



# Weekly Bulletin

Term 2 Week 5 : Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2020

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Welcome as always to our weekly newsletter. I hope as ever, this parentmail finds you and your loved ones well.

I know that so many people are finding this difficult period challenging. For us all, I do honestly believe that a little extra day light, and hope of better weather being on the horizon will also help give us all a boost.

We have had a number of families recovering from Covid cases. We wish everyone affected well with their respective speedy and full recoveries.

In school we are now up to almost 40% pupil take up. This is challenging for the school team, but we continue to do our very best for children in and out of school at this time. I know of two local schools who have had several bubble closures this week, which again reminds us just how fragile things are. **Lets all keep doing our bit to keep safe, by socially distancing, wearing masks and following all of the restrictions and rules in place!**

## Reflections:

I think that the sad passing of Sir Captain Tom this week was really poignant. Whist incredibly sad that he passed away, the positive impact and amazing attitude that Captain Tom demonstrated in his 100<sup>th</sup> year is inspiring and uplifting to us all. His legacy will live on and he will be remembered for shining in the darkness.

For anyone who is struggling do reach out to people – never be alone. There is always someone to talk to safely, via the amazing technology we generally possess.



### Special mentions & Celebrations:

I would like to say a big thank you to all of the parents and grandparents out there doing their very best. Also, a huge well done to all of the children of our school. We can't wait to have you all back in. Keep doing your best and try to shine each and every day!

I have spent some time looking through our class blogs this week and it is wonderful to see how much effort, work and time is being spent by pupils and staff alike. Well done all!

Today special mentions assembly can be found by clicking these 2 links – it comes in two parts this week because of some technical issues and interruptions!

I hope you enjoy watching! It is great we are still managing to spot and praise the people who are shining above and beyond! Well done to everyone for their special mentions this week.

Part 1 : <https://youtu.be/N1Irijp4Siw>

Part 2 : <https://youtu.be/kFMawUsUe8o>

### Goodbye and good Luck to Mrs Scrafton

Sadly, next week will be the last week at Carlton Primary School for Mrs Scrafton. Mrs Scrafton has been a huge asset to the school over the last three years and has contributed so much to the development of our school in her role of School Business Manager. In partnership with our school Governors, myself as Headteacher, and other colleagues, she has worked incredibly hard to help us on our school journey. Her financial know how, attention to detail for all things premises and health and safety related, combined with her caring, child/team centred approach have been excellent. On a personal, professional level Mrs Scrafton's loyal support and positive impact has been incredible. I know I certainly won't be the only person to miss her greatly.

Mrs Scrafton is taking a career break and plans to prioritise spending some more time with her family. We wish her all of the happiness for the next chapter. Mrs Scrafton will be missed but will always be warmly welcome at Carlton Primary School!

Thank you so much for all of your efforts and contributions. Good luck Mrs Scrafton!

### Other news

- I am delighted to share with you that the wonderful **Friends of Carlton** have purchased a brilliant set of 20 glockenspiels for the school. This will be brilliant for whole classes to have access to in music lessons. This is one of the ways that you, via the support of Friends events, help improve things for the children of our school. Thank you friends!



- SORA - reading app for children. Mrs Pierce has spent time sourcing and organising a brilliant additional reading facility for you to use. Please see attached sheet for more information. You simply log on and can access ebooks! It seems a wonderful way for children to have access to quality texts and we are looking forward to it being used lots by everyone. Please to check it out! It seems a perfect time to launch this app seen as it is national story telling week!
- Our Governing Board met this week, the first time as 'Carlton Primary School' since we converted to an academy with Selby Educational Trust.

Next week is the final week of the half term - our 6<sup>th</sup> week of this lockdown.

As a special part of this week I am excited to announce that we are having 'Well-being Wednesday'. Teachers will be providing more information about this on their classblogs but basically we are very keen to mix things up sometimes, ensure we have variety of activities and also take a much needed break from screens. I know in my own house, my girls are on screen for their learning as well as for some of their leisure and contact with friends. We want to have a day away from screens! More to follow! I hope this will give everyone a boost!

I think it is important to note, like I mentioned last week, we will not be setting any homework for Half term – I think staff, parents and pupils all need a break from home learning!

Again, as always, thank you for your support of our school – it is especially appreciated in these times. **Have a good weekend everyone. Keep safe.**

*Kind regards*

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