Butterflies (Y1)
26/11/18	Mon	12:00	13:15	YEAR 1 - Parent Lunch
03/12/18	Mon	18:00	19:00	Y5 Parents meeting 1 - Y6 Residential
03/12/18	Mon	15:20	15:45	Open Class - Bumblebees (Y6)
12/12/18	Wed	11:30	13:30	Christmas Lunch - Staff
13/12/18	Thu	11:30	13:30	Christmas Lunch - Children
13/12/18	Thu	14:00	15:30	YEAR 2 Swimmings Ends
18/12/18	Tue	09:30	10:30	KS1 Nativity 1
18/12/18	Tue	16:00	17:00	KS1 Nativity 2
20/12/18	Thu	14:00	15:00	Year 3 Swimming Starts
21/12/18	Fri	09:30	10:30	KS2 - Carol Service
21/12/18	Fri	14:30	15:10	KS2 - Carol Service
21/12/18	Fri	N/A	N/A	Term 2 Ends
07/01/19	Mon	N/A	N/A	INSET Day 4
08/01/19	Tue	N/A	N/A	Term 3 Begins
14/01/19	Mon	18:00	19:00	Year 6 - SATs Parent Meeting
24/01/19	Thu	12:00	13:15	Reception - Parent Lunch
24/01/19	Thu	11:45	12:00	Open Class - Caterpillars (EYFS)
24/01/19	Thu	14:00	15:00	Year 3 Swimming Ends
27/02/19	Wed	12:15	13:15	YEAR 4 - Parent Lunch
27/02/19	Wed	12:00	12:15	Open Class - Ladybirds (Y4)
11/02/19	Mon	15:15	16:00	Open Class - Grasshoppers (Y2)
15/02/19	Fri	N/A	N/A	Term 3 Ends
25/02/19	Mon	N/A	N/A	Term 4 Begins
01/03/19	Fri	N/A	N/A	Mid Year Reports
04/03/19	Mon	17:30	20:00	Parents Evening 2 Late
06/03/19	Wed	15:30	17:30	Parents Evening 2 Early
28/02/19	Thu	14:00	15:00	Year 3 Swimming Starts
11/03/19	Mon	12:00	12:15	Open Class - Dragonflies (Y5)
11/03/19	Mon	12:15	13:15	YEAR 5 - Parent Lunch
11/03/19	Mon	N/A	N/A	FOCUS WEEK 2



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07/03/19	Thu	N/A	N/A	World Book Day
15/03/19	Fri	N/A	N/A	Photographer - Class & Leavers
26/03/19	Tue	15:20	15:45	Open Class - Butterflies (Y1)
05/04/19	Fri	N/A	N/A	Term 4 Ends
23/04/19	Tue	N/A	N/A	Term 5 Begins
04/04/19	Thu	14:00	15:00	Year 3 Swimming Ends
25/04/19	Thu	14:00	15:00	Year 1 Swimming Starts
06/05/19	Mon	15:20	15:45	Open Class - Beetles (Y3)
23/05/19	Thu	14:00	15:00	Year 1 Swimming Ends
13/05/19	Mon	N/A	N/A	Year 6 SAT Week
20/05/19	Mon	15:20	15:45	Open Class - Ladybirds (Y4)
21/05/19	Tue	15:20	15:45	Open Class - Caterpillars (EYFS)
22/05/19	Wed	09:30	12:00	Infant Sports Day
22/05/19	Wed	12:00	13:00	Sports Day Picnic
22/05/19	Wed	13:30	03:00	Junior Sports Day
24/05/19	Fri	N/A	N/A	Term 5 Ends
03/06/19	Mon	N/A	N/A	Term 6 Begins
10/06/19	Mon	13:30	15:20	Y6 Block Swimming Session Starts
19/06/19	Wed	N/A	N/A	Reserve Sports Day
14/06/19	Fri	13:30	15:20	Y6 Block Swimming Session Ends
10/06/19	Mon	N/A	N/A	Phonics Screening Week
25/06/19	Tue	12:00	12:20	Open Class - Bumblebees (Y6)
25/06/19	Tue	12:20	13:15	YEAR 6 - Parent Lunch
19/06/19	Wed	18:00	19:00	New Reception Parents Evening
27/06/19	Thu	14:00	15:30	Year 1 Swimming Starts
01/07/19	Mon	N/A	N/A	FOCUS WEEK 3
03/07/19	Wed	19:00	20:00	Music Evening
08/07/19	Mon	15:20	15:45	Open Class - Dragonflies (Y5)
12/07/19	Fri	N/A	N/A	Reports to Parents
15/07/19	Mon	19:00	20:30	Leavers Play
18/07/19	Thu	14:00	15:00	Year 1 Swimming Ends
19/07/18	Fri	N/A	N/A	Term 6 Ends
22/07/19	Mon	N/A	N/A	Inset Day 5
23/07/19	Tue	N/A	N/A	Inset Day 6

