



# Charleston C of E Academy

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear families,

We are so delighted to have welcomed our children back to school for their first full week! They've returned with such enthusiasm, a love for learning, and a readiness to embrace our core values of friendship, respect, responsibility, and honesty. This half-term, as we reunite as a community, we are focusing on the value of friendship – exploring how we can show love and kindness within our school and beyond, in the wider community.

The children have truly impressed all their adults with their eagerness to learn and engage. It's wonderful to see them bring so much energy into their classrooms each day, making a positive impact on both their learning and their relationships with one another.

We are also pleased to share that our Start Point class had a wonderful trip this week! The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and it was lovely to see them excited by the show. Thank you to Mrs Carter for organising a successful trip so early in the term.

We would love to invite you into school to celebrate our Praise Worship on Monday, 16th September. This term, we will be holding our worship in the afternoon, so please join us at 2:50 PM to share in this special time together.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to an exciting and fulfilling term ahead!

Warm regards,

Mrs Ruston

### Dates for the Diary

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September- Premier sports PE lessons, breakfast and afterschool club resume

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September - Praise worship (2:50pm)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September- Forest School Sessions resume

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September Composting workshops for Start Point and Croft

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September – Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Half Term – 28th October to 1st November

### Calling all grown-ups!

Following on from the success of our careers week we would be delighted to welcome parents, carers and family members to enhance our curriculum by sharing skills and knowledge from their jobs or special interests. If you would be willing to support our learning in any of the areas below, please let a member of staff know.

Computer Networks

Health and Wellbeing

Human biology

Animals

Textiles

The water cycle and rivers

## Start Point

*Welcome back Start Point. It's been wonderful to hear all about your summer break and to welcome Percy and Ivy into the class fulltime. We have an exciting term ahead!*

*This week we went to see The Very Hungry Caterpillar puppet show at the Theatre*

*Royal. It was an amazing experience, and the coach ride wasn't bad either!*

*As historians, we have started to delve into the past with our local adventurer Sir Francis Drake (we hope to visit the replica of his ship in October so we will keep you informed). We have also been on a walk around the school looking for signs of Autumn as part of our Geography learning. As scientists, we thought about objects being alive and what criteria something has to have to be alive. The creation story is Year 1 & 2 focus of their RE learning and Reception children will be thinking about friendship as part of their RE learning. Forest School will resume next week so please look at the weather and bring in suitable clothing, it is quite damp now in the mornings so wellies will be needed.*



# Croft

Welcome back to Croft and we are so pleased to see what a positive attitude all the children have returned to school with. In English, we have been looking at the text 'The BFG' by Roald Dahl and the children appear to have enjoyed and written some amazing sentences in the style of Roald Dahl! We have also got off to a flying start in Maths on the topic of Place Value with the children all working incredibly hard and even going into the 'learning pit' to solve the tricky extension questions. In History, we have seen some lovely posters advertising a place on the ship The Windrush for workers to help re-build the infra-structure in Britain after World War II. We are also having a focus on handwriting this term and have seen some beautifully presented work – keep it up! As scientists, we have been learning about animals including humans. Year 3 and 4 got gooey when they recreated a digestive system and Year 5 and 6 were amazed at some of the gestation periods of different animals.

## Book review



This week, Abi from Croft class has made a book review about the book Warriors Firestar's Quest by Erin Hunter.

"I like the fact that it is a very gripping story and all the very funny names they make up are good. I wouldn't recommend it for younger children as it can be a little gory at times when they eat different animals. It is long but very enjoyable. I would like more of these books in the school library."

## Stars of the Week

Start Point's star of the week goes to Effie who has started this term with such great enthusiasm!

Croft's star of the week goes to Noah for taking great care in his handwriting & presentation in all his work.



## Values of the Week

In Start Point, George and Ruby for responsibility as our official door openers this half term.

In Croft, Primrose for the value of friendship. Primrose always helps everyone & has been extra kind to our new Y3s.



## Attendance

Our attendance target is 98%

Our whole school attendance is currently 97.1%

Class attendance is currently:

Start Point Attendance 89% Croft Attendance 100%

### Home Learning – Start Point

Reading for KS1 and Reception.

**Can you find a sign of Autumn to bring into school?**



### Home Learning – Croft

Continue to read at home as much as you can and regularly log onto TTRS for small chunks of learning. Remember to do the look, say, cover, say, write method for spellings.



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**YEAR 6  
OPEN MORNINGS**

**Thursday 26th September**

**Friday 11th October**

**9.30am to 11am**

*Parents, Carers and children welcome*

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