

Weekly Bulletin

Term 1 Week 13: Friday 1st December 2023

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Welcome, as always, to our weekly newsletter. December has arrived and there is a growing sense of excitement in the pupils about this magical and special time of year. The light covering of snow and frost this morning certainly made it feel like a typical December morning today.

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!

Thank you to Carlton Towers for kindly providing our school with the tree again this year – it looks stunning in the school hall! Special Christmas elves (aka the staff team and pupils) have helped make school really festive today and for the month ahead.



Reflections on this week:

In assembly this week we have talked about so much:

- What makes Carlton Primary School a special place to be?
- How we need to be kind to everyone, including ourselves!
- What good manners looks like and how we can spread happiness on



*'In a world where you can be anything,
choose to be kind!'*



On Thursday we also celebrated children's achievement inside and outside of school in our Celebration Assembly:

- We celebrated some out of school achievements. Rosalee participation in a 'Tapathon' fundraiser, Elsie's side-saddle achievements (rosettes and trophy) for her horse riding and Max, Lewis and Ronnie's footballing achievements.
- Well done to all of the children who got special mentions for our Carlton Skill set and our school rules as part of our regular in school celebration
- Congratulations to Isabella and Abigail (both from Pine class/Year4) for the deserved Red Book entry

Welcome Mr Carry : This week we were pleased to welcome Mr Carry to the staff team. Mr Carry join us as HLTA – Higher Level Teaching Assistant.

As you may have read yesterday:

As you already know, on Monday morning we had 'the call' from Ofsted that we have been expecting for some time. For clarity, Ofsted is the 'Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills'. They inspect services providing education and skills for learners of all ages. We understood that under the current Ofsted framework, that we would likely to be inspected between January 23 and end of December 2023

I know many of you are keen to know the outcome of this inspection. **At this point I am unable to share with you the outcome of the inspection but will do as soon as I am able.** I want to reassure that that this is the case for all schools post inspection, as the actual report has to be written, checked and quality assured before it can be finally published and shared. I will share this with you on the very first day I can. This is likely to be within a 3-6 week time period.

I can however tell you that I remain a proud headteacher and I am equally proud of our children too. I thank my staff (and Trust colleagues and Governors) for their continued support, hard work and commitment to our school. Nothing changes on that front!

The inspection process meant on Monday, after an initial notification call, Mrs Burton (Deputy headteacher) and I had a near 2 hour call discussing our school, outlining our self-evaluation of school, our strengths, our progress and areas for development etc, before a 2 day graded inspection on Tuesday and Wednesday. Inspectors met with leaders, spoke with pupils, looked at books, visited lessons, spoke to Governors and Trustees and our CEO Mr Clennan, and so much more. It was a very intense few days!

The 'graded' inspection means that the Ofsted team give a grade for our school (outstanding/good /requires improvement/ inadequate) for the 4 key judgements (quality of education/behaviour and attitudes/personal development/leadership and management) and for overall effectiveness. These grades will be shared in the report.

Within the 2 days you were all given a chance to express your views too. Thank you to all who took the time to support us with your highly positive feedback both in questionnaire and in person with the inspectors.

The Ofsted inspectors asked me, my leadership team, our Local Governing Board and Trustees from Selby educational Trust to pass on their thanks to the pupils of our school for their welcome , warmth and positive attitudes. They also thank the staff team for their engagement and professionalism in this 'high stake' process.

I look forward to sharing the report and outcome with you in due course. Thank you for your continued support.

Next week:

Don't forget to join us!



We hope to see you there!

Next week we will share with you details about ticket arrangement for the KS1 Christmas performance and other details of Christmas activities in school

Other news:

Royal British Legion :

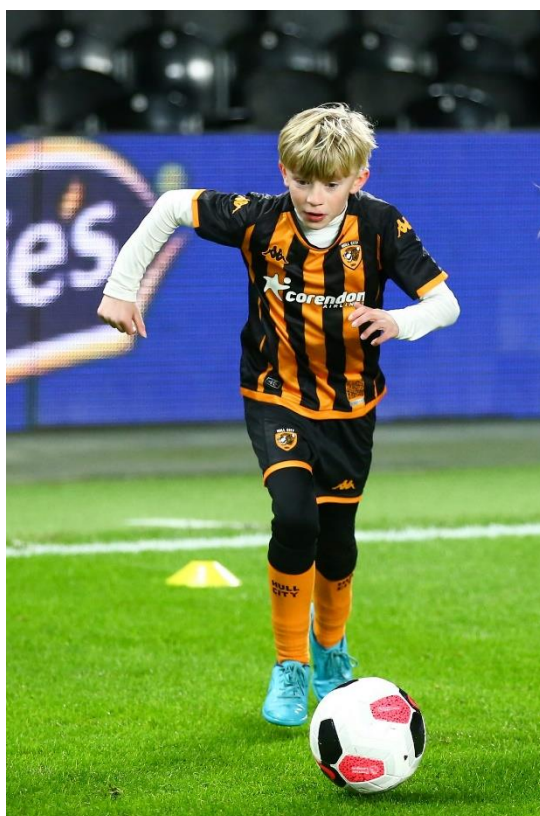
Last week I shared with you details of how much we raised for Children in Need - £251.80. This week I am delighted to share that collectively we raised **£311.41** for the Royal British legion from selling poppies and poppy related merchandise. **Thank you so much** for supporting this very worthy cause! This was our biggest total to date! Thank you everyone! Lest we forget!



New starters: Reception intake for September 2024:

The new reception intake for September 2024 is for children born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020.

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 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



Out of school achievements:

On Tuesday Zach (Year5) had a great opportunity and experience to be a mascot for his football Hull City. A memorable and special evening enjoyed!



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 already sent off 7 boxes (approximately 90kg) . Thank you for everyone's brilliant support of this . Let's keep this going !

Diary Dates: at the end of this newsletter there is list if important diary dates for the term ahead.

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:

December

Tuesday 5 th Dec	Friends Christmas Fayre
Thursday 7 th Dec	AM visits for new starters (Sept 24 intake) by appointment
Friday 8 th	Kings Church Selby Christmas experience (Y3/Oak Class)
Tuesday 19 th Dec	Christmas Performance 2pm (to school & families) and 5.30pm (parents/families)
Wed 20 th Dec	Whole School Panto Trip to Doncaster Cast
Thurs 21 st Dec	Am KS1 Christmas Party (party clothes required) Pm KS2 Christmas Party pm (party clothes required)
Friday 22 nd	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
January 2024

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

Term 3:

Friday 19th July 2023

Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.15 am



St Mary's Church, Carlton



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Join us at Messy Church this Sunday Dec 3rd, 9:30 am, as we hunt out the nativity characters and tell their story.

Food, fun and singing included.

