

Charing CE Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

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Lockdown
Edition

As this school closure comes to an end, it has been lovely this week to see Spring arriving in full too. I find that sunny days, warmer weather and the bursting of spring flowers and blossom helps to make everything look brighter and more positive.

Thank you for supporting your children's learning during the lockdown, accessing the online lessons and sending in completed work. It has been great to see so many children engaging with learning while we have been at home. We have sent a questionnaire on parentmail to let you tell us your experiences. Please complete this and return to school by next Friday. Thank you to the parents who have already sent theirs back - it has been lovely to read your comments. Staff have been in school this week, busily preparing for the children to return to classroom learning next week. Classrooms are looking bright and inviting, ready for learning. Pencils have been sharpened, books are waiting to be written in, we are ready and excited to see all the children again on Monday morning.

We will continue with all the safety precautions for children, parents and staff as before Christmas. The pandemic has not gone away, and as we reopen, we need to do all we can to keep everyone in our community safe and to prevent the infection rate rising again. We are again asking parents to drop children off and leave the school site quickly in the mornings. This includes the pathways outside the school grounds so other families can get into school without the path being blocked. Pick up will continue on the playground and we ask you to ensure that you wear your mask on site and keep your distance from other parents. We also need to ensure that we are all keeping to the government guidelines outside of the school. If we believe that children have broken the guidance, we may have to ask them to isolate.

Finally, a huge thank you and well done to the PTFA who have smashed their £250 fundraising target. At the time of writing, the total is £340, but that may have increased again since. This money goes towards providing extra resources and experiences for all the children in school and we really appreciate the time taken by the PTFA volunteers to support us. Thank you!

Mrs Hammond

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/charingprimary-ptfa?utm_term=QQy9qGYXX

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Prayer

Dear God, at times when the world does not feel like a fair place, help me to trust in you and know that you are alongside me, showing me how to respond and how to treat others fairly.

AMEN



You will notice that there is some work happening near the cemetery entrance of the school. Please be assured that you will still be able to access this gate for the end of school pickups. Please be extra vigilant around the area, especially if you have younger children with you.

This week we will be thinking about Fairtrade and the world we want to see, and how we can help to shape it. Life is tough for producers of coffee, bananas, cocoa and many, many more products that we buy and enjoy. They may have to choose between providing nutritious food for their families, getting medicines when they are ill, and paying for ways to protect their homes and farms from climate changes. What in your home is fairtrade? This means the farmers were paid a fair amount for their produce. Have a look at the food in your house and see if you can spot the fairtrade logo. Can you make something using a fairtrade ingredient?

Try this family quiz about the origins of cocoa:

<https://schools.fairtrade.org.uk/teaching-resources/primary-school-quiz-for-fairtrade-fortnight-2021/>



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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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