



Weekly Bulletin

Term 1 Week 16: Friday 22nd December 2023

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A Merry Christmas from Carlton Primary School

Welcome to the final newsletter of the term and of 2023. Christmas time in a primary school is very special time of year – my team all focus on and enjoy giving the children lots of positive experiences at this festive time. With our Carlton traditions of performances, a whole school panto trip, our church visit, Christmas parties and so much more, it really has been a busy, enjoyable and successful end of term, much as the term as a whole.



Reflections on this week:

'The Big Little Nativity': Ash (Reception) Beech (Year 1) and Hawthorn (Year 2) production:



I am very proud of the children in Ash, Beech and Hawthorn classes. They did an amazing job on Tuesday afternoon (for the rest of the pupils in school and some families) and evening (for the parents/families).

The children knew their songs and words so well, and for such a young age, in front of big audience, some for the very first time, did superbly well! We are all very proud of them! The singing and confidence from all of the cast was excellent – a real sense of togetherness and collaboration at its best!

Thank you to all of the families who were able to attend and see their children participate – it was a brilliant turn out! Thanks too for your support with the costumes and all the support you have given your children learning their lines. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

Thank you to the staff Team (Mrs Smith, , Mrs Bramley,& Mrs Chiverton, Miss Marshall & Mrs Stones, Mrs Burton and Mrs Whaley) for their efforts organising, casting and directing! Thanks too to the wider school team for support on the day and of course to Mrs Pierce for kindly taking the photos of the children in their costumes and running the raffle. As a result of her hard work and your generosity we raised £370 on the day – all which will be spent on the children of our school.



Starring as Tree, Caesar, Donkey, Mary, Joseph, Jacob & Lewis.
Carter, Eliza, Evelyn, Lakisha-Rose, Ewan



Starring as The Shepherds & Sheep
Albie, Gerry, George, Reuben, Tommy, Freddie
John-Joe, Lucas, Jack, Henry, Leland



Starring as readers
Lucy & Ingrid



Starring as the Doors
Theo, Fraser, Noah, Louis, John-William



Starring as The Wise Men & Camels
Alex, Samuel, Alex
Eden, Elliot, Vaughan



Starring as the Inn Keepers & Wives
Koby, Ivy Rose, Lucas, Freddie, Charlie
Julia, Alice, Amy, Lily, Huey



Starring as The Angels & Angel Gabriel.
Evie, Alannah, Yana, Harper, Everly, Katie
Millie, Olivia, Chantelle, Darcie, Ella-Mae, Isla, Scarlett-Rose



Starring as the Narrators
Willis, Riley, Lilly, Jack, Alexia
Eric, Emily, George, Oscar, Lucas

Well done all of the cast and crew for Reception and Key Stage 1! We loved it!

Beauty & the Beast Panto trip: We had a magical and enjoyable experience on Wednesday when we took the whole school to see Sleeping Beauty at Cast theatre on Doncaster.





We once again, loved the venue, the show and had an excellent day out for all of the school. As in the past, the feedback from the children and staff has been so incredibly positive.



Thank you to everyone who helped make it happen, especially Friends of Carlton who provided great financial support for every child, as well as drinks and sweets for all the children on the day itself.

It was a brilliant day for the children. I have already pre-booked next year's show! Thank you too to everyone who contributed financially – including the generous people who made additional extra contributions supporting the school.

On Tuesday Miss Edenbrow's Silver Birch (Year5) class led our assembly about characters in the Christmas story. They held a debate about who is the most important or significant person. Very well done Silver Birch class!

Christmas Parties were held and enjoyed on Thursday. We had a lovely surprise visit from Santa too! THANKS to everyone who contributed. The generously donated chocolate was shared and enjoyed by all of the children too!

This morning we have enjoyed a lovely Christmas Carol Service at St Mary's C of E Church in Carlton, too. Thanks to Reverend Greenough and team for hosting us and very well done to all of our readers, soloists and to Mrs Sierotko for organising this seasonal event. I really enjoyed this morning's service! Thanks to all who attended and walked with us to and from church.

Today we also will enjoy our school Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day – a lovely way to end the term. Thanks to Mellor's Catering team for their extra effort with the Christmas lunch.

This afternoon we are holding our traditional fun singalong all together in the hall too! Our sit down 12 days of Christmas is always a lot of fun Hopefully one of us will finally get that hippopotamus we have been wishing for!



Personal reflection

As usual I end our calendar year with a pause for thought and reflection. As always, I would like to pass on my sincere thanks to some very important people, without whom our school wouldn't be what it is.



- Thank you to your children for being funny, enthusiastic, caring, curious and so much more! They've been great this week and this term in general too!
- Of course I have to say a huge thank you to the hardworking, enthusiastic and talented staff team I have around me. Their efforts, care and passion help make our school a very special place. I am so lucky to have so many people who give above and beyond and who care so much about the children of our school. This term has been a particularly long one, and with an Ofsted visit in later November thrown in for good measure, I am particularly proud of their dedication and commitment to our school. Thanks Team!
- Thank you to our ever supportive 'Friends' group who work tirelessly to raise money for the children of our school. It is great to have such good Friends – thank you!
- Thank you to the brilliant Local Governing Board for their dedication and commitment to school, purely on a voluntary basis. The work they do behind the scenes and in supporting the and strategic leadership of school is first class – they have been unwavering in their support of our school! This Dr Helen Snowden's final term with us as Chair of Governors and I look forward to saying thank you to her in a special assembly in January.
- Thank you to Ian Clennan and all of the Selby Educational Trust (SET) team. On the 2nd January 2024 it will be 3 year anniversary of Carlton Primary School being part of SET. We have loved the support and collaboration from SET colleagues and know that school is in an even stronger place because of this.
- **Finally thank you all too!** Thank you for engagement and your continued support of our school – it is always appreciated. Let's hope 2024 is a happy one for us all!



Other information:

- We have 2 new families/three new children joining us in January.
- Parent governor. Early in the new year we will again be advertising for a new parent governor to join our enthusiastic and supportive Local Governing Board. If you are interested in finding out more please speak to me for more information.
- Midday supervisors (MSAs) If you are interested in the role of Midday Supervisor (MSA) please speak to the admin team or myself about this. We are looking for someone to join our team in the new year.

- **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. **Applications for these places should be made by 15th January 2024**
- Please remember to keep all of your plastic bottle tops and lids over the Christmas holidays for our **School Cycled** project!

Christmas wishes:

Seasons greetings and happiness to you and your loved ones. May your home be filled with love and laughter this Christmas. **On behalf of everyone at Carlton Primary School, we would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas.** We hope you have a very happy, peaceful and relaxing holiday. See you in 2024!



Children return to school on Tuesday 9th January 2023!

Regards and best wishes

Jon Watson

Head teacher

Developing lively, inquiring and creative minds

Diary Dates:

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