



## Term 3 Week 1 : Friday 21st April 2023

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Hello and welcome to this week's newsletter.

## This week:

It has been a really positive feel again this week. As I have moved around school and visited our classes there has been such a great working atmosphere in each and every classroom. I am particularly proud of our upper key stage 2 children who have responded to the requests and to our high expectations for even greater consistency in positive behaviour and attitudes from everyone.



On Monday we said 'Eid Mubarak', and discussed Eid al Fitr celebration for Muslim friends around the world, following the Islamic Holy month of Ramadan.

Also, within the same assembly I made the draw for 3 prize winners from Mrs Burton's and our School council <u>Easter</u> <u>Reading challenge</u>. Every child who completed the challenge was entered into the draw. The winners were Willis (Jaguars), George A (Leopards) and Freya (Pumas). Well done to all of the children who enjoyed taking part and to our three lucky winners.



Thank you to all of the parents who attended our first of 2 <u>Parent teacher Consultations this</u> <u>Wednesday</u> – we hope you found the useful and informative. Thanks to the Mellor's catering team for providing cakes and treats for all who attended. Our second session is next Thursday (4<sup>th</sup> May).

Thank you for your understanding with regards to the school closure yesterday (Thursday27/4) due to the National Education Union industrial action. I understand this is a difficult situation for many to manage. As previously communicated please do remember that due to further strike action school is again closed next week – on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Please note, that with the strike closure combined with the bank holiday (Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May), the children are not due back into school until Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023.

On Wednesday we had another visit from the Primary Lead practitioner Mrs Sawyer from the Maths hub. This was another positive visit, with Mrs Sawyer and Mrs Reading (our maths lead) having a very productive session, including learning walks, discussion and book scrutiny.

<u>Next week: Coronation</u>: As included in last week's diary dates, on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May we will be asking children who would like to, to wear either 'smart clothes' or red, white and blue, as we have our Coronation mini-celebration in school. If children do not want to wear this then simply the need to wear their normal school uniform. The Mellors catering team are planning a Coronation themed lunch and with the support of Carlton Parish Council, Mrs Peirce and I have organised a little treat for each of the children to mark this occasion.

## Important News & Reminders:

- <u>Midday Supervisors (MSAs)</u> We are looking for a new MSA to join the team. If you would like to find out more about the MSA position please to speak to the admin team or me.
- <u>Assessment:</u> As mentioned previously, in May Year 6 pupils (from Tigers class) take their Key Stage 2 National Curriculum tests or SATs (week beginning Tues 9<sup>th</sup> May). In addition, Year 2 children (Leopards class) will be completing their end of Key Stage 1 assessments the following week (Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May). Both of these sets of standardised tests are compulsory and taken by all pupils across the country. It is really important that both Year 2 and Year 6 pupils have excellent attendance over the next few weeks.



Out of school riding success. Congratulations to Elsie (Leopards), who competed in her first side-saddle show off the lead rein last weekend. She came home with 2nd, 4th & 5th place against adult riders on her pony Bow. Well done Elsie!



Please see some important dates below. Have a great long weekend!

Regards and best wishes Jon Watson Head teacher Developing lively, inquiring and creative minds

## Key dates:

This term is always a busy one with lots of events happening. I have included and listed important dates such as National Curriculum test weeks, but have also included provisional dates for other events, including our Summer Production and Transition days below.

Bank Holiday
NEU Strike – school closed
Year 1 and Year 2 trip to Lotherton Hall
Parent teacher Consultations session2
Coronation Lunch and assembly in school
(Red white & Blue or 'smartly dressed' day)
Bank Holiday - King Charles' Coronation
National Curriculum KS2 test week
National Curriculum KS1 test week
Last day of half term
urday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2023– school closed
Children return to school
Year 6 Parliament Trip to London TBC
Friends' Summer fayre – with stalls, live entertainment and lots more
KS1 Phonics screening week
Year 4 Times Table Checking week
Urban Strides Street Dance workshop
Year 6-year 7 Transition days at the Snaith School
Pumas and Tigers Performance <b>TBC</b>
Performance for school 2pm – 3pm <b>TBC</b>
Performance for parents 5.30pm – 6.30pm <b>TBC</b>
Move up Morning 1 – internal transition day
Year 6 Leaver's Fest
Reports home to parents
Move up Morning 2 - internal transition day
Year 6 Leaver's Assembly 9.30am – 11am (approx.)
Last of school term/year - school closed for the summer break
Disaggregated Inset Days – School closed for pupils
Staff Training day
Children return to school

NB. Sports day date still to be arranged

All dates can be found on our website: <u>Term Dates – Carlton Primary (setschools.uk)</u>