



Carrington Junior School

Newsletter – 12th June 2026



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It was lovely to see our Year 3 children go off and enjoy their farm visit and fabulous to hear our Year 5 pupils performing on their brass instruments. A huge thank you to Mr Rai for conducting such a lovely concert. There is much more to look forward to over the next few weeks including Year 5 Language day, French Market, Sports Day, Wye Valley Games, Bikeability and our Year 6 Production. Do keep your eyes on Dojo for up-to-date information from class teachers.

Last week, our year 6 pupils shone with their writing assessments, impressing the external moderators who came to validate their levels. My favourite comment from one of this team was that our pupils 'use their personalities within their writing to make it their own!' Congratulations to them all! It was also great to see so many of you attend our writing sharing event on Monday. If you have not yet been able to see your child's writing portfolio, do please contact their class teacher to arrange a convenient time.

What a rainy week we have seen, let's hope we see the return of the sunshine soon! When it does appear, please make sure your child is wearing suncream and comes in with both a hat and a water bottle – name of course! Have a superb weekend,

Ms Gibbons



Celebrating Year 3

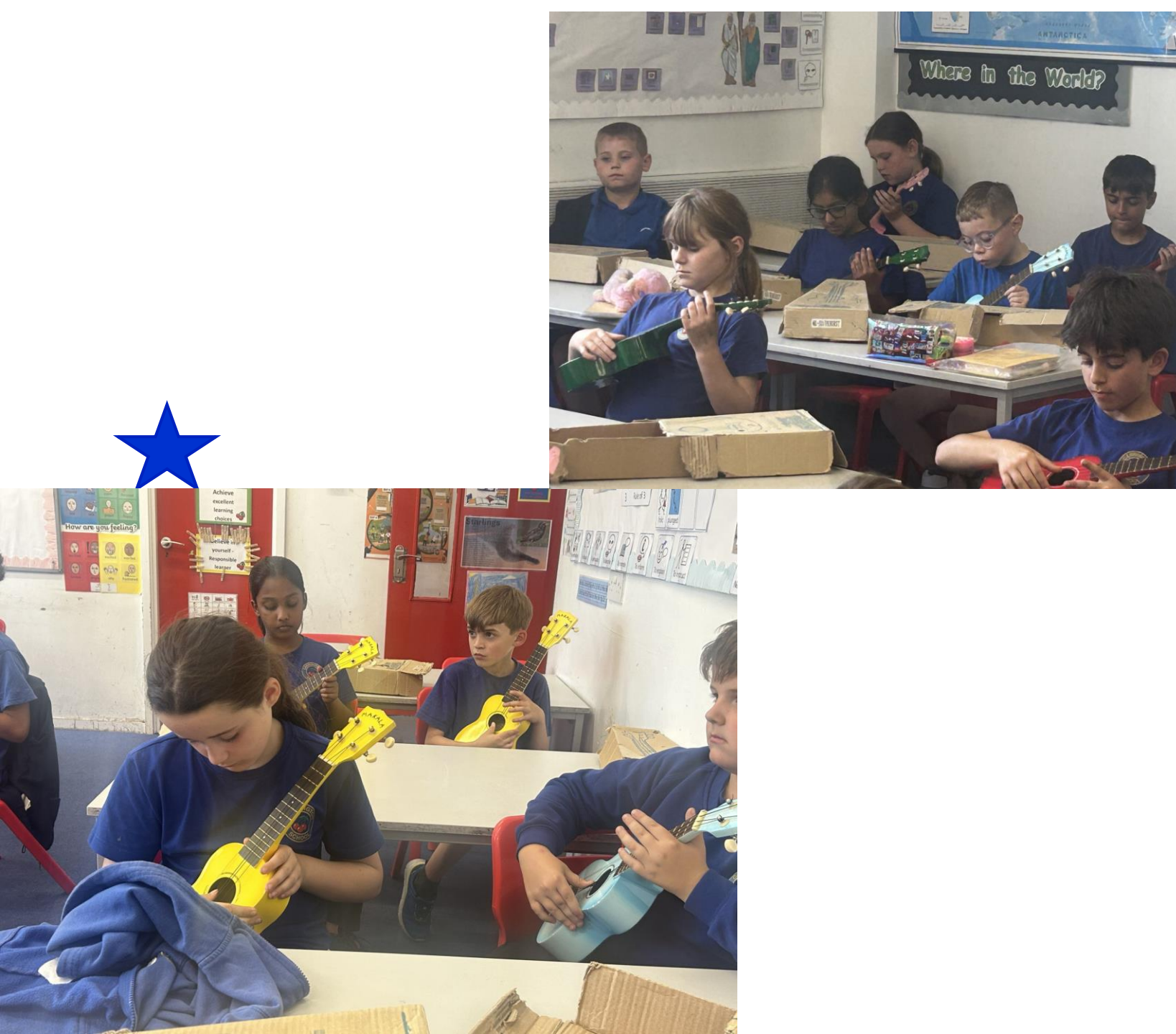
- In year 3 in Science, the children have been looking at magnetic and non-magnetic objects. As a year group we planned and conducted an experiment into what objects are magnetic. They wrote down their predictions and then during the experiment had to note down if their predictions had been correct or not.
- For our conclusion, we learnt that magnets attract magnetic objects such as a paper clip and metal ruler and repel non-magnetic objects such as a water bottle and book.

