



**CHARLETON**  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

Dear Families,

It has been another busy and positive week in school, with lots of fantastic learning taking place across both classes.

This week, we were delighted to welcome members of our EAC who conducted a learning walk with a focus on the curriculum. They were very impressed with what they saw, particularly how focused the children were on their learning. They also enjoyed speaking with some of our pupils, who were able to talk confidently about their work and experiences in school.

On Thursday, our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils took part in a wonderful sporting afternoon at Thurlestone. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and represented the school brilliantly. A big thank you to Mrs Norton for organising such a successful event.

Croft Class have been busy thinking about sustainability this week. They spent time analysing our school waste, identifying where we are successful with recycling and considering what improvements we can make moving forward. This is such an important area, and it was great to see the children engaging so thoughtfully with the topic.

Looking ahead to next week, please note that there will be no Praise Worship as Croft Class will be visiting the zoo.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Ruston

Our Amazing PTFA are organising our summer raffle and are looking for some donations if you can help, please see the list below and pop any items into the school office.

We are hoping to put together some class hampers this year alongside any donated gifts from local businesses to go towards the Summer raffle. This will be drawn at this year's production of Peter Pan. This is always a lovely way to round off the year and help raise funds for the school towards any extra activities and resources next year.

A list of ideas for the hampers is below if you can help by donating something to the hampers then please tick of the item on the sheets which will be in the reception porch by the end of this week. If there is something not on the list that you would like to donate and already have that would also be welcomed.

Thank you so much for support.

Produce	Home/Self care
*Local jam *Local honey *Artisan chutney *Devon fudge *Local cider *Local beer *Alcohol free beer *Biscuits *Crackers *Devon cheese *Soft drinks *Crisps	*Hand cream *Scented candle *Bath salts *Bath bomb *Fluffy "spa socks" * Herbal tea relaxation box *Hot chocolate luxury sachets * *Body scrub *Luxury soap *Scented reed diffuser and essential oil *Tea towels *Storage jars *Candles *Room spray / linen spray *Small indoor plant or succulent *Biscuit tin *Eco cleaning brushes etc

### Dates for your Diary

- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June- KS2 Dartmoor Zoo trip
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June- Startpoint welly walk
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June- Rescheduled cricket tournament
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June- Year 5 Summer sports festival at KCC
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June- Forest School
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June- Sports day
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July- Year 6 transition day
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July- Forest School
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July- Year 6 Canoeing
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July- Beach Day at South Milton
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July- Play performance (day and evening performance)
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July- Leavers service 2pm
- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July- Last day of term**



### Library Visit – Summer Term

We are excited to share that we are planning a trip to the library during the summer term. As part of this visit, **every child will receive a free library card** to use for borrowing books.

To set this up, we just need a section of a permission form to be signed by parents or carers. The forms are kept in school, so please **ask a member of staff** if you would like to take one home, or you are welcome to **sign the form in school** instead.

We are looking forward to a wonderful visit that encourages a love of reading!

### Start Point (Reception – Year 2)

This week we had a fantastic time at Forest School. The children showed great independence by building their own fires and then enjoyed making delicious hot chocolate to keep warm. They also had lots of fun relaxing in the hammocks – even trying them out upside down! While exploring the garden, we discovered some slow worms hiding under metal sheets, which sparked lots of curiosity and excitement.

In Geography, we have been learning about Australia and its famous landmarks. The children explored key features such as the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Great Barrier Reef, developing their understanding of the world beyond the UK.

We also began our new Design and Technology topic, where we will be making fruit smoothies. The children started to think about where fruit comes from and how it is grown, building a foundation for our upcoming practical work.



## Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)

We have had a splendid and very varied week in Croft class this week. In Forest School this week we made hot chocolate over the fire using a Kelly kettle. We also dug up the flower beds in preparation to plant some more flowers and vegetables.

We have really enjoyed play rehearsals and cannot wait to see how it all comes together at the end of the year. The grown-ups have been very impressed so far with how seriously the class have been taking their roles.

In Science we made fossils out of plasticine and have been learning about Charles Darwin and theory of evolution. This has been really interesting, particularly to listen to an alternative perspective on the Creation Theory from Christianity in RE, sparking some fascinating discussion topics.

In English we are starting to write up our non-chronological report about one of the Seven Summits. We are thinking carefully about including technical vocabulary, using facts and statistics and writing in a formal tone throughout. It will be great to see their writing come together when the children write up their work in neat next week.



On Thursday we completed a follow up Waste Audit, to see if there was any improvement on the amount of waste and recycling we collected around the same time last year. All the children really got stuck in (with gloves on) and did a great job sorted through all the rubbish collected from the bins throughout the school. We were very pleased to see that we made some great progress and look forward to implementing our ideas for how this can continue into the future.







## Congratulations to our Stars of the Week

	<b>Star of the Week</b> 	<b>Value of the Week</b> 
<b>Start Point (Year R- Year 2)</b>	<p>Wynne for consistently showing a brilliant attitude to learning and pushing yourself further, particularly in your excellent history work.</p>	<p>Ivy and Percy for demonstrating responsibility by approaching the phonics check with focus, confidence, and a positive attitude.</p>

<b>Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)</b>	Max for always being a kind, polite and considerate member of the class and going out of her way to offer to help others.	Ella for constantly showing the value of friendship, particularly in the Waste Audit by really getting stuck in and helping others.
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## Attendance



The attendance this week can be seen on the table below.

<b>Whole school attendance (Target 98%)</b>	95.5%
<b>Start Point (Year R- Year 2)</b>	94.1%
<b>Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)</b>	96.3%

## Home learning

<b>Start Point (Year R- Year 2)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Spellings to practice at home</li> <li>- Reading</li> </ul>
<b>Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Rollama – Spelling &amp; Grammar website</li> <li>- Reading at least 4 times each week.</li> <li>- Times Tables Rockstars.</li> <li>- Spellings.</li> <li>- Year 6 have CPG books, also question/activity packs for Maths and Spelling &amp; Grammar sent home.</li> </ul>

