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## CHARFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS LETTER

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5<sup>th</sup> October 2012

### MRS HILL – OUR NEW DEPUTY HEAD.

Hello, I'm Mrs Hill. I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for the warm welcome to Charfield. We have had an exciting term so far and I am very much looking forward to the year ahead!



### WANTED – DINNER SUPERVISOR (SMSA)

We require a SMSA to supervise our children on Wednesdays & Fridays. For more information please contact the school office.

### CASUAL CLEANING AND CATERING STAFF

Required by South Glos Council, if you are interested contact Elaine Whitt 07702 696357

### VOLUNTEER WANTED FOR SCHOOL WEBSITE

Do you have skills and experience in web site design and maintenance? We would dearly like a volunteer to help with our school website and share their expertise to modernise our site. If you are able to help please contact the school office?

### TRANSFER TO SECONDARY SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2012

Parents and carers of Y6 pupils will have received an individual letter giving information on how to register your child for secondary school. If you have not received your letter please advise the office. The closing date for applications is Sunday 31st October.

### SECURITY MARKING OF SCOOTERS

PCSO Sean McKinnon will be here after school on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October to do security marking of scooters. He will require your post code and house number.

### PARENTS EVENINGS FOR YEAR 6

Parents evenings for class 6HS will be on:  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 5pm – 8 pm  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 3.30pm-5.30pm

### HEALTHY EATING SNACKS & PACKED LUNCH MEALS – CLARIFICATION

We would like to communicate our expectations for Break-time Snacks and Packed Lunches.

Charfield Primary has Healthy School Status. Therefore to promote Healthy Living, we do **not** permit children to bring any form of sweets to school. If a snack is to be brought in for morning break it should be healthy such as a piece of fruit or fruit bars. The school kitchen also provides toast & cereals for children to purchase during breaks



Within Packed Lunches we expect a lunch box to contain a balanced meal. The school will contact parents if we feel a child's dietary needs are not being met.



### COMMUNITY TENNIS HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

<p><b>Charfield Tennis Club U12'S</b> <b>Weds Oct 31st</b> <b>1-3pm</b> £7.50 (£8.50) Per session</p>	<p><b>Sunnyside Lane courts Yate.</b> <b>Coaching &amp; Activity Workshops</b> <b>U8's, U12's</b> <b>Wed 31st Oct &amp;</b> <b>Thurs 1 Nov</b> <b>AT 10am-12noon £8.50 per session</b> <b>Age group U16's Tournament</b> <b>Thurs 1 Nov</b> <b>AT 12.30-3pm. £5 entry</b></p>
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**To enrol & ASK about term time AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS IN NOVEMBER AND EARLY DECEMBER FROM 3.30PM**

**Call ELAINE on 01454 315023/0772516518**

**Or Email [elaine.weightman@homecall.co.uk](mailto:elaine.weightman@homecall.co.uk)**



### FRIENDS UPDATE

The AGM took place this week and we were a little disappointed that only 2 new faces appeared (thank you Sarah & Jim!), there were also a few committee members who wanted to step down, but we are delighted to say that we have managed to scrape together a full committee and the team now consists of;

**CHAIR - TIM SKUSE**

**VICE CHAIR – KIRSTY RUMMELS**

**SECRETARIES – MARIE PUGH & SHARON DICKER**

**TREASURER – SARAH EVANS-SMITH**

We have a few General Members but could really do with a few more people to come along and help us out, especially at our next big event which is our Fireworks Night which is being held on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2012**. As you can imagine, a lot of work goes into organising this event and a few extra bodies would really help us out - even if it's only for ½ an hour on the night. Our next meeting about this event is taking place on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm in The Parents Room. Every parent of children at the school is welcome to come along or if you can't make it but want to help in some way please email Marie or Tim.  
[Marie.pugh@tesco.net](mailto:Marie.pugh@tesco.net) or [tmskuse@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:tmskuse@hotmail.co.uk) .  
Thank you for your support.

## LEARNING AT CHARFIELD

### THIS WEEK - PIG HEART BOY – YEAR 6

Our Year 6 class became journalists and reported about a fascinating and pioneering operation from their class book Pig heart boy

## Pig heart boy



A 14 year old boy who was dying from heart disease is now at home again, living a normal teenage life. Cameron Kelsey has just had a pig heart transplant after an 11 hour procedure. The operation took place in an unknown location; the surgeon was Professor Richard Bryce.

Cameron had the operation 2 weeks ago and is now in great condition, playing with his school friends again.

