

Weekly Bulletin

Term 3 Week 10: Friday 23rd June 2023

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Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

As I write this we are preparing for today's Sports day. We hope it is an excellent day for all of the children and for those able to attend. Results and some photos to follow next week!

Classes for next year:

As previously highlighted I am thrilled to confirm that from September 2023 we will be a 7-class school, with one class per year group. For at least the last 10 years we have had a flexible 6 class structure with some mixed age classes. This new 7 class structure is excellent news particularly for curriculum planning. The move to 7 classes has been a long-term ambition, and with growing numbers, support from Selby Educational Trust (SET) team and our Local Governing Board this now comes into fruition. As things stand we will have over 170 pupils on roll in September 2023.

Our Teaching Team remains stable, although we do have some changes.

Departing staff:

- You will be aware from my previous communication that Miss Craven is departing for a teaching adventure and experience abroad. At the end of term we will be wishing her well and be thanking her for her valued contributions.
- I am also now able to inform you that Miss Jackson has made the difficult decision to leave Carlton Primary at the end of this academic year. We thank her for her efforts and time with our school and send her continued well wishes for a full recovery. More later in the year!

New staff:

I am delighted to now be in a position to officially welcome 3 new teachers to our Carlton team – although none of them are totally new!

- I am thrilled to be welcoming Miss Edenbrow back to Carlton on a permanent basis after a year with our partner school Selby CP School. Miss Edenbrow was part of the team last year and will be a brilliant addition. She is very excited about re-joining us.
- Someone everyone already knows and who is already an established member of the team has
 a change of role next year. I am excited to announce that Miss Gray becomes a substantive
 teacher at Carlton from September. Having worked as a HLTA for 3 years, and being a qualified
 teacher we are all delighted that Miss Gray has chosen us for this exciting phase of her career
 and was successful in our recent recruitment process.

• Finally I am delighted to announce that Mrs Jevens is joining the team in September. Miss Jevens, who spent a short time with us a couple of years ago on a temporary basis, is a highly regarded, experienced teacher who will be a great asset to the team. I am really pleased to secure her!

We have continued with our 'naming' of each class for next year and have chosen to use common British trees as our theme.

September 2023 Class Names and Teachers		
Rec	Ash	Mrs Smith
Y1	Beech	Miss Marshall
Y2	Hawthorne	Mrs Burton (and Mrs Reading)
Y3	Oak	Miss Gray
Y4	Pine	Mrs Reading & Mrs Short
Y5	Silver Birch	Miss Edenbrow
Y6	Willow	Mrs Jevens (& Mrs Short)

Mrs Short and Mrs Reading will again be 'job sharing' in the Year 4 Pine class. However, both Mrs Reading and Mrs Short will be spending additional time in other classrooms (as indicated above).

We will be holding 'move-up' mornings in school on **Friday 14**th **July 2** and **Monday 17**th **July 2023** when children will be getting the opportunity to spend time with their new class and teacher.

This week:

- On Monday we are were delighted to Host the <u>Selby Educational Trust (SET) Trustees</u>
 <u>Development day in school</u>. The trustees enjoyed a tour of our school and presentation
 about the progress we have made since we joined SET in Jan 2021. A very interesting,
 positive and enjoyable day.
- Also on Monday, Mrs Burton had a Year 2 /End of key Stage Data moderation session. This is an important external mechanism to help check our assessments judgements are accurate. The visit was highly successful and our data for the Year 2 pupils was checked and unreservedly agreed as being accurate. Well done Mrs Burton!
- Assessments. As reported last week, the last remaining Year 1 phonics screening checks and Year 4 Multiplication checks have now been completed. Well done to all of the Year 1 (and year 2) pupils and year 4 pupils for their participation in these national assessments. Well done to the staff team who have overseen these statutory assessments.
- On Wednesday evening Mrs Smith, Mrs Bramley and I hosted our information evening for parents/families of new starters for September 2023. Thank you to everyone who attended – we hope you found it useful and informative!
- On Thursday Mrs Hopwood (SET School Improvement lead) Mrs Smith and I enjoyed visiting all classrooms on a SEND learning walk.

<u>Important information re National Education Union's Strike Action on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July 2023</u>

I wrote to you earlier in the week to confirm that Carlton Primary will be affected by the planned NEU strikes. This follows the announcement over the weekend of a further two days of strike action this term. The days of action will be on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July. It is highly likely that the NEU strikes will result in **Carlton Primary School being closed for those two days.** I am sorry for the inconvenience this will cause.

As you are already aware, the strikes are happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and conditions, and not because of any issues at our school.

As with previous strike days, we will again, if required, be providing support for vulnerable children and children of critical workers (NHS staff and other emergency services). Therefore if your child has an Education Health Care Plan <u>OR</u> you consider a critical worker as outlined above, <u>AND</u> have no alternative child care provision available to you please do get in touch with us.

<u>If</u> the strike is called off we of course will be open as usual. However, I need to stress that I has been no indication that the strike will be called off. I will of course keep you updated.

Reminder we need your plastic bottle tops!



Please support our participation in the excellent <u>'SchoolCycled'</u> project. We would love you to all start collecting any plastic bottle tops (milk, soft drinks, cordial, shampoo etc etc) and bring them into school. The more we collect the more goodies school received and the better it is for the environment!

Other Important News & Reminders:

- What lovely weather we've had this week. The summer weather does make it even more
 important that children have their water bottle with them. Please support us in promoting good
 health by ensuring your child has their water bottle with them each and everyday. Wearing hats
 and children having suncream on are also really sensible measures.
- <u>Fizzy drinks</u>. A reminder that children should be bringing water to school each and every day in a bottle. Under no circumstances should the children be bringing fizzy drinks. We also politely request that children do not bring in fizzy drink bottles (e.g. prime) that contain water this makes it difficult to know what is in the bottle. Thanks for your support with this.
- <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.
- Website and twitter reminder: Check out our website and twitter feeds for photos and examples of what is happening in each class in school.

https://carltonprimary.setschools.uk/ https://twitter.com/CarltonPS_SET

Have a good weekend! Thank you for your support of our school.

Regards and best wishes

Jon Watson

Head teacher

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Important dates:

Please see some important dates for the rest of the summer term below, for your reference.

Summer Term 2023:

Wednesday 12th July Pumas and Tigers Performance

Performance for school 2pm - 3pm

Performance for parents 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Friday 14th July Move up Morning 1 – internal transition day

Year 6 Leaver's Fest

Reports home to parents

Monday 17th July Move up Morning 2 - internal transition day

Friday 21st July Year 6 Leaver's Assembly 9.30am – 11am (approx.)

Friday 21st July 2023 Last of school term/year - school closed for the summer break

Monday 24th & 25th July Disaggregated Inset Days – School closed for pupils

Monday 4th September Staff Training day

Tuesday 5th September Children return to school

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

