



Weekly Bulletin

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Newsletter

Dear Parents and families,

Welcome to another weekly newsletter. I hope this finds you and your family well.

Happy news

I would like to start this week's newsletter with some uplifting and positive news. I'm delighted to inform you that on Sunday 9th January Miss Marshall had her baby – a healthy and happy little boy. Both mum and baby are doing well. The staff team and children are thrilled for Miss Marshall and we wish her well for this exciting chapter.

Covid:

It has obviously been a challenging time in school this week. We began the week with a significant number of new positive cases, affecting staff and pupils (and family members) alike. It goes without saying that on behalf of the whole of Carlton Primary School we wish all people affected by Covid full and speedy recoveries.

As the week has progressed fortunately we have seen less new cases, and have had some children who were positive before the start of term began, return to school.

I would like to express my thanks to the staff team for their extra efforts and for supporting one another and the children so well. Thank you too for taking time to do lateral flow tests were suitable and supporting us. These remain challenging times.

Please remember that if a child is isolating and they are well enough to (e.g. not unwell) they need to complete their school work. We will provide any such work via the class blogs as we have done throughout the pandemic.

[Class Blogs & Homework – Carlton Primary \(selby.ac.uk\)](#)

I would like to also take this opportunity to reassure you that at no point during the pandemic have the Carlton staff team met inappropriately or against the rule or spirit of any period national restrictions. I can also categorically and factually state that sadly none of our work meetings involved cheese and wine or 'bring your own booze'!

Parental Survey:

On Thursday I sent out a parent mail that asked for responses to our Parental Survey. Thank you to the many who have already completed this. If you haven't already done so please do see the information below from our Local Governing Board.

Each year, the governing body undertakes a survey of parents to establish their views and concerns. This information enables the understanding of the current views of parents and provides information to the governors in order to shape future policy and direction of the school.

We are very proud of the achievements of our pupils, staff and wider community. At Carlton Primary we value your views and strive to achieve our vision to create a happy, secure and stimulating environment. Parental engagement is incredibly important to us as you have a unique knowledge of your child/children and by you providing feedback this will ensure you make a positive difference to the life and work of Carlton Primary.

The Carlton Local Governing Board

I would be most grateful if you could complete the surveys below to give us your feedback. It is a very short survey and should take less than 2 minutes to complete.

Please click on the link below for the correct survey. If you have a child in more than one class we welcome multiple responses/one for each child.

Reception Alps class (Mrs Smith) : <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BWRM78Q>

Year 1 Atlas Class (Miss Jackson) : <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BWZ38QY>

Year 2 Andes Class (Mrs Burton) : <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BS72MQK>

Year 3 Himalayas Class (Miss Marshall & Miss Edenbrow)

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BSQSHNF>

Year 4&5 Pyrenees Class (Mrs Short and Miss Watling)

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BSTBMH2>

Year 5&6 Rocky Class (Miss Craven) <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BSGPTRD>

SEND Survey: If your child has Special Education Needs please also complete this 2-question (very short) Survey <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BRJ5LZY>

Thanks in advance for your support and feedback

Other news & Next week:

- Thursday 20th January is a Census day in school - a special lunch will be served with a Heinz Baked beans theme! All children in receipt of free school meals will be provided with a school dinner on this day. You are still welcome to send them with an additional packed lunch if you would like to do so.

- Parent teacher Consultation appointments
In the next few weeks we will be providing you all with an opportunity for a parent teacher consultation – this will be offered over Zoom. This will be excluding Himalayas class who had their appointment with Miss Marshall and Miss Edenbrow just before Christmas.
- Midday Supervisors
We are looking to recruit new members of staff to join our Midday Supervisory team. We want staff for daily positions, as well as relief/cover. If you are interested please contact the school office - we would love to hear from you.
- Clubs: I will be writing to you all next week about clubs for the forthcoming term - watch this space!
- Friends of Drax Church. Reverend Becky is looking for help and is establishing the Friends of Drax Church group in 2022. The idea of the group is to oversee works required in the church, and graveyard, and to liaise with wider community as required. There is also the opportunity to help shape the vision for the future use of the building as a community asset, and to create interesting information for visitors to see both outside and inside the building.

Rev Becky says that the skills she is praying for in any new volunteers include bid-writing, experience of building-work, or planning, architecture, use of technology. Interested parties don't have to live in Drax, or be part of a Christian community, just have a passion for the building or site itself

If you are interested in becoming a new volunteer please let the school office know or get in touch directly with Rev Becky (Tel: 01757 335644)

Regards and best wishes

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