When Cameron was born he had a virus that caused Cardiac Disease. Since then he was suffering from weakness and was always feeling tired. Mr Kelsey decided that his son couldn't go like that and talked to a Specialist. The Specialist, Richard Bryce, agreed to do the transplant and is now extremely happy to have saved a human's life. As well as saving Cameron Kelsey's life, the doctors have proved that when there aren't enough human heart donors they will use more pig hearts.

Dr Bryce was confident and sure that the surgery would succeed, fortunately it did succeed and Cameron is now at home again.

Mr and Mrs Kelsey are very happy and said, "We are truly glad that the operation went well, Cameron is back at school and having heaps of fun with his friends!" Cardiologists said, "We see many people in need of a heart however there aren't enough heart donors to save everyone. We do everything to try and save the innocent people, then Dr Bryce got an amazing idea, to use pig hearts. First all the staff was unsure about the idea. Dr Bryce explained it and showed how close a pig heart is to a human heart. That one transplant changed everything. We are very grateful to Dr Bryce and thank him very much."

Written by Naomi C - BBC Correspondent

## Dates 2012-2013

DATE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	EVENT
18/10/2012	Thursday	12:00 PM	1:15 PM	YEAR 2 – Parent Lunch
24/10/2012	Wednesday			Term 1 Ends
05/11/2012	Monday			INSET Day 2
06/11/2012	Tuesday			Term 2 Begins
12/11/2012	Monday	5:30 PM	8:00 PM	Parents Evening 1 Late
15/11/2012	Thursday	12:15 PM	1:15 PM	YEAR 3 – Parent Lunch
12/11/2012	Monday			Y6 Conway Starts
16/11/2012	Friday			Y6 Conway Ends
05/12/2012	Wednesday	5:30 PM	6:30 PM	Conway 2013 Meeting 1 (Y5 Parents)
06/12/2012	Thursday	2:00 PM	3:30 PM	YEAR 2 Swimming Ends
13/12/2012	Thursday			Christmas Lunch

14/11/2012	Wednesday	3:30 PM	5:30 PM	Parents Evening 1 Early
17/12/2012	Monday	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	KS2 Performance dress rehearsal
18/12/2012	Tuesday	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	KS2 Performance
19/12/2012	Wednesday	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	KS2 Performance
21/12/2012	Friday			Term 2 Ends
07/01/2013	Monday			Term 3 Begins
10/01/2013	Thursday	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Year 3 Swimming Starts
10/01/2013	Thursday	12:00 PM	1:15 PM	Reception - Parent Lunch
07/02/2013	Thursday	12:15 PM	1:15 PM	YEAR 4 – Parent Lunch
07/02/2013	Thursday			Term 3 Ends
08/02/2013	Friday			INSET Day 3
18/02/2013	Monday			Term 4 Begins
01/03/2013	Friday			Mid Year Reports
04/03/2013	Monday	5:30 PM	8:00 PM	Parents Evening 2 Late
06/03/2013	Wednesday	3:30 PM	5:30 PM	Parents Evening 2 Early
14/03/2013	Wednesday	12:15 PM	1:15 PM	YEAR 5 – Parent Lunch
21/03/2013	Thursday	9:00 AM	2:30 PM	Y6 Life-skills
22/03/2013	Friday			Term 4 Ends
08/04/2013	Monday			Term 5 Begins
18/04/2013	Thursday	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Year 3 Swimming Ends
25/04/2013	Thursday	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Year 1 Swimming Starts
22/05/2013	Wednesday	9:30 AM	12:00 PM	Infant Sports Day
22/05/2013	Wednesday	12:00 PM	1:00 PM	Sports Day Picnic
22/05/2013	Wednesday	1:30 PM	3:00 AM	Junior Sports Day
23/05/2013	Thursday	12:15 PM	1:15 PM	YEAR 6 – Parent Lunch
24/05/2013	Friday			Term 5 Ends
03/06/2013	Monday			INSET Day 4
04/06/2013	Tuesday			Term 6 Begins
05/06/2013	Wednesday			Reserve Sports Day
13/06/2013	Thursday	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	New Reception Parents Evening
08/07/2013	Monday	2.00 PM		Helpers Thank you Tea
08/07/2013	Monday	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Music Evening
18/07/2013	Thursday	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Year 1 Swimming Ends
22/07/2013	Monday	7:00 PM	8:30 PM	Leavers Play 2011
24/07/2013	Wednesday			Term 6 Ends Inset Day 5