

Weekly Bulletin

Term 1 Week 10: Friday 10th November 2023

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Welcome as ever to our weekly newsletter the first of this busy and exciting half term. We hope that the children have enjoyed a good half term break, a spooky Halloween and safe and enjoyable Bonfire Night!

I have said it many times over the last few weeks but I am incredibly proud of the staff team and the pupils alike. Whether with visitors/potential new families to school, or alone, <u>EVERY TIME</u> I visit classrooms at the moment I am delighted with what I am seeing. There is so much quality teaching and learning taking place across school. The engagement, attitude and behaviour of the children has been brilliant too. It genuinely is a lovely positive atmosphere in school and one I am very proud of. Well done Team Carlton!

This week in school:

Remembrance reflections: This week in assemblies I have spoken to children about Remembrance Day and the significance of the poppy and why we have Remembrance Day. Later today we will be holding a minute silence as our way of showing respect.

As usual I will be representing school on Sunday by laying a wreath at The Carlton War Memorial Service (arrival at 10.45 for a 11.00 o'clock start). I hope to see some of you there.





Thank you so much to everyone who has supported the Royal British Legion by purchasing poppy merchandise this week and making donations. I will share the total raised with you in due course. Thanks for your kind support of this.

Lest we forget!

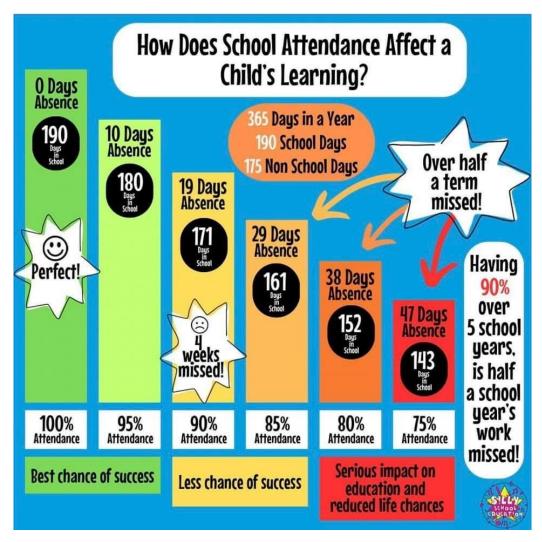
<u>Welcomes</u> This week we have enjoyed welcoming two new pupils and families to school. This week we have also welcomed Mrs Murray (Part time admin assistant in the school office) and new Midday Supervisory Assistants Mrs Brady and Mrs Mansfield to the school team.

On Tuesday evening we held our first Local Governing Board (LGB) meeting of the school year.

Attendance: Every day counts!

As a school we obviously encourage good attendance. Please read more about attendance on our website: <a href="https://doi.org/10.2016/nc.2016

I came across this graphic the other day that I thought was really interesting and informative. It helps to illustrate the importance of good attendance, in terms of how occasional days off add up and have an impact on the children.



As we start to reach the end of autumn and beginning of winter, when there are lots of illnesses, please remember to use this helpful guide to support your decision of whether your child should be in school or not:

<u>Is my child too ill for school? – NHS (www.nhs.uk)</u>



Achievements outside of school:

We always enjoy sharing out of school successes as well as those within school. This week I am delighted to share a photo of Ethan (Y6) who is excelling with Taekwondo. Ethan recently enjoyed a double grading success and was very proud of his super achievement.

Next week:

School photos: On Tuesday 14th we are having our individual school photos.

On Friday 17th November it is <u>Children in</u> <u>Need day</u>. We will be having a non-uniform day to help support this very worthy cause. We politely suggest a minimum donation of £1 but all donations welcome.

Parent Governor Vacancy on our Local Governing Board (LGB)

As I outlined before the half term break we have a parent vacancy to join the LGB board. The LGB are a group of volunteers who, with support from Selby Educational Trust Board, help guide the strategic direction of school and support and challenge the Headteacher and leadership of the school. The board is made up of several Trust appointed governors, a staff elected governor, 2 parent governors and myself as headteacher. Mrs Siobhan Oram is our other parent governor.

If you are keen to nominate yourself for this role or want to find out more please speak to me or contact the office to arrange a time for informal discussion.

Read more about our Local Governing Board on: <u>Governors – Carlton Primary (setschools.uk)</u>

<u>New starters:</u> Reception intake for September 2024: Once again this week I have enjoyed showing around lots of potential new starters and families for next academic year. The new reception intake for September 2024 is for children born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020. We have made several available dates when prospective parents can visit our school – please see diary dates later in this newsletter. Please do encourage anyone you know who may be interested in joining our school to contact us and book a visit. If you already have a child in school and another due to start next year, you are still welcome to visit school of course! Applications for these places should be made by 15th January 2024.

