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Dear Parents & Carers

Message from Mrs Majcher

As I write I am pleased to say that we are still using the field at break and lunch times. All the dry weather this summer means that the field is still worthy of a game or two!

Well Done Year 6

We have been very impressed by our Year 6 children this year. They completed the 11+ papers very sensibly, have done SATs practice papers and in particular have undertaken their duties around the school with such pride and confidence. The prefects have shown visitors around the school, the garden monitors have kept the site tidy, admin assistants have delivered mail around the school, book monitors have kept our book shelves tidy ... the list goes on. I don't think I will ever forget their faces as they came to collect their badges for their special duties.

House Captains et al

We have now selected the captains and vice-captains for our new houses. Again this was a very democratic process where the majority vote won. I was very impressed with the speeches – lots of very good ideas were aired. We will have house assemblies every half term which will be led by the children. I would like to thank Mr Talbot for all his hard work in sorting this out for us. We also have Sports Representatives who have a say about PE and games, and of course our Learning and School Council representatives. With so many in charge, I can put my feet up ...

Thank You

We have had an amazing response to our voluntary contribution letter already. I must say that I have worked in different counties, in different schools but the parents/carers in Carrington Junior are very caring and responsive.

Library reminder

Just a reminder that we are no longer using the community library. Flackwell Heath Community library is open Tuesday, 10 am to 7 pm, Thursday and Friday 10 am to 5 pm and Saturday 10 am to 1 pm.

Meeting Teachers

A gentle reminder that teachers are in class teaching from 8.40am onwards. This is not a good time to meet with a teacher. If you would like to meet a teacher, please pop a note in the Home School Diary or phone reception for an appointment. It is really important that any issues, no matter how slight are resolved as quickly as possible.

Nut Allergies

We have children at school who have severe nut allergies. Just a reminder that no food items containing nuts are allowed in school.

Schoolrun.com

At Carrington Junior School we value your support in your child's education. We also know that from time to time things will come up that you may not have used since you were at school yourself, or which are new altogether. There are lots of websites to help with this. One which has a good free section full of definitions and examples is theschoolrun.com.

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School Attendance

Last academic year our attendance was 96% which is average. Well done everyone. Let's see if we can improve on this figure this year. Being in school everyday is essential for good progress and attainment and last year we could clearly see that those with poor attendance did not progress as well. Please try to make medical appointments, whenever possible, outside of the school day and if we feel that your child/ren are too poorly to be in school we will let you know.

Year 6 reminder

Please make your choices for secondary schools by October 31st. If you require any assistance with making the application on line, our lovely office ladies are more than happy to help.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Time
Wednesday 3 rd October	Year 4 visit to Christ Church	Afternoon
Thursday 4 th October	Drop & Stop	9 am to 11 am
Thursday 4 th October	Y6 School Nursing team visit	Afternoon
Friday 5 th October	4S Assembly	2.45 pm
Friday 12 th October	11+ Results Day	End of day
Tuesday 16 th October	Parent/Carer consultation evening	3.30 pm – 6.30 pm
Wednesday 17 th October	Prospective Year 3 Parents Meeting	11 am
Wednesday 17 th October	Parent/Carer consultation evening	3.30 pm – 6.00 pm
Thursday 18 th October	Y4 Greek Day	All day
Friday 19 th October	Harvest Festival lead by Year 5	2.45 pm
Monday 22 nd October to Friday 26 th October	Half Term	All week
Monday 29 th October	Inset Day – school closed	All day
Tuesday 6 th November	Y5 Trip to Ufton Court	All day
Friday 9 th November	6C Assembly	2.45 pm
Wednesday 14 th November	Drop and Stop	9 am to 11 am
Thursday 15 th November	Y3,4 and 5 Flu Vaccinations	School time
Friday 30 th November	6S Assembly	2.45 pm
Wednesday 5 th December	Book Look	3.30 pm to 4.00 pm
Thursday 6 th December	Book Look	8.15 am to 8.40 am
Wednesday 12 th December	Nativity Play by Year 3	2.00 pm
Thursday 13 th December	Nativity Play by Year 3	6.00 pm
Friday 14 th December	Christmas Jumper day	All day
Friday 14 th December	Christmas Dinner	Lunchtime
Wednesday 19 th December	School Closes for Christmas	1.00 pm

A New PTA

We have a new committee in charge for the year. They have lots of great ideas for raising money for your children over the year. They have a new app called Classlist which is a private and secure website designed for communication between the PTA, class reps, year groups and parents/carers. You can keep your own contact details private whilst still receiving messages. Communications are received through the app and can be forwarded by email. I would like to say a sincere thank you to the old committee.

Updating our Library Area

Over the year, I would like to revamp this area. I would like to buy an amazing selection of books for the children to enjoy and make the space a lovely working area. The money raised by the PTA last year will be used as a start.