

Charing CE Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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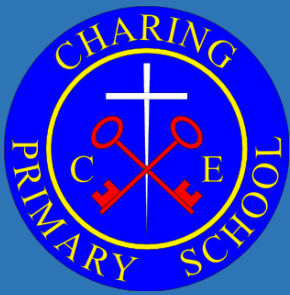
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Welcome back to the new term and what a positive feel there is to the school as we begin Term 4.

We had all been hoping that we would be able to return in full very soon and the recent news that everyone will return to school on March 8th brought great joy to us all. Further the suggestions that life might be able to go back to something like the old normal by late June is very encouraging. What is normal these days? The arrival of the Spring like weather has also helped our positive mood and outlook: it feels literally like the light at the end of the tunnel that was discussed on Monday! Nevertheless, it makes sense to move forward with great care and open up gradually. It's important to remember that, for the time being at least, all restrictions need to remain in place to control the virus and save lives.

If the government's roadmap is followed and restrictions are eventually lifted, I hope that at the end of this school year, unlike last year, we will be able to include the following:- a school leavers' service for everyone, the end of year play, sports day, trips and many more fun exciting things to conclude the school year as we would wish. However, these can only happen if the national data shows that the virus is under control and in the meantime school clubs will not resume until after Easter at the earliest.

We are still considering the prospect of running a breakfast and after school club despite the initial lack of interest because in the new situation parental circumstances may change. If we do provide these facilities the aim will be to start in September. I will write once again in the coming months to gauge interest.

When the children return on the 8th March, Mrs Thompson will continue to shield at home until the end of term. She will still be involved with the class by teaching some lessons over 'Teams' on the interactive board. Miss B will be leading the class on Mondays and Tuesdays with Mrs Humphries leading it for the rest of the week.

Due to the return and staff cover, the timetables will change slightly which means PE will be on the following days for each class -

- Rabbits - Tuesday
- Squirrels - Thursday & Friday
- Foxes - Monday & Wednesday
- Badgers - Thursday & Friday
- Owls - Monday & Thursday

On these days children will be expected to wear PE kit for the whole day. The PE kit expected to be worn is:

- Blue or Black shorts, joggers or leggings
- Royal Blue Jumper or Fleece with school logo.
- Royal Blue T-shirt or polo with school logo
- Plimsolls, pumps or trainers (No trainers for Rabbits class please)

I wish all of you a wonderful weekend. Please remember that despite the great news on Monday about the future, we are still in a pandemic and the virus is still very much a threat. We must continue to be cautious and follow the guidelines given.

Take care,
Mr Bird



As we journey through Lent, I try to 'count my blessings' and remember the good things we have been given. This week's worship has been thinking back to the creation, including that first day when light and dark were separated.

In the beginning God created the sky and the earth.... Darkness covered the ocean..... Then God said, "Let there be light!" And there was light. (Genesis 1:1-3)

Light is certainly important as the first thing that was needed in our world.

Notice light around you and wonder about the difference that light makes to your life: Watch the patterns sunlight makes around your home, garden or as you walk around,

Wonder at the invention of the lightbulb and the light and shadows it causes

Watch a flickering candle (with an adult) .

****Please remember to never stare directly at a source of light to protect your eyes****



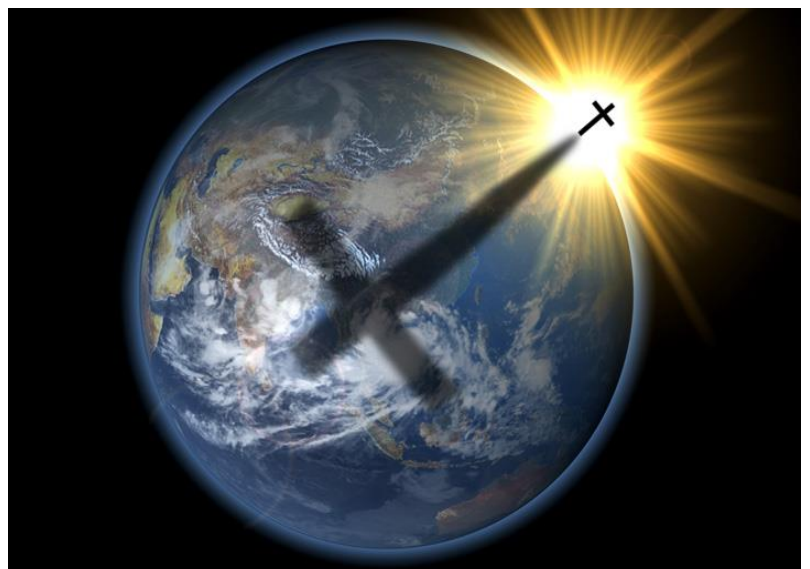
Prayer

Creator God

Thank you for making this amazing world. Thank you for making it so beautiful. Thank you for loving every person you have made in the whole world.

Please help us to look after the world. Please help us to look after each other. Please help us not to be greedy, and to trust you to give us enough. Please help us to share what you have given us.

AMEN



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Spring Secret Garden

With the weather change this week it really has begun to feel like spring is on its way! Have you noticed any spring bulbs beginning to grow on your walks or in your gardens?



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**ON FRIDAY
19TH
MARCH
TELL US A
JOKE!**



Wear something red and do something
funny for money on our
Tell us a joke Day!



**WHY ARE FISH SO SMART?
BECAUSE THEY LIVE IN
SCHOOLS!**



**WHY WAS 6 AFRAID OF 7?
BECAUSE 7, 8, 9!**

**WHY DID THE STUDENT EAT HIS
HOMEWORK?
BECAUSE HIS TEACHER TOLD
HIM IT WOULD BE A PIECE OF
CAKE!**



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