



Charleston C of E Academy

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 15th March 2024

Dear Families,

This week, the school has been very quiet as the Year 5 and 6 children embarked on their residential trip. It looks like the children have had a wonderful week and we can't wait to hear all about it. For the remaining students of Croft Class, it's been a delightful opportunity to engage closely with their younger peers in Start Point, fostering a sense of friendship and collaboration for some sessions across the week. A heartfelt thank you extends to all the staff who have graciously taken on additional responsibilities and duties to ensure the smooth functioning of the school during this time. As the residential comes to an end, anticipation builds for next week when the entire school will reunite, bringing back the vibrant energy and excitement that fills the school when all students are present.



Dates for the Diary

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Beesands & Start Point

It has been a super week with some lovely opportunities to work with the children in Croft Class. Both classes have relished this time together.

This week as historians we have looked back at the coronation of King Charles 3rd sharing our memories and remembering what a significant event it was. We also looked at his family tree and we discussed how succession works.

London has been the focus of our geography lesson. As we explore this vibrant city, we note its human and physical features and its famous landmarks.

Amazing bridges have been designed and built this week. The children worked hard to follow their designs with much success.

Exploring magnets has been our focus in science and the EYFS children have also had the opportunity to explore magnetism with a fishing game that they added to with their own magnetic sea creatures.

We never miss an opportunity to cook on the open fire and this week was no exception. The smell of pancakes wafting through the air made our tummies rumble at forest school this week.

For our last forest school session in 2 weeks, could I ask that the children can each bring an egg into school with them on that day so we can cook them on the fire.

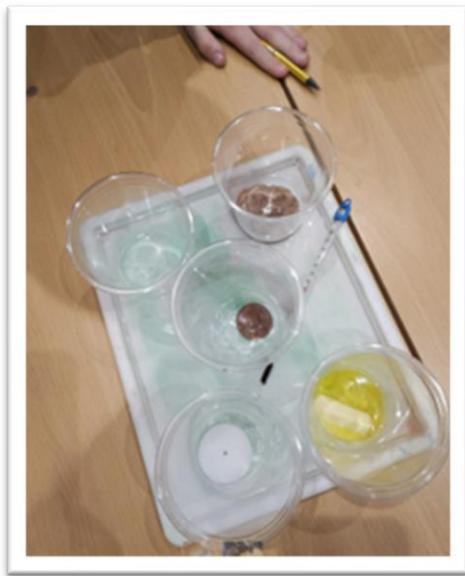


Croft

For those who remained in school, Croft class had an active start to the week, immersing themselves in PE lessons under the radiant Monday sunshine.

Later in the week, their scientific exploration took centre stage as they delved into the fascinating world of melting temperatures in their science class. With eager anticipation, they observed the transformations of different substances, deepening their understanding of physical properties and states of matter.

In mathematics, the class tackled some maths problems based on the hundred square and multiplication squares. Through discussions and perseverance, they not only found solutions but also meticulously developed and shared their problem-solving explanations with peers.



Attendance

Our attendance target is 98%

*Our whole school attendance is currently **95.6%***

Class attendance is currently:

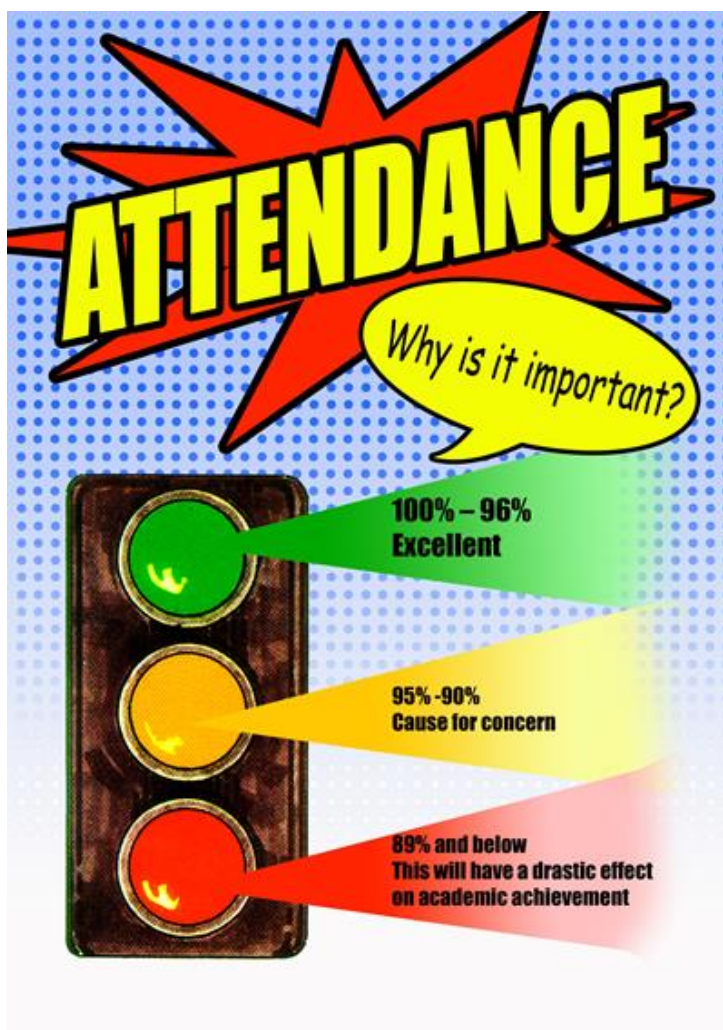
Start Point Attendance 95% Croft Attendance 96%

Is my child too ill for School?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, nursery or playgroup when they're unwell. If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school or

nursery on the first day. Let them know that your child won't be in and give them the reason. The link below has some useful information on when children should stay at home.

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/child-illness/school-absence/)



Home Learning – Start Point

Reading for KS1 and Reception. KS1 and EYFS children Can you find things around your home that are magnetic?

Home Learning - Croft

Continue to read at home as much as you can and regularly log onto TTRS for small chunks of learning.



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What's On

RYA OnBoard Sailing Lessons for local children aged 8-15 years, restarts at the end of March.

Half day Sailing lessons on weekends. Excellent opportunity for beginners. All under instruction and small group numbers. Safe, structured and a fun environment.

March to September (not including July or August). It's inexpensive too.

There's currently space on Saturday and Sunday mornings (afternoons are full).

Please email info@thewindproject.co.uk to register your interest.



THE WIND
PROJECT

ARE YOU A DAD OR GRANDAD?

Do you have the experience needed to help other families in your area?



We are searching for male volunteers, with parenting experience, to offer a helping hand and a listening ear, to families that need it most.

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Volunteers needed to support local families who need it most; to provide a listening ear, encouragement, signposting and support.



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