



Weekly Bulletin

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Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Another week of lockdown has been and is almost done. It can't be just me who feels like it has been a lot longer than just 3 school weeks. Whatever your family circumstances are, whether you are furloughed, working from home, continuing your role as a key worker, or looking after your family from home, I hope this newsletter finds you safe and well.

These are challenging times for us all in many, many ways. We will get through this! Love and best wishes to all of our school community from me and all of the Carlton Primary School team.

Special thoughts to all of the people in our community and wider afield who have the worries of potential flooding to contend with, in what is already a difficult time.

This week in school:

- We have had even more children in this week and are reaching a sensible 'safe' capacity – we continue to support the children of key workers and other 'spotlight' children (children with other needs, including Education Health Care plans). The Department for Education (DfE) guidance remains the same; parents of **key workers should keep their children at home where they can.**
- We have also secured and issued vouchers for Free School Meals for all eligible children who are not attending school.
- We have continued to support families with devices and internet support where we can, within our limited resources. If this is an issue for you please do get in touch and we will do all we can to support you.

A HUGE thank you to Carolyn Lund and our generous community. Carolyn used Facebook last weekend to launch an appeal for laptops/devices from the local community. People have been generous in both actual resources and also time. More to follow on this next week! This generosity and kindness are much appreciated.

Special Mentions and celebration assembly:

Each week I am recording a short special mentions assembly. **Please see the link below for today's special mention's assembly:**

<https://youtu.be/MxrualsnGX4>

As always, a sincere message of thanks to all of our school community. Thanks to our families who have been engaging with us, accessing the children's work on the blogs, participating in live lessons, sending emails and work to their class teachers etc. We really appreciate your efforts.

A huge thank you to my staff team. This week we have been offering live lessons across each year group/class and that have been so well received. Well done to all of my team for their constant reflection, determination and positivity to overcome challenges (usually technical) in this new period for education.

Reminders:

- Please try your best to support your child in completing their set work each and every day. This also applies to the Key worker children, on the days the children are not in school they should also be completing the set work from home.
- A reminder to all families/ children who are attending school in this lockdown period that we are expecting children to wear their full school uniform. It more than fine to have an additional layer for cold days, but usual uniform must still be worn.
- I have had feedback from a member the local community who is concerned with the lack of social distancing of parents when they arrive at school. I am on the gate most morning and have not personally seen an issue with this, but could I encourage all of our community to be sensible in their actions, keeping social distance in and around school, to help keep everyone safe.

Have a good weekend everyone. Keep safe.

Kind regards

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