



Charleston C of E Academy

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 21st March 2025

Dear families,

We had a delightful start to the season as the children enjoyed the adventure playground during lunchtime. Their laughter and excitement truly marked the arrival of spring! It was wonderful to see them exploring and playing in the fresh air, making the most of the new season.

This week, we welcomed our SIAMS inspector, who evaluated how our school embodies its vision and values. The inspector spent time observing classes, talking to staff and students, some parents and our EAC members and reviewing our policies and practices. The report is currently being written, and we will share it with you as soon as it is available.

We are thrilled to provide more details about the launch of our free breakfast club, starting after Easter. The club will run every day from 8:00-8:30 AM for all children. This initiative aims to provide a nutritious start to the day, ensuring that every child is ready to learn and thrive. The booking system will go live on Monday, so please make sure to book in your children for any sessions you wish to use. We hope this will be a valuable resource for our families.

We are busy arranging key dates for some of our favorite events in the summer term. Some key dates have been added below and others will follow shortly so please mark them in your calendars. We look forward to celebrating these events with you and making wonderful memories together.

Finally, we look forward to welcoming you to our praise worship on Monday at 2:50 PM to celebrate this week's stars. It is always a joy to recognise the achievements and efforts of our students, and we hope you can join us for this special occasion.

Mrs Ruston

If you haven't followed our new Facebook page yet, please do! We regularly post photos that aren't shared anywhere else.

<https://www.facebook.com/CharlestonAcademyLAP/>



Keep an eye out for the Tesco Stronger Starts grant starting soon. This project will fund a polytunnel and gardening equipment to enhance our outdoor area, enabling us to grow produce and promote sustainable living within our school community. Please remember to vote for us when visiting Tesco.



Dates for the Diary

Thursday 27th March- Year 6 SATS meeting at 2:45 in the school hall
Monday 31st March- Ocean conservation trust workshops
Wednesday 2nd April- Forest School at FAB
Thursday 3rd April- Easter Service at St Mary's 2:30pm
Monday 7th April- Monday 21st April Easter Holidays
Tuesday 22nd April- Non-Pupil Day
Wednesday 23rd April- Free 30-minute daily breakfast club starts
Tuesday 29th April- Tempest Whole school photo and Year 6 photo
Monday 5th May- Bank Holiday
Monday 12th May- Thursday 15th May Year 5 SATS Week
Saturday 17th May- Charleton CofE Academy open morning
Monday 26th May- Friday 30th May- Half Term
Monday 2nd June- Friday 13th June- Year 4 Multiplication Check
Monday 2nd June- Tuesday 3rd June- Year 4 Forest and Beach residential
Wednesday 4th June- Croft class and eco club WOW (recycling) project day 1
Thursday 5th June- Year 6 Canoeing
Monday 9th June- Croft class and eco club WOW (recycling) project day 2
Monday 9th June- Friday 13th June- Phonics Screening Check Week
Friday 20th June- Coast to Coast water safety pool session (Year 5 and 6)
Monday 23rd June – Friday 27th June- Sports Week
Friday 27th June- Sports Day
Friday 4th July- Reserve Sports Day
Monday 7th July- Coast to Coast water safety Beach session (Year 5 and 6)
Friday 18th July- Whole School Beach Trip TBC
Tuesday 22nd July- Leavers Service at St Mary's at 2:00pm TBC
Wednesday 23rd July – Last day of term
Thursday 24th July- Summer Holidays start

Start Point

What an amazing day in Forest School! We cooked bonfire pizzas, went bug hunting, lit fires, made flags and badges. It was lovely to see the children working together to support each other in their activities.

As geographers, we used our prior learning about how animals adapt to their surroundings to explore animals living in cold countries. In D&T, the children designed

their space buggy with full production planned for next week, so if you have any small boxes or interesting things that can be glued onto the buggies, please bring them in. As mathematicians, we have finished our learning on multiplication and division and we will be starting to learn about measuring in cm and meters.



Croft

This week, Croft Class had an exciting time at Forest School! The students enjoyed making pizzas on the fire, which was a fun and delicious activity.

As scientists, Year 5 and 6 students explored the distance between planets. Using a trundle wheel, they measured out a scaled distance to create a model of the solar system. This hands-on activity helped them understand the vastness of space and the relative positions of the planets. Our Year 4 pupils continued to find out about sound.

In Religious Education, the class has been learning about the resurrection and the emotions Christians experience during Good Friday and Easter Sunday. They discussed the significance of these events and how they impact Christian beliefs and practices. On Friday, as well as Red Nose Day, we welcomed the charity Jay's AIM to learn all about CPR and how it can be vital in saving someone's life. The children were fully engaged and asked some brilliant questions.



Stars of the Week

Start Point- Ruby – for a great start in her independent writing task

Croft: Ella S – for showing great positivity towards her work and offering some great answers in Maths.



Values of the Week

Oakley – for the value of Friendship for helping others in forest school.

Ryan – for the value of responsibility for paying great attention during our CPR training.



Attendance

Our attendance target is 98%
Our whole school attendance is currently 95.4%

Class attendance is currently:
Start Point Attendance 96.8% Croft Attendance 95%

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

Start practising 2,3,5,10 times table



Home Learning – Croft

No homework this week due to the Y5&6 residential.

Y4s please make sure you log on to TTRS as much as possible in preparation for your MTC.

Reading – Please read regularly with your child.