Reminders:

PE Kits. A reminder to all parents that our uniform for PE should be simple in design, avoiding large logos etc. Please do check out our website or speak to staff for any clarification needed.

<u>School Uniform – Carlton Primary (setschools.uk)</u>

<u>Coats:</u> The weather is definitely cooling and we advise all children should bring a warm and waterproof jacket with them each and every day. Even in cold or damp weather we still want the children to be able to get outside at breaktimes and lunchtimes for exercise and valuable fresh air. Please help us do this by making sure they are suitable dressed for the season!

<u>Music instrument tuition</u> – Since the North Yorkshire Music Hub's assembly a few weeks ago we have seen a number of pupils and families express interest and start lessons. Please remember if you would like your child to participate in musical instrumental lessons in school please do see attached flyer for more details or



contact the school office for more details. Home - North Yorkshire Music Hub

A Reminder we need your plastic bottle tops!

Please do support our participation in the excellent 'SchoolCycled' project. This is an ongoing project and we will be collecting bottle tops constantly over the year ahead. We would



love you to all keep collecting any bottle tops (milk, soft drinks, cordial, shampoo, toothpaste etc) and bring them into school. The more we collect the more goodies school received and the better it is for the environment! Please also ask friends, family members and or neighbours to support us with this! The more the better!

As you know we have now sent off 5 boxes (approximately 65kg) and we have another one ready to go!. Thank you for everyone's brilliant support of this. Let's keep this going!

<u>Website and twitter/X reminder:</u> We continue to use Twitter or 'X' to share information about learning in school. This is another simple and effective way of communicating with you all. Our class teachers will be sharing some photos, key learning or snap shots of life in their classrooms on a regular basis. https://twitter.com/CarltonPS_SET

The twitter feed is also embedded to the home page of our school website, so can be viewed on the web for those who don't use Twitter. The account is a super way of keeping our website up to date on a weekly basis https://carltonprimary.setschools.uk/

National Sleep Helpline: Sleep Support:

We have been asked to share with you information about a free resource that can help parents and children to learn more about their sleep and develop better bedtime routines. Sleep is essential to brain function, by helping children to sleep better, we can help them to succeed in school.

At any given time up to 40% of adults and 50% of children (this rises to 80% with a SEND diagnosis) have difficulties with their sleep. Yet in a recent survey, almost 60% of adults felt there was a lack of support for sleep issues. Sleep problems can leave people feeling isolated and lonely.

Our free helpline is run by trained sleep advisors, many of whom are specialists in working with SEND. We can talk to young people directly, or parents (we can also talk to adults, including older people, about their sleep issues).

The helpline is open 5 times a week, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday evenings 7-9pm, and Monday, Wednesday mornings 9-11am. The number is 03303 530 541.



You can read more here: https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/national-sleep-helpline/

<u>Diary Dates:</u> at the end of this newsletter there is list if important diary dates for the term ahead. Please do take a look.

Thanks for taking the time to read this week's newsletter and for your support of our school.

Regards and best wishes

Jon Watson

Head teacher

Developing lively, inquiring and creative minds

Diary Dates : Term1

November

Tuesday 14th School photos (individual)

Thursday 16th AM visits for new starters (Sept 24 intake) by appointment Friday 17th Children in Need Day - non uniform day fundraiser for CinN

w/c Monday 20th Last week for School clubs



December

Tuesday 5th Dec Friends Christmas Fayre

Thursday 7th Dec AM visits for new starters (Sept 24 intake) by appointment Friday 8th Kings Church Selby Christmas experience (Y3/Oak Class)

Tuesday 19th Dec Christmas Performance 2pm (to school & families) and 5.30pm

(parents/families)

Wed 20th Dec Whole School Panto Trip to Doncaster Cast
Thurs 21st Dec Am KS1 Christmas Party (party clothes required)

Pm KS2 Christmas Party pm (party clothes required)

Friday 22nd Carol Service 10.30 am St Mary's Church

Christmas jumper day

Christmas lunch

Break up for Christmas

Saturday 23rd December 2023 - Monday 8th January 2024 - Christmas Holidays <u>January 2024</u>

Term2:

Monday 8th Jan Staff training and development day

Tuesday 9th Jan Children return to school

Wednesday 21st Feb Young Voices – Sheffield Arena (day & evening event) Y4, 5 and 6

<u>Term 3:</u>

Friday 19th July 2023 Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.15 am