



Charleston C of E Academy

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 11th October 2024

Dear families,

This week, our children have been reflecting on the important topic of wellbeing and how they can take positive steps to improve their mental health. In worship, we explored five key ways to enhance wellbeing: connecting, being active, keeping learning, giving, and taking notice. Each of these areas plays a crucial role in fostering a healthy mind and body, and we encourage you to ask your children about what they've learned during worship this week to hear their understanding and insights.

To support these reflections, the children also took part in mindfulness activities this morning, which helped them practice being present, relaxing their minds, and managing their thoughts—skills that are beneficial for their emotional and mental wellbeing.

Today, Year 6 have an exciting and active day at the leisure center, participating in Junior Life Skills, followed by a refreshing swimming session. They not only had fun but also learned valuable safety and life skills.

Harvest Festival and Stars of the Week

Next Monday afternoon, we will be celebrating our Stars of the Week during our Harvest Festival at the church. We would love for you to join us for this special occasion if you can. As part of our celebration, we are also collecting tinned donations for our local food bank. Your generosity in supporting those in need is greatly appreciated.

Finally, a huge thank you to our PTA for their hard work and dedication in planning some exciting upcoming events, including the upcoming Autumn Disco! We are very grateful for all the time and effort they put into making these events memorable for the children.

Best wishes for a restful and mindful weekend!

Warm regards,

Mrs Ruston

Dates for the Diary

Friday 11th October (am) Junior Life Skills for Year 6

Friday 11th October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Monday 14th October at 2:30- Harvest Festival (St Marys)

Monday 14th October- Parent Consultations evening

Tuesday 15th October- Start Point trip to Golden Hind

Friday 18th October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Tuesday 22nd October- PTFA School Autumn Disco

Wednesday 23rd October- Parent Consultations evening

Friday 25th October – Year 5 & 6 Swimming

Half Term – 28th October to 1st November

Wednesday 11th December- Christmas Dinner (wear a Christmas jumper)

Thursday 12th December- Christmas Jumper day

Thursday 12th December- Start Point nativity (2:30 at St Marys)

Monday 16th December- Whole School Christmas Carols (2:30 in the school hall)

Start Point

Circumnavigation was the word we have been using to describe one of Sir Francis Drake's adventures that we have been exploring this week. New and fantastic creatures have been created by our scientists in Start Point as they learn about how animals adapt to their surroundings. In maths we have been learning to be systematic when finding all the number bonds to 10.

I have sent home 4 spellings for Year 1 and Year 2 to learn for a quiz next Friday. They will get new ones every week. Next week is very busy with our Harvest Festival on Monday and our trip to the Golden Hind on Tuesday. The children are so excited to be visiting a replica of Sir Francis Drake's ship and have been pretending to be explorers and made a ship in the playground!



Croft

Croft have continued with the theme of poetry by looking at Acrostic Poems, where the first letter of the first word on each line, spells a word vertically. The children have written their own Acrostic poems on Harvest and we have all been very impressed with their rich vocabulary, meter, rhyme and even some similes & alliteration! We hope to share as many as possible during the Harvest Service. In history, we have continued with the Windrush generation with the children researching and writing about one person from either the original Windrush generation or a subsequent generation. We were then treated to some great presentations by the children who all spoke confidently and had researched and analysed accurate and relevant information.

Stars of the Week

Start Point's star of the week goes to Wynne for working hard with his phonics.

Croft's star of the week goes to Salome for excellent work in English on her Harvest poem



Values of the Week

In Start Point, the value of Respect goes to Effie for her continued caring and respectful attitude toward children and the class resources.

In Croft, the values of Responsibility & Kindness go to Alfie for always showing the value of friendship and being responsible for editing & checking his spellings in English



Attendance

Our attendance target is 98%

Our whole school attendance is currently 93.5%

Class attendance is currently:

Start Point Attendance 92% Croft Attendance 94%

Home Learning – Start Point

Reading for KS1 and Reception.

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.



Autumn

Party

PTA Bar,
Refreshments,
Music

BOO

£2 ticket
£10 family

Oct 22nd - Charleton Village Hall
6pm-7.30pm

Prize for the
best costume