

Weekly Bulletin

Term 3 Week 5: Friday 14th April 2021

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This week has been yet another fascinating and enjoyable one at Carlton Primary School. It has been a really positive week in school with so much happening.

I am delighted to welcome a new family to school this week – we hope you are really happy in Carlton and at our very special school.

<u>Carlton Time Capsule</u>

This morning I had the pleasure of taking a group of our Year 6 pupils from our Red Kites class to the grounds of St Mary's Church, to pass on a time capsule we have created from school.



Archaeologist Rebecca Watkins, from the not for profit organisation called DREAM HERITAGE contacted school recently to ask if as a school we wanted to be involved in creating a time capsule. Rebecca has been leading the archaeological dig at Carlton Parish Church. We were delighted to contribute to this piece of local history. I put together a pack

of information about our school and each class wrote a letter to be included. I wonder who will open our box from 2021 in the years to come?

If you would like to see more about this exciting event please watch this short video about our time capsule: https://youtu.be/SMWB7xKqxOk

This is the video that Rebecca shared with us that all of the children in school have watched: https://youtu.be/b4tb2UGMC0k.

<u>Special mentions assembly:</u> Here is the link for today's celebration special mention assembly – please do watch it at home! : https://youtu.be/zrSQ2-jyCM0

Fundraising for a special and brilliant pupil – technical support for Noah.

Many of you will know our very own brilliant Noah F in Year 2. Noah has significant medical needs and in the next few weeks and months we will beginning, in partnership and conjunction with his family, some fundraising. The money raised will be used to purchase (and for the running costs of) an amazing piece of technology that will help Noah access school wherever he is – whether at home or when he has periods in hospital.

More to follow on this, but I wanted to give you advance notice of this and information about our first simple event – a non-uniform day for the last day of term. (Friday 29th May 2021). We will be asking for donations (eg: a usual suggested amount of £1 but would greatly welcome more.)

Mrs Burton (and Mrs Smith) along with Noah's family have been busy organising and trying the robot (who is currently on rental) who will be Noah eyes and ears in the class even when he can't be in school because of medical issues. We think it will be amazing!

Other news, information and reminders:

- Please check out the <u>art competition</u> information from Rev Becky (attached and sent out earlier in week) – it would be great to have lots of entries!
- <u>Wood</u> If anyone would like to discuss with me about arranging collection of wood (good quality fire wood) that could be used for a wood burner or similar please get in touch via the school office. After some recent improvement works we have lots of wood to give away otherwise it is going in a skip!
- A reminder to all parents to please take care when moving around our school community at start and end of day. There have been reports of 'near misses' for children and parents alike as people parking poorly, or people stepping out onto roads when it is not safe to do so. Lets all take care and look out for each other.

Attendance and holidays

Please see this information released yesterday from the Department of Education:

Summer term attendance expectations for schools. School attendance continues to be mandatory for all pupils and the usual rules on school attendance apply. This includes parents' duty to ensure their child regularly attends school, and schools' and local authorities' ability to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices, for poor attendance.

We expect schools and local authorities to continue to communicate clear expectations around attendance to families, identify pupils at risk of disengagement and develop plans to re-engage them.

As restrictions begin to lift, we know some families may be looking to take holidays during term time. As usual, parents should plan their holidays around school breaks and avoid seeking permission to take their children out of school on holiday.

I look forward to everyone's full support with this approach.

Thanks for taking time to read this newsletter and for your continued support of our school.

Have a great weekend everyone!

Kind regards Keep safe

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