



Carrington Junior School

Newsletter – 17th April 2026



Kindness . Respect . Honesty



WELCOME TO THE SUMMER TERM

Dear families, it has been such a wonderful week of smiles, hugs, community, Monty, learning, reading to name but a few highlights! The year 6 pupils are incredibly hard working as they creep towards the SATS in May, and I have been particularly pleased with their attitude towards their learning.

Everyone has been very welcoming towards me, and I already feel the Federation is so much stronger with one Executive Head setting the vision for both schools. It is giving me the opportunity to see where we can come together and really support the learning across the schools. Staff in both schools have been encouraged to contact each other and forge stronger bonds so that we can develop the curriculum offer as well as seek out other opportunities for collaboration.

The routines at the school drop off are smoother now that there is a flow of 'traffic' entering and exiting by different gates. Thank you for working with us on this change which is working well.

Next week we would like Year 3 children to be picked up at the end of the day on the grassy area opposite the library entrance. See next slide for a picture

**Next week – CLASS NUMBERS ARE CHANGING TO NAMES.
CONTINUE TO READING TO FIND OUT MORE**

From Mrs Cliffe



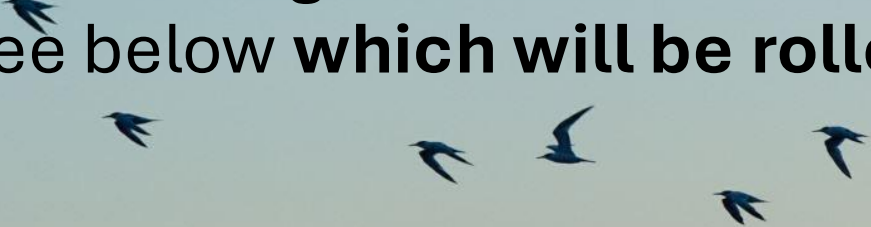
**MRS MARKS
CLASS FROM
HERE**

YEAR 3 PICK UP

**MISS EMMETT'S
CLASS FROM
HERE**

CLASS NAMES ARE CHANGING!!

We are introducing class names rather than numbers therefore please see below **which will be rolled out from MONDAY.**



OLD NAME	NEW NAME	TEACHER
BLOSSOM	PUFFIN	Ms Cox and Mrs Andreopoulos
3C	ROBIN	Mrs Marks
3S	WREN	Miss Emmett
4C	STARLING	Mrs Randall and Mr Withams
4S	GOLDFINCH	Mr Reid
5C	OWL	Mr Shand
5S	SWIFT	Mrs Gent and Mrs Goody
6C	JACKDAW	Ms Gibbons and Mrs Kaca
6S	RED KITE	Mrs Richards



Celebrating Year 3

In Year 3, we are focusing on fractions in maths. We have used fraction walls and Numicon to help us visualise and understand the concept of fractions. The children have learned about the term **numerator and denominator**. **Numerator** refers to the top number in a fraction, indicating how many parts of the whole are being considered. **Denominator** is the bottom number in a fraction that shows the total number of equal parts into which a whole is divided. They have compared and ordered fractions, as well as added fractions with the same denominator to create whole numbers.



Celebrating Year 4

What effect do different drinks have on my teeth?

This is the question that Year Four have been investigating. Using a hard-boiled egg, instead of their teeth, we submerged the egg in: water, apple juice, orange juice, original coke, coke zero and diluted blackcurrant juice. Over the next couple of weeks, we will observe the effect on the egg shell - which is the same enamel that our teeth are made of.

Everyone made predictions as to which drink will have the worst effect and cause decay, and which drink is best for our teeth. The results will be revealed in the next newsletter!



Celebrating Year 5

In English we have started a unit on Biographies on influential people. In this activity the children are finding information in model texts so that they know what they need to include when they write their own in the coming weeks.

In maths the children have started new unit on Shape. So far they have explored angles, where we have classified and estimated them. Today we started using protractors – finding the origin and the base line, key skills for measuring. We will continue to practise and develop this skill – practise makes progress.

This term the children will be taking part in cricket and tennis in PE. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us!



Celebrating Year 6

During PE this week, year 6 have been developing their tennis skills, with a strong focus on ball control and coordination. They have shown great determination and teamwork, building confidence as they begin to apply their skills in mini games and rallies. It was also LOVELY to see Kaiden back with his class on Thursday.



Celebrating Blossom

We have had a great start to the new term in Blossom! The children are really enjoying the book we have been reading in English – *The Boy Who Biked the World* and have shared some brilliant ideas and information with each other. The discussion about what items they would take with them if they were biking around the world was full of useful and some not so useful items.

There have been some great demonstrations of kindness and support from the children towards each other, which has been wonderful to see and has been a lovely start to the new term. It was particularly nice to see one of the older children in Blossom supporting one of the younger children with their sewing in DT, telling in them, “I believe you can do it. You need to believe in yourself. You can do it!”

SPOTLIGHT ON

MAIZIE

Mrs Marks set Maizie the challenge of learning to tie her shoelaces over the Easter holiday. Maizie was excited to show her this week that she had taken responsibility for her learning and rose to the challenge. Whoo hoo Maizie!



