

Weekly Bulletin

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A Merry Christmas from Carlton Primary School

Welcome to the final newsletter of the term and of 2021. It has been a really busy, enjoyable and successful term in school, with this last week of term being no exception.

2021 has also had its' share of challenges, particularly with the contining impact of the Covid pandemic, and the recent spike in cases. I would like to take this opportunity to send well wishes to all of the children, staff and community members who are currently experiencing Covid issues. Take care and get well soon!

This week:

- <u>Aladdin Panto trip</u>: We had a magical and positive experience on Tuesday when we took the
 whole school to see Aladdin at Cast theatre in Doncaster. It was superb! We once again,
 loved the venue, the show and the easy access and in general it was an excellent day out for
 all of the school. As in the past, the feedback from the children and staff has been so
 incredibly positive.
 - Thank you to everyone who helped make it happen, (especially Friends of Carlton who provided financial support and drinks and sweets for all of the children). It was a brilliant day for the children. I have already pre-booked next year's show!
- <u>Christmas Parties</u> were held and enjoyed reception & Key Stage 1 children on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon was KS2 children's turn for the festive celebrations. THANKS to everyone who contributed
- This morning we held a lovely Christmas <u>Carol Service at St Mary's</u> C of E Church in Carlton, too. Thanks to Reverend Becky and team for hosting us and very well done to all of our readers, soloists and to Mrs Sierotko for organising the service. I really enjoyed this morning's service Atlas and Alps class still participated via the joys of technology!
- Today we also have enjoyed our <u>school Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day</u> a lovely way to end the term. Thanks to Mrs Graham for her amazing effort with the Christmas lunch.



Friends fundraiser:

On Monday we handed out prizes to the winners of the Friend's snowman race .

Snowy won the competition (Ava Grace H & Evelyn H) and Bench (Ben S) came second. Icey (Amy A) came in third.

Thank you to everyone who took part – we raised £332 from this lovely event,. Thank to Mrs Piercefor organising.

Carlton Primary School One year anniversary of being part of Selby Educational Trust:

On the 1st January 2021 we officially became 'Carlton Primary School' and joined Selby Educational Trust (SET). The Governors and I feel our decision to join SET has been fully vindicated. We have loved the support and collaboration from SET colleagues and know that school is in an even stronger place because of our conversion and support of the Trust. We remain proud of our school and are incredibly optimistic about the direction of travel and this partnership working. We are also very proud to be a member of Selby Educational Trust.

Bundle of Joy: Reception and Year 1 production:

I am delighted to share with you a youtube link for our 'Bundle of Joy' performance recorded last week. I am very proud of the children in Alps and Atlas class.

A message from Mrs Smith:

The staff in Alps and Atlas class are so proud of our children and their amazing performance of Bundle of Joy. We can't wait for you to see and hear their wonderful singing and dancing. A big well done to our super star Narrators, Alice, Zara, Georgia and Millie who spoke with confidence to tell the story. Thank you Parents for the amazing costumes and all the support you have given your children learning their lines. We hope you enjoy it as much as we do!

Please find the link for Bundle of Joy below: We hope you enjoy!

https://youtu.be/I7P0Mf5altY

Personal reflection

As usual I end our calendar year with a pause for thought and reflection.

Firstly, we wish Miss Marshall a safe, happy and successful maternity leave that begins after Christmas. Miss Marshall is an extremely talented teacher and superb team member who will be missed by Himalayas class and all of the school team over the next few terms. We wish her well for this exciting chapter and will keep you posted when we have exciting news!

As always, I would like to pass on my sincere thanks to some very important people, without whom our school wouldn't be what it is.

- Thank you to the brilliant Local Governing Board for their dedication and commitment to school, purely on a voluntary basis. The work they do behind the scenes and in supporting the leadership of school and strategic management is first class – they have been unwavering in their support of our school!
- I also of course have to say a huge thank you to the hardworking, enthusiastic and talented staff team I have around me. Their efforts, care and passion help make our school a very special place. I am so lucky to have so many people who give above and beyond.
- The ever supportive 'Friends' group who work tirelessly to raise money for the children also deserve a huge thank you and special mention. It is great to have such good Friends!
- Finally thank you too, for your continued support of our school it is always appreciated. Let's hope 2022 is a safe and happy one for us all!

The children of our school are amazing and I am remain very happy, proud and excited to be the Head Teacher.

Christmas wishes:



Season's greetings and happiness to you and your loved ones. May your home be filled with love and laughter this Christmas. On behalf of everyone at Carlton Primary School, we would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas. We hope you have a very happy, peaceful and relaxing holiday. Keep safe everyone - wee you in 2022!

Regards and best wishes

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