



Term 3 Week 11 Friday 21st June 2024

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Welcome as always to our weekly newsletter. Firstly, this week I want to remind you about and promote the Friends of Carlton Summer Fayre. we are all excited about this super event and - we hope to see lots of you here on Sunday to support us.



We hope to see you there!

Obviously today is our sports day, and we hope to have a brilliant day. Photos and details to follow next week! Thanks to everyone who has supported the day! We are also holding our 'Teddy bear's picnic' at lunchtime too.

### Other notable events this week:

- <u>Assessments</u>: As reported last week, the last remaining Year One phonics screening checks and Year 4 Multiplication checks have now been completed. Well done to all of the Year One (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.
- <u>New Starters:</u> On Wednesday evening Mrs Smith, Mrs Bramley and I hosted our information evening for parents/families of new starters for September 2024. Thank you to everyone who attended we hope you found it useful and informative! Thank you too to Miss Priestley and Mrs Mycoe, the Mellors Team, in our school kitchen, for the tatsy selection of food samples too.
- <u>Teaching and Learning</u>: On Tuesday Mrs Hawkins (SET School Improvement Lead) and I enjoyed visiting all classrooms on learning walks several times throughout the day. We were also accompanied by Mrs Oram (Parent governor) during the afternoon. We saw lessons that were purposeful and focussed, planned and progressive and of a really high qaulity. The children's behaviours for learning were excellent and their engagement was really high. The overall atmosphere in classes was consistently positive. It was a wonderful visit and day as a whole. A great and typical example of the strong teaching and learning that is established culture in our school. Well done everyone!
- Similarly, on Wednesday we also hosted a visit from the Maths Hub when Mrs Jones joined Mrs Reading. They looked at how well we have now got the 'mastering number' approach imbedded across Keystage 1. Another successful visit!
- On Tuesday evening we half the final meeting of the Local Governing Board. Thanks to all of the Local Governing Board for their contributions and efforts. Mrs Thompson and I presented our planned budget to governors at this meeting as well as sharing that with the Trust on Thursday too.
- <u>Celebration assembly:</u> Within our celebration Assembly on Wednesday we awarded 3 'Red Book' entries the highest honour for three very deserving pupils. Many congratulations to:
  - Oscar M (Y2)
  - Lilly S (Y5)
  - o Ruby (Y6)

<u>Classes for next year</u>: Following on from the budget meetings this week, I am delighted to confirm that in September 2024 we continue to have a 7-class structure in school, with one class per year group. This academic year has been the first time for over a decade that we have had this structure. We are thrilled to continue this for many reasons, but particularly for curriculum

planning. We currently have 164 pupils on role, as things stand we will have approximately 167 pupils on roll in September 2024. Our Teaching Team remains stable.

As I approach the end of my ninth year as headteacher at Carlton Primary School I have to say that I have never been so frustrated by the financial pressures on schools. We are consistently required to do more with less in real terms. I am very proud of the staff team and all they contribute, and all we collectively achieve. I need to stress to you all, that times are incredibly financially challenging for all schools in including ours. Despite these challenges will of course always continue to do our very best for the children of our school. Supportive Governors and being part of truly caring and collaborative Trust (SET) really is of such benefit, particularly in difficult or challenging times.

In the next 2 weeks I will be informing you of class teacher arrangements and also the names for our classes for the next academic year.

#### Next week:

We are really looking forward to the Year 5 and Year 6 'Peter Pan' production next Wednesday. On Thursday it was brilliant seeing the children in their costumes (for photos and a dress rehearsal) – they all looked fabulous. I have not seen or heard the whole show yet, but from the snippets I've experienced I can't wait to see it next week! It is looking and sounding brilliant. The Willow and Silver Birch classes will be performing to the school on Wednesday afternoon and to parents on Wednesday evening.

#### Other Important News & Reminders:

- School clubs: all school clubs have now finished
- Please support us in promoting good health by ensuring your child has their <u>water bottle</u> with them each and everyday. Wearing hats and children having sun cream on are also really sensible measures.
- Website and X/Twitter reminder: Check out our website and twitter feeds for photos and examples of what is happening in each class in school.
  - <u>Carlton Primary School (@CarltonPS\_SET) / X (twitter.com)</u>
  - o Carlton Primary (setschools.uk)

#### Thanks as always for taking time to read this newsletter and for your support of our school.

Regards and best wishes

Jon Watson

Head teacher

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# **SchoolCycled**

A Reminder we need your plastic bottle tops for our participation in the excellent <u>'SchoolCycled'</u> project. A reminder that this is an ongoing project and we will be collecting bottle tops constantly each and every week.

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!

<u>Calendar Dates:</u> As always please refer to below for the important dates for the term ahead. <u>Term 3/ Summer Term April 2024 onwards :</u>

- Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Friends Summer Fayre 1.00- 3.30pm
- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July
- Silver Birch (Y5) and Willow (Y6) Performance Move up Morning 1 – internal transition day
  - Year 6 Leaver's Fest
- Reports home to parents
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July Move up Morning 2 internal transition day
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am 11am (approx.)
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July Last of school term/year

## Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July School closed for the Summer break

• Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July Disaggregated Inset Day – School closed for pupils

## September 2024

- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September Staff Training day
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September Children return to school