Year 3 Team 🤝

Celebrating Year 4

Year Four have been very busy learning the ukelele this year with Mr Roberts. From being beginners, they are now playing several different styles of tunes and together as an ensemble. Alongside this, we have been bug hunting around the school for Science - finding many different types of insects, especially spiders in the undergrowth.

We have also completed our Multiplication Tables Check, where they were able to show off their improved times tables knowledge and skills. We are immensely proud of the progress they have made; well done to all!



Celebrating Year 5

- Year 5 had a lovely first day back this week, experiencing a History of Sound workshop. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance that went through a journey of how sound turned into music – from how early human sounds developed into musical tunes and how musical notation was created to enable choristers to learn and rehearse music.
- This week, they have worked their socks off with their assessments, demonstrating amazing focus. We are very proud of them for such great attitudes to learning.



Celebrating Year 6

- Year 6 have been working extremely hard over the last few weeks to complete their final written pieces of English, inspired by the Hound of the Baskervilles. Here they showcased all of their narrative skills in one piece, balancing dialogue, action and description. They should be incredibly proud of the results!
- As we head into the last few weeks of year 6, our English focus has shifted from page to stage. The literacy will now directly link to drama and performance as they began learning lines, exploring characterisation and rehearsing for the highly anticipated end-of-year production – Pirates of the Currybean!



Celebrating Puffin Class

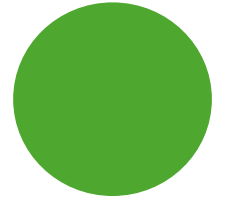
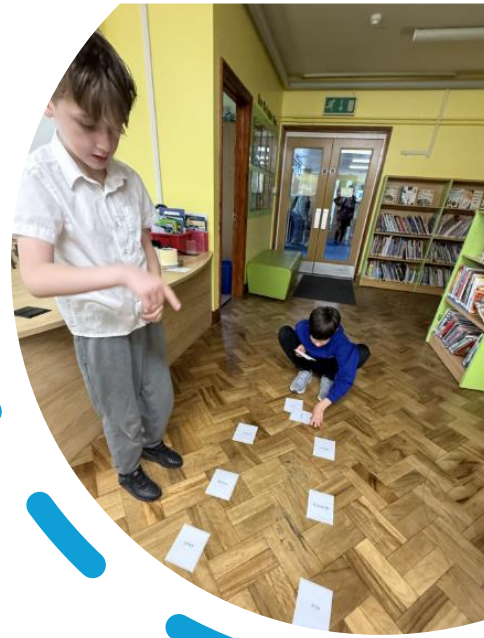
Puffin Class have been busy with a range of exciting activities over the last two weeks!

Year 3, 4 and 5 pupils consolidated their learning in French by practicing French numbers and using French phrases whilst playing a variety of French games, finishing with a classic game of *la marelle* (hopscotch).

During our LEGO STEM session, the children became engineers and worked creatively to complete different building challenges. Some groups designed floating boats, whilst others created a tic-tac-toe board game and an exciting marble maze.

In cooking with Mrs Mehta, a group of pupils made macaroni cheese, whilst other groups have either already enjoyed this activity or will be completing it soon. It certainly looked delicious, and we hope it tasted just as good!

In gardening with Mrs Haywood, the children have been designing and painting their own creature rocks which will be added to our garden area. We have a family of ladybirds and bumblebees now nesting around the school.



