



# Weekly Bulletin

Term 3 Week 3 : Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021

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Welcome to this week's newsletter. Sorry this newsletter is a little later in the day than usual.

Thank you for taking time to read our updates and for showing interest in our school. Your support is valued and appreciated! As always we hope you and all of your loved ones are safe and well.

This week I have been learning all sorts of new things in school, ranging from more about Google to the name of a Roman Rowing boat (quinquereme), showing that you are never too old to learn new things! I have enjoyed seeing the children excited about their learning, from story writing to weighing, and artwork to outdoor learning. A super week in school. Well done everyone!

## Turn On the Subtitles

I read a really interesting article this week that mentioned [turnonthesubtitles.org](http://turnonthesubtitles.org) (TOTS) and I encourage you to take a look at their website. The campaign is endorsed by many celebrities, including Sandi Toksvig, Stephen Fry, Rachel Riley and Sir Lenny Henry. The campaign highlights that turning on the subtitles while children are watching television can double the chances of a child becoming good at reading – this is based on an academic study of 2,350 children, where 34% became good readers with schooling alone but when exposed to 30 minutes a week of subtitled film songs, that proportion more than doubled to 70%. There is a dedicated [research page](#) on the website with more information. What a superb way of improving reading! Please do try it! I did this last night in my home for my girls. Well worth a try!

Read more at: <https://turnonthesubtitles.org/research/>

## Celebration and Special Mentions assembly

If you haven't already seen it, today's celebration assembly can be viewed at:

[\(24\) Celebration Assembly 30th April 2021 - YouTube](#)

## Staffing Updates

As I informed you last week, today was a bittersweet day. We sadly said 'goodbye and Good luck' to our wonderful Teaching Assistant and Forest School lead Mrs Gay.

Covid has affected so many things, and one of my biggest frustrations in school as result has been not being able to bring the whole school together for special times like today. However, we managed an upper

bubble outdoor assembly for Mrs Gay to thank her and wish her well for the next chapter. We shared cards gifts and a special Red Book entry (which you can hear/see again repeated within the Celebration assembly clip above ). Red Kite class enjoyed an outdoor afternoon together, including a barbecue and aboriginal art to end the day in style.

Mrs Gay has been an amazing member of the Carlton Team and had contributed so much in her time with us, whether in the classroom or outdoors. We wish her and her family all the best for their move and new chapter! She will be missed greatly here at Carlton, by us all. Thanks for all you have contributed Mrs Gay!

Last week we welcomed Mrs Barrick to the school team, joining the Peregrine team 2 days a week. From next week we welcome Mrs Dunwell to the school team too. Mrs Dunwell will be joining the Red Kite class as Teaching Assistant five mornings a week, as well as supporting in the upper bubble at other times in the afternoon. Welcome to the team Mrs Dunwell!

Other news & Reminders:

- School is closed on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - it is the Bank Holiday Monday! Children return on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021
- Year 5 and Year 6 children will be swimming on Tuesday as usual
- Please do refer to the Homework parent mail sent out yesterday or check the information on our website ,re our expectations : [Class Blogs & Homework – Carlton Primary \(selby.ac.uk\)](https://www.selby.ac.uk/class-blogs-and-homework)  
Thank you to all who have made payments for support of this curriculum area – and a polite reminder to others to please do so if you have not already. Thanks
- Forest Schools will not be happening next week – other than for the Year 4 children from peregrine class on Tuesday afternoon.
- Simon Carson Sports are running an after school club on a Monday for any pupil in Red Kite and Peregrine. If you wish for your child to take part there are still a few remaining places available – please contact the school office for more information
- Please see the attached flyer for a current vacancy on the Carlton Parish Council, should you wish to get involved and help make a difference to your community. I enjoyed representing school in attending the annual Carlton Parish meeting on Monday evening.

Social media – Following Carlton Primary School . Please do follow our school on social media - on Twitter: by searching for [CarltonPS SET](https://twitter.com/CarltonPS_SET) and Facebook [Carlton PrimarySchool | Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/CarltonPrimarySchool) This is of course in addition to our new website: [Carlton Primary \(selby.ac.uk\)](https://www.selby.ac.uk)

Have a great long weekend everyone!

Kind regards  
Keep safe

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