



**CHARLETON**  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

Dear Families,

We hope you all had a lovely half term and were able to enjoy the wonderful sunshine. It was certainly a beautiful break, and we hope you had the chance to spend some quality time together.

A very special congratulations to Mrs Quick, who got married over the half term! She had the most wonderful day, and we wish her every happiness in this exciting new chapter.



This week, the children have been busy settling into the final half term of the year. There has already been a lovely buzz around the school, with exciting and engaging learning taking place in every class. It's fantastic to see such enthusiasm as we head into the last few weeks.

The children are also very excited to begin practising for their play. We are looking forward to seeing their hard work come together over the coming weeks—it promises to be a real highlight of the term!

We look forward to welcoming you on Monday at 2:45pm for our Praise Worship, where we will celebrate our Stars of the Week.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

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
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Local jam Local honey</li> <li>*Artisan chutney</li> <li>*Devon fudge</li> <li>*Local cider</li> <li>*Local beer</li> <li>*Alcohol free beer</li> <li>*Biscuits</li> <li>*Crackers</li> <li>*Devon cheese</li> <li>*Soft drinks</li> <li>*Crisps</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Hand cream</li> <li>*Scented candle</li> <li>*Bath salts</li> <li>*Bath bomb</li> <li>*Fluffy "spa socks"</li> <li>* Herbal tea relaxation box</li> <li>*Hot chocolate luxury sachets *</li> <li>*Body scrub</li> <li>*Luxury soap</li> <li>*Scented reed diffuser and essential oil</li> <li>*Tea towels</li> <li>*Storage jars</li> <li>*Candles</li> <li>*Room spray / linen spray</li> <li>*Small indoor plant or succulent</li> <li>*Biscuit tin</li> <li>*Eco cleaning brushes etc</li> </ul>

### Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June- Forest School  
 Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June- Year 5 and 6 Sports afternoon @ Thurlestone  
     Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June- Picnic day  
 Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June- KS2 Dartmoor Zoo trip  
 Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June- Great Science share  
 Thursday 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)

We have had a fantastic first week back at school, and it has been wonderful to see everyone so settled, enthusiastic, and ready to learn!

In History, we have been exploring the life of Samuel Pepys, who famously kept a diary during the Great Fire of London. Inspired by his writing, the children showed great imagination and creativity as they wrote their own diary entries, imagining they were Samuel Pepys witnessing the dramatic events.

In Science, we made the most of the outdoors by going on a leaf hunt. The children carefully collected and then grouped the leaves in different ways, developing their observation and classification skills.

Keeping active has also been a big part of our week. During whole-school fitness, the children enjoyed playing a variety of ball games in teams, and in PE we have begun practising for our upcoming Sports Day—lots of excitement and teamwork already!

In Reception, the children have been thinking about special stories in RE. They especially enjoyed a fun and engaging activity where they had to guess what was hidden inside a mysterious feely bag!

Mrs Quick 😊



### Croft (Year 3 -Year 6)

We have had a great first week back and have enjoyed sharing our trips and activities from half term.

In English, we have continued to learn about Mount Everest as we prepare to write our own non-chronological reports. We have been collecting high-level vocabulary to describe the amazing height and length of the Himalayan mountain range and enjoyed finding out about how a theodolite can be used to measure the height of towering mountain peaks.

Year 3 have been learning about measures in maths. We have been adding and subtracting mass (in grams and kilograms) and reading scales on measuring equipment. Year 5 and 6 have been solving problems on coordinate grids and translating shapes and points to different positions. This topic is developed at secondary school so is really useful learning as the Year 6's start their final half term at Charleton.



In science, Year 5 and 6 made their own fossils using imprints of shells in plasticine that were filled with Plaster of Paris. It was a race against time before the plaster mixture set! We had some great results, as you can see.

Alongside Start Point, we have started to learn our songs for the end of year production, 'Peter Pan'. It was lovely to see everyone practising these with so much enthusiasm. We are very excited about the performance in July... not long to go!

Mrs. Trought



*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>Percy for being incredibly quick and confident when working with fractions, and for tackling tricky problems with determination and skill.</p> <p>You have shown fantastic problem-solving abilities— well done! 🙌</p>	<p>Ivy for consistently showing kindness and friendship in school, always including others, offering help when it is needed, and being a thoughtful and caring member of our class. Well done for being such a wonderful friend! 🙌</p>
<b>Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)</b>	<p>Phoebe for returning to school with a really positive attitude and focusing well in all subject areas. You have produced some great work this week and made super contributions to class discussions- well done!</p>	<p>Noah and Rocco for showing kindness to each other and to everyone in Croft. You have both noticed lots of opportunities to help and support your friends and adults this week. Thank you and well done for being such positive role-models!</p>

## 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>