



# CHARFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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*Working together....  
Learning for life*

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11<sup>th</sup> March 2016



## VIRUS, COLDS AND COUGHS

The school is currently experiencing an unprecedented number of absences due to children being unwell and under the weather.

We want to beat these flu bugs that are 'doing the rounds' so please could we ask for your help in the following ways:

### CATCH IT

Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.



### BIN IT

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.



### KILL IT

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as you can.



- Encourage your child to wash their hands regularly with soap and warm water,
- Clean surfaces regularly to get rid of germs, including the more unusual (telephone and door handles),
- Provide your child with suitable tissues to cover their mouth and nose when they cough or sneeze,
- Put used tissues in a bin as soon as possible.

More advice can be found at  
<http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/Flu/Pages/Symptoms.aspx>

THANK YOU!



## CHATTER REPORTERS VISIT ESSILOR



On Wednesday, 4 children involved in our Charfield Chatter project visited Essilor in Thornbury to interview Mike Kirkley, Managing Director.

After the interview and photo session the reporting team were given a superb tour of the production line. We were amazed by the technology and saw how a cylinder of plastic was transformed into precision Varilux lens for glasses.



Thank you to Mike and Pete for their time and support with the project.

## FRIENDS DISCO



Thank you to Friends and Staff who helped with the disco last Friday night. The children had an excellent time dancing the night away!

£276 was made on the evening.  
Thank you to all who attended and supported.



Head to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) to fundraise for Friends of Charfield School now.  
Already registered? Spread the word to family and friends to let them know just how easy it is!

## PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING

Did you know that the government provides schools with additional funding to support or enhance the learning of pupils who are currently or have been entitled to free school meals within the last 6 years? This funding (called Pupil Premium Funding) is by no means a small amount; it could add thousands of pounds to a tight school budget and is critical to allow us to provide quality experiences to enhance your child's learning.

To access this funding we need your help.

If you are a parent who meets one of the criteria below we urge you to make an application using the link below, even if you do not wish your child to receive a meal.

- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run on – paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

Applications can be made online at

<http://www.southglos.gov.uk/advice-and-benefits/benefits/free-school-meals>



## LEARNING AT CHARFIELD

### Caterpillar Class (YR)



The Reception class have been learning about signs of springtime. They read a story called "Fletcher & the springtime Blossoms" and then created their own spring tree paintings. Here are Lilyana and Robbie's beautiful trees.



A sport relief mile will take place on the playground after school next Friday, 18th March. Children and adults are welcome to take part. A letter will follow on Monday giving more details. All donations will go to support Sport Relief.

## MR LAWDAY'S CLASS OF THE WEEK

This week's Class of the Week goes to the Caterpillars!

This week I have been popping in and out to all classes and it's been a very hard choice but I have selected Caterpillar Class as class of the week. What amazing independence and behaviour around school! They all greet everyone with a cheery 'Hello' and are so keen to share their learning with visitors to the class.



## CHARFIELD COMMUNITY NOTICES



*Charfield Pre-School*  
**St. Patrick Day Themed Quiz Night**  
Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2016  
At Charfield Memorial Hall  
Bar opens 7.30pm Quiz Starts 8pm Tickets £6.00, includes a light supper,  
Tickets available from Steve's shop Charity no. 105832



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Dates 15-16				
DATE	DAY	START TIME	END TIME	EVENT
17/03/16	Thursday	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Year 3 Swimming Ends
21/03/16	Monday			FOCUS WEEK 2
23/03/16	Wednesday	3:20 PM	3:45 PM	Open Class - Butterflies (Y1)
24/03/16	Thursday			Term 4 Ends
11/04/16	Monday			INSET Day 3
12/04/16	Tuesday			Term 5 Begins
14/04/16	Thursday	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Year 1 Swimming Starts
21/04/16	Thursday	3:20 PM	3:45 PM	Open Class - Beetles (Y3)
09/05/16	Monday			Year 6 SAT Week
18/05/16	Wednesday	3:20 PM	3:45 PM	Open Class - Caterpillars (EYFS)
25/05/16	Wednesday	9:30 AM	12:00 PM	Infant Sports Day
25/05/16	Wednesday	12:00 PM	1:00 PM	Sports Day Picnic
25/05/16	Wednesday	1:30 PM	3:00 AM	Junior Sports Day
26/05/16	Thursday	3:20 PM	3:45 PM	Open Class - Ladybirds (Y4)
27/05/16	Friday			Term 5 Ends
06/06/16	Monday			INSET Day 4
07/06/16	Tuesday			Term 6 Begins
08/06/16	Wednesday			Reserve Sports Day
09/06/16	Thursday	12:00 PM	12:20 PM	Open Class - Bumblebees (Y6)
09/06/16	Thursday	12:20 PM	1:15 PM	YEAR 6 – Parent Lunch
16/06/16	Thursday	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	New Reception Parents Evening
27/06/16	Monday			FOCUS WEEK 3
30/06/16	Thursday	3:20 PM	3:45 PM	Open Class - Grasshoppers (Y2)
06/07/16	Wednesday	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Music Evening
07/07/16	Thursday	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	Year 1 Swimming Ends
08/07/16	Friday			Reports to Parents
20/07/16	Wednesday	7:00 PM	8:30 PM	Leavers Play
21/07/16	Thursday			Term 6 Ends
22/07/16	Friday			INSET Day 5

