

Dear Parents,

As we come to the end of our first full week, we have now had a chance to experience all the new routines of the new classes. It was lovely to see many of you at the welcome meetings this week. The slides from the meeting and the class newsletters for this term will be sent out today too.

I was able to visit all the classes at different points of the week and join them in their learning, A particular treat was the music lessons in Year 3&4 and Year 5&6 who were singing 'Mamma Mia' and 'Living on a Prayer', I could hear the singing from the playground and my office!

Reverend Lisa also joined us this week for our collective worship on Thursday where she spoke to the children about Love. We also discussed the story of the lost sheep as we thought about how everyone is loved and valued.

The teachers have been working on putting together key diarry dates for this term and planning trips, sporting events and other wow moments for the year. Please see the diary dates below. Any more dates we add will be underlined and in bold. More information on the different events will be sent out in due course.



This week has also been the start of lunch time clubs with lots of children enjoying Harry Potter club, Zumba, Netball and Games club as well as getting some football coaching. Afterschool clubs have also started with football club on a Monday and Activators club on a Thursday. Please remember to book these afterschool sessions through the usual booking for CAST sessions.

If you have any questions about the clubs or any other query, please contact the school office at parents@charltonono.co.uk.

Wishing you all a restful weekend,

Nadia Gosling



### **Headteacher Award**

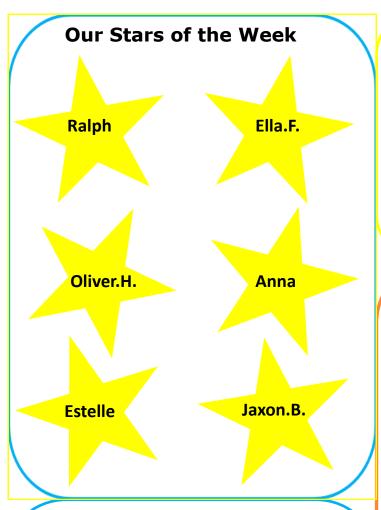
Matilda & Amelia Well Done!



## **Eco council News...Exciting News!!**

We are very proud to share that we have been awarded the Eco Schools Green Flag award for a second year.

A big thank you to all the children, staff, parents and the community who supported us. We have already registered for this academic year, so call upon your support once again to help us with more exciting projects and raising awareness around eco issues. A new eco council will be formed, and the children have been invited to volunteer themselves as a year group representative. They can do this by giving a short speech to their class sharing their reasons why they would make a good councillor. The children in their year group will vote for their representative. An exciting year ahead.



#### **Diary dates**

20th September Parents Forum 2:45
26<sup>th</sup> September Flu Vaccination programme
29th September Harvest Service in church
3rd October Harvest Tea at school
4th October Year 5/6 Victorian day at school
9<sup>th</sup> October Photos - Individual portraits
18<sup>th</sup> October Drama worship Reception -Year 4
18<sup>th</sup> October - Parents evenings 5-7
19<sup>th</sup> October—Parents evenings 3:30 – 5:30
20<sup>th</sup> October End of term

10th November Remembrance service at school

15th December Reception – Year 6 Panto trip

18th December 2pm Christmas Service featuring the FSU Nativity in Church.

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## **Class Attendance Winner**

This week's best attended class is FSU, Year 3&4, Year 5&6 with:

# 100% attendance Whole school attendance 99%

Also, Well done to everyone for getting into school at 08:45. It makes such a difference!

#### **Breakfast Club & CAST**

Drop & Play: Mon-Fri 8.15am-8.45am 8:30am—8:45am Breakfast club: Mon-Fri 7.50am-8.45am

CAST times: Mon-Thurs 3.15pm-4.15pm or 3.15pm-5.30pm.

CAST mobile no: 07395182892

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club, Drop & Play or CAST, please book a place using the app.

All clubs are open to Reception through to Year 6 children only. If you could please try to get your clubs booked by Sunday for the week ahead, so that snacks can be arranged. As our numbers are increasing, we may not be able to accept last minute bookings due to the adult ratio's required.

Please also be mindful of pick up times, if you are late picking up your child you will be charged for the later session.

## **Notes to all Parents/Carers:**

- Week 3 School dinners—there is an amendment to Wednesday 20th Sept, Pork Loin will be served instead of the Pork Sausages, the vegetarian option of Quorn Sausage will remain the same.
- Can parents/carers at school pick up please come in and on to the playground to collect your child.
- Please be mindful of your parking at drop off and pick up's, with no parking on yellow lines or near the junctions.

#### **FSU**

FSU have been thinking about their feelings this week and relating them to colours inspired by the story book: The Colour Monster. In the Creation Area, the children all had a go at mixing colours to see what would happen. At this stage of term there are lots of activities to develop the prime areas of learning, essential to children's healthy and successful development. (Communication and Language; Personal, Social and Emotional Development; and Physical Development.)





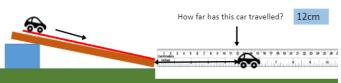




## Year 3 & 4

Year 3&4 have had a great week. A highlight has been carrying out science investigations in groups - the children had to test the friction of different surfaces by rolling a toy car down a ramp on different surfaces and measuring how far the car travels. We have also dived deep into our history topic of Monarchy by conducting research and creating fact files about a British monarch of their choice.

Use a ruler, metre stick or tape measure to measure the distance accurately



#### Year 1 & 2

Year 1/2 have been getting stuck in with lots of new topics this week. We had our first science lesson where we tried to match child pictures to adult pictures around the room, they got them all correct!

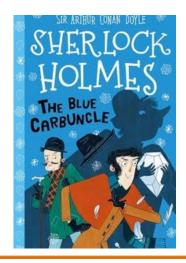
As well as this we began our history topic of toys. We were all amazed to find out that the record for a rubix cube to be completed is a shocking 3.13 seconds! I wonder if anyone from Charlton-On-Otmoor can beat that? The children have enjoyed using our maths apparatus to help with their maths tasks, it has been lovely to see them all so engaged.





## Year 5 & 6

Year 5 and 6 have had an exciting week with the start of our Victorian topic. We have found out about the Industrial Revolution and debated which was the most important factor in this period of change. As well, our first Sherlock Holmes mystery has been really popular, with everyone guessing the suspects and coming up with their own ideas!



## Safeguarding

Please contact Mrs Clarke or Mrs Gosling should you have any safeguarding concerns.