



# Charleston C of E Academy

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025

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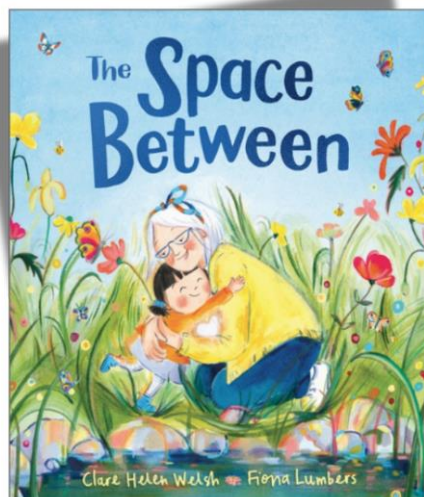
Dear families,

We have successfully navigated the wet and stormy conditions this week! Despite the challenging weather, we managed to squeeze in a short forest session for Start Point before having to cancel the remainder of the day. The children had a blast exploring the outdoors, even if it was just for a little while.

This week has been particularly exciting as Start Point enjoyed a wonderful weaving day. It was heartwarming to see Hazel class from West Alvington join us for the experience. The children worked together beautifully, creating lovely woven pieces and making new friends along the way. Their teamwork and creativity were truly inspiring!

Our Year 6 students are now looking very smart in their new hoodies, organised by the PTA. A big thank you to everyone involved in making this happen. The hoodies have certainly added a sense of pride and excitement amongst the children.

Looking ahead, we have an exciting event planned for next week. We are thrilled to welcome visiting author Claire Helen Welsh to speak to Start Point. She will be joining the children for an engaging author talk. There will also be an opportunity to purchase a book and have it signed by Claire herself. Miss Sutton has already sent out the details to Start Point families, so be sure to check your emails for more information.



As usual, we look forward to seeing you on Monday afternoon at 2:50 to celebrate our stars of the week. It's a wonderful opportunity to recognise the hard work and achievements of our students. Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community.

Have a great weekend!

### Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February – Start Point author visit

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February- NSPCC number day

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February- Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February- Forest School

### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February HALF TERM**

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March- Forest School

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March- Year 5 and 6 residential

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March- Forest School

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April- Forest School

### **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April Easter Holidays**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April- Non-Pupil Day**

## Start Point

*We have been exploring the oceans of the world learning about the different locations and sizes. Objects with different material were observed closely and we discussed why certain materials are used for different purposes. We invited the KS1 class at West Alvington over as we had the Devon Guild of weavers in on Wednesday to support our learning on weaving. The children had a wonderful day combining forest school and the weaving workshop. The children used different looms and even joined in making a human loom!*



## Croft

*As artists this week, we have been looking at the foreground, mid-ground and background when painting. During this lesson, we applied our knowledge of creating tints. As writers, we have been using all the skills we have learnt to complete our independent write on an animal that lives in a cold environment. We look forward to sharing some examples with you. As historians we have been looking at a variety of Primary and Secondary sources from the Stone Age and discussing what we think they may be and what they might have been used for. In French, we continue learning about habitats around the world. We have learnt this week about which animals live in each habitat.*



## Stars of the Week

*Start Point: Olivia for her amazing writing in phonics.*

*Croft: Alfie for his awesome effort in completing his homework speedily each week.*



## Values of the Week

*Oakley for the value of Responsibility with his super approach to his learning.*

*Tym for the value of Respect, always showing respectful and positive behaviours in the classroom.*



*In school, we uphold the four values of honesty, responsibility, respect and friendship. This half term, we have a focus on responsibility.*

## Attendance

*Our attendance target is 98%*

*Our whole school attendance is currently 95.5%*

*Class attendance is currently:*

*Start Point Attendance 96.1% Croft Attendance 95.5%*

## Home Learning – Start Point

Reading – Please read regularly with your child and record in their reading diary.

Spellings – Year 1 and Year 2 – Spelling quiz the following Friday

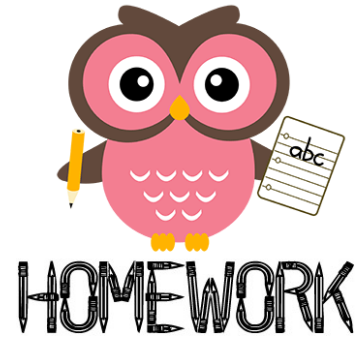
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## Home Learning – Craft

Complete the sheet sent home for Maths and Spellings.

Reading – Please read regularly with your child.



### NSPCC Number Day- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February

We will be celebrating all things numbers and learning about the work of NSPCC. During the day we will be having special assemblies and tasks to complete. We will also be having a special dressing up theme of 'numbers'.



How about decorating a plain t-shirt or wearing your favourite sports top with a number?



# Number Day

## Dress up for Digits 'Be Inspired'



Could you be a human calculator, dice, domino or playing card?



Have fun and Dress up for Digits!

#numberday

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