Dates for your Diary:

- **Fri 19 June** – PTA Father's Day Sale
- **22, 24, 25 June** – Y6 Bikeability – please make payment before 15 May
- **Tues 23 June PM** – Sports Day
- **Tues 23 June** – Papaya Talk: *'Let's Talk About Our Kids & Their Tech'* @Christchurch @7pm
- **Wed 24 June** – Y4 / Y5 Papaya *'Me and MyScreen'* Workshops
- **Thurs 25 June** – Y5 Language Day at John Hampden
- **Fri 26 June** – non-uniform day for donations to the Adult Tombola (Bottles please)



The full School Calendar is [here](#)
(also available on the Eschool App)

Dates for your Diary (continued)

- **Sat 27 June** – Carrington Summer Fair
- **Fri 3 July** – Book Swap after school
- **Tues 7 July am** – Transition Day
- **Tues 7 July pm** – French Market
- **Mon 13 July** – Y6 Production afternoon performance @1.30pm
- **Tues 14 July** – Y6 Production evening performance @7pm
- **Fri 17 July** – Y6 Leavers Assembly @9.15am
- **Friday 17 July** – 1.15pm finish for Summer Holiday
- **Tues 21 July** – PTA Legoland Trip



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Safeguarding ... IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

On **TUESDAY 23rd JUNE** there will be a
COMMUNITY TALK for all parents of
Carrington Infant School, Carrington
Junior School and Juniper Hill School
about **HOW TO HELP FAMILIES THRIVE IN
A DIGITAL AGE**

The meeting will be run by Papaya Talks
and it is a CRUCIAL meeting for anyone
interested in the impact of social media
and mobile phones on their child and
family.

Please come along
7.00pm - 8.30pm
at
CHRISTCHURCH on Chapel Road



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MOVING UP TO SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR YEAR 6'S

- Explores what to expect at secondary school.
- Learn skills to make friends, deal with peer pressure and address any worries about the move.
- Practical tips about getting organised.



HOW TO BUILD CONFIDENCE AND SELF- ESTEEM

11 TO 19 YEAR OLDS (UP TO 25
WITH SEND)

- Explore ways to increase confidence and self-esteem.
- How to deal with peer pressure and setbacks.
- Explores how the online world affects self-esteem.

HOW TO COPE WITH STRESS, ANXIETY AND LOW MOOD

11 TO 19 YEAR OLDS (UP TO 25
WITH SEND)

- Introduces creative strategies to feel better and to deal with setbacks.
- Helps young people plan for a brighter future.



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LITTLE TALKERS

18 months to 3 years old

- Focuses on children's speech, language and communication skills and how parents can promote them
- Designed by Buckinghamshire Speech and Language Therapy



PARENT PUZZLE

1 to 6 years old

- Understand challenges and how to address them
- How to support your child's growth for calmer parenting



TALKING TEENS

11 to 18 years old

- Focuses on relationships within the family, communication, negotiating, decision-making and strategies to reduce conflict
- Learn more about teenagers and their needs



THE NURTURING PROGRAMME

7 to 11 years old

- Help deal with the challenges that come with parenting
- Think about what we do, why we do it and how it makes us feel



BALANCEABILITY

2.5 to 5 years old

- Accredited learn to cycle programme
- Develops confidence, spatial awareness, dynamic balance, and how to ride without stabilisers



KEEPING YOUR CHILD IN MIND

All ages

- Work together in ways that support growing children and a calmer family life
- Explore the conflict between parents/carers both in a current or previous relationship



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BUCKS COUNTY SHOW

Thursday 27th August 2026

SCHOOL OFFER!



FREE Child Tickets!

You can book entry tickets online and take advantage of our **FREE child ticket** offer. Get up to 3 FREE child tickets (up to 16yrs) with each full paying Adult or Over 65 ticket. To redeem, simply use code **SCHOOL26** at checkout.

Visit www.buckscountyshow.co.uk/tickets or scan the QR code



T&Cs: Offer valid online only. Must be booked using the code SCHOOL26.
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This week's Podcast

We had Emily (Y5), Dana (Y4), Gary and Jessica (Y2). They chose to read 'The Copper Tree' which covers tricky themes of grief and loss in a school environment. The children felt it was important to discuss these issues to show that in their words, there can still be happiness even when we're really sad.

