



**CHARLETON**  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

**Friday 20th March 2026**

Dear Families,

It has been so wonderful to see the sunshine this week and to finally feel a little warmth in the air. The children have absolutely loved being outdoors, and Forest School has been as full of fun and adventure as ever. Start Point enjoyed a fantastic trip on the train to the Tamar Bridge. The staff were so impressed with the children's enthusiasm, curiosity, and excellent behaviour throughout the day.

In school, our Year 6 pupils have been working hard as they complete their final rounds of SATs practice. We are incredibly proud of their determination and the positive attitudes they continue to show.

A big thank you to all the parents who joined us on Monday for our meeting to discuss the school structure. We truly appreciate your time, thoughts and ideas as we continue to shape the future of our school together.

Looking ahead to next week:

- On Monday, we look forward to welcoming you to our Praise Worship as normal. During this time, we will be sharing a short slideshow of the Year 5 and 6 residential.
- On Thursday afternoon, we warmly invite you to join us at St Mary's for our Easter Service. We hope it will be a special moment to come together as a school community before the end of term.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, and we look forward to seeing you in school next week.

Warm regards,

Mrs Ruston

#### **Dates for your Diary**

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March- Easter service at St Marys @ 2:40pm  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March- Music performances during Praise assembly  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April- Forest School  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April- Last day of Term  
**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April- Easter Holidays**  
**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April- Non-Pupil Day**  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April- First day of term

**Start Point (Reception – Year 2)**

We have had a wonderfully busy and exciting week in school! As part of Science Week, the children explored a range of scientific ideas and even carried out some hands-on experiments during Forest School. We thought about food chains, food webs, and different bird habitats, using the natural environment to help us understand how living things depend on one another.

Last week, while we were at West Alvington, the children proudly completed their bridge projects. The finished bridges look absolutely amazing — a real celebration of their creativity, teamwork, and problem-solving skills.

On Monday, we enjoyed a fantastic trip on the train to Tamar Bridge. The children were fascinated as they walked across the bridge and learned all about how it was built. It was a memorable experience that linked brilliantly with our design and technology work.



### **Croft (Year 3 -Year 6)**

In Forest School this week we made flatbread, we used flour and water to make them and cooked them on the fire. We could then choose a topping of jam or honey or to enjoy them plain.

In French, we are learning about the weather and how to say certain phrases involving weather forecasts. We also have learnt the compass points and also the days of the week.



As writers we finished our independent writing, to finish the chapter of 'The Nowhere Emporium'. The children have worked really hard to get these finished, especially with the break last week of the Residential. Hopefully we can share some with you at Praise Worship.

In his week's Y3 science lesson, we were finding out about how and why liquids change state and become solids. We froze milkshake to make delicious ice-cream! Y5&Y6 have been learning about Electricity in Science this week. They were testing the volume of buzzers and how they

change due to the amount of voltage. We have always been working together on some Science Week activities, it was great to see how we worked together as a team.



*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>	Forest for his amazing maths and always working so hard to solve a problem!	Wynne for showing the value of respect and always being a good listener.
<b>Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)</b>	Holly for showing a big improvement with her recent SATs results.	Ryan for showing the value responsibility towards his learning, particularly SATs preparation.

## Attendance

### How close is your child to 100% attendance?

Number of days off school a year	Percentage attendance	Number of lessons missed	Level of concern
<b>0 days</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Perfection</b>
<b>2 days</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>10 lessons</b>	<b>Excellent</b>
<b>5 days</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>25 lessons</b>	<b>Good</b>
<b>10 days</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>50 lessons</b>	<b>Slight concern</b>
<b>20 days</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>100 lessons</b>	<b>Concern</b>
<b>30 days</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>150 lessons</b>	<b>Significant concern</b>

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Thank you for all your efforts to maximise the children's attendance.

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

<b>Whole school attendance (Target 98%)</b>	95.2%
<b>Start Point (Year R- Year 2)</b>	93.9%
<b>Croft (Year 3 - Year 6)</b>	95.9%

**A note from Mrs Dugard for you to be aware of:**

We've been made aware of a **WhatsApp group called "Add everybody you know"** that is circulating inappropriate content, including explicit images, memes and videos.

Unfortunately, some children from our school communities may be part of this group.

There are many potential safeguarding risks associated with this WhatsApp group, including:


- Unmoderated content being shared, which may be inappropriate or harmful.
- Exposure of personal information of children and young people to unknown individuals.
- Potential grooming or exploitation risks due to the open and indiscriminate nature of the group.

We strongly advise that you:

- Check your child's WhatsApp today to ensure that they are not part of this group. If they are, remove them immediately

Thank you for your support in keeping our children safe online.

### 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>