Dates for your Diary

- **Tues 21 April** – Y4 Swimming first session – please make payment on ParentPay
- **Thurs 23 April** – School Disco & non-uniform Day
- **Thurs 23 April** – Y4 LEGO®-based STEM workshops
- **Mon 27 April** – School Choir, Echoes 11 @ the Royal Albert Hall
- **Mon 4 May** – Early May Bank Holiday
- **Fri 8 May** – PTA Drag Bingo
- **w/c 11 May** – Year 6 SATS
- **Mon 18 May** – All Juniors school photo
- **w/c 25 May** – Half term
- **Wed 10 June** – 3C trip to Randall's Farm (more info to follow)
- **Fri 12 June** – 3S trip to Randall's Farm (more info to follow)
- **Fri 19 June** – PTA Father's Day Sale



The full School Calendar is [here](#)
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Dates for your Diary (continued)

- **22, 24, 25 June** – Y6 Bikeability
- **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 My Screen* Workshops
- **Thurs 25 June** – Y5 Language Day at John Hampden (more info to follow)
- **Sat 27 June** – PTA Summer Fair
- **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



Our PTA School Disco is nearly here and we can't wait! 🎉

👧 Infants: 3:30pm – 4:15pm
(please collect your child from infants)

🎵 Years 3 & 4: 4:30pm – 5:45pm

👑 Years 5 & 6: 6:00pm – 7:15pm

🎒 £5 Disco & Mufti Day

PTA Legoland Tickets are back!!

Online bookings now
live on [Classlist](#) under
the 'Events' listing



New Spring / Summer Menu

	MAIN MEAL 1	MAIN MEAL 2	SIDES	PUDDING
Monday	Baked macaroni cheese with garlic bread (V)	Mediterranean vegetable bake (V)	Garlic bread, Peas, Sweetcorn	Vanilla cookie (V)
Tuesday	Creamy chicken tikka with steamed rice	Creamy vegetable tikka with steamed rice (V)	Green beans, Carrots	Chocolate Krispie cake (V)
Wednesday	Roast turkey with stuffing and gravy	Vegetable wellington with gravy (Ve)	Roast potatoes, Mixed vegetables	Vanilla sponge (V)
Thursday	Cheese and tomato pizza	Roasted vegetable pizza (V)	Baked wedges, Mixed salad	Chocolate orange brownie (V)
Friday	Fish cakes	Quorn nuggets (Ve)	Chips, Baked beans, Peas	Sprinkle sponge (V)

WEEK 2 - 20/04, 11/05, 08/06, 29/06, 20/07, 07/09, 28/09, 19/10

	MAIN MEAL 1	MAIN MEAL 2	SIDES	PUDDING
Monday	Turkey and cheese tortilla wrap	Roasted vegetable, tomato and cheese wrap (Ve)	Baked wedges, Mixed salad	Vanilla cookie (V)
Tuesday	Traditional beef lasagne	Baked macaroni cheese with garlic bread (V)	Sweetcorn, Peas	Lemon flapjack (Ve)
Wednesday	Sausage and mash with gravy	Quorn sausage and mash with gravy (Ve)	Mixed vegetables	Toffee sponge (V)
Thursday	Sticky BBQ glazed chicken	Vegetable chilli (V)	Steamed rice, Broccoli, Carrots	Vanilla Shortbread (Ve)
Friday	Chicken nuggets	Green veggie burger (Ve)	Chips, Baked beans, Peas	Chocolate brownie (V)

WEEK 3 - 27/04, 18/05, 15/06, 06/07, 14/09, 05/10

	MAIN MEAL 1	MAIN MEAL 2	SIDES	PUDDING
Monday	Creamy garlic chicken penne	Tomato and pesto penne (V)	Garlic bread, Mixed salad	Carrot cake (V)
Tuesday	Beef taco with steamed rice	Vegetable chilli taco with rice (V)	Peas, Sweetcorn	Chocolate chip cookie (V)
Wednesday	Roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding and gravy	Cheesy vegetable bake (Ve)	Roast potatoes, Mixed vegetables	Sprinkle sponge (V)
Thursday	Breaded chicken burger	Quorn burger (Ve)	Baked wedges, Carrots, Broccoli	Chocolate brownie (V)
Friday	Fish fingers	Quorn nuggets (Ve)	Chips, Baked beans, Peas	Oaty biscuit (Ve)

Menu Key:

(V) - Vegan

(V) - Vegetarian

(APP) - Added Plant Power

Available
everyday:



FRESH FRUIT

COMING SOON!



BUCKS
food
hub

ALLERGY INFORMATION - We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of cross contamination. If your child has an allergy or intolerance, please speak to your child's school or the Cook Manager on site before ordering your meal for more information. Forms are available through our website or via the school.

23 - 26 JULY 2026

Klarna

HENHAM PARK, SUFFOLK

PRESENTS
LATITUDE
the twentieth edition

B B C

Children's Poetry Competition

NOW OPEN FOR ENTRIES ON
THE THEME OF GENERATIONS

OPEN TO CHILDREN AGED 7-11 *in*

SUFFOLK

NORFOLK

CAMBRIDGESHIRE

BEDFORDSHIRE

HERTFORDSHIRE

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

ESSEX

NORTHAMPTON

Submit your poems by
MIDDAY ON FRIDAY 24TH APRIL

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Our School Nursing Team can help with things like:

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Development

Toileting

Wellbeing

Healthy eating

Sleep

Emotional health

Find advice on supporting your
child's health and wellbeing.



www.healthforkids.co.uk/buckinghamshire

Message your local school nursing team:

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