Carrington Junior School

Carrington Schools Federation

11th September 2026

Dear Families

It has been a wonderful start to the new school year, and all our new children have settled in brilliantly. Thank you to all the parents who attended the New Parent Meetings on Tuesday. It was great to see so many of you there and to begin building those important home-school partnerships. For anyone who was unable to attend, please do introduce yourself to the new class teacher at pick up time.

On Tuesday, Mrs Barron and I met with Larissa, our Town Councillor, and colleagues from Juniper School to discuss ways we can work together to help improve parking and road safety around the village. If this is something you feel passionate about and would like to support through a small working group, we would love to hear from you. Please contact the school office if you are interested.

One of the ideas we will be introducing is the Junior Road Safety Officer (JRSO) programme. We are inviting children in Year 5 to submit a short proposal explaining why they would like to become a JRSO and how they could help promote road safety within our school community. If your child is interested, please can they write and send their application letter to Ms Gibbons by 30th September. We look forward to reading their ideas!

I would like to wish all our children, staff, and families a restful and enjoyable weekend. Thank you for your hard work, enthusiasm, and support throughout the week. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for another week of learning and fun.

In with a Bang, Out with a Bang - Celebrating Every Child

This year, we will be introducing a special daily class celebration to help every child feel valued, recognised and included. Each day, one child will be chosen at random and will receive a special poster. Throughout the day, children and staff will share kind words, compliments and positive comments about that child, which will be added to the poster. The finished poster will be displayed on the classroom door so everyone can join in the celebration, and the child will then take it home at the end of the day as a keepsake. We started this on Monday so some of your children may have already spoken about this.

Importantly, this is something that every child will experience. Being celebrated is not something that has to be earned, and it cannot be taken away. Our aim is to ensure that every child knows they belong, are valued and are an important part of our school community. Once every child has had their special day, we will have completed the celebration cycle, which will only be repeated at the end of the school year. Together, we hope to create a culture of kindness where everyone feels truly special.

Knowledge Organisers

The knowledge organisers for this half term's topics across the school are now available on our website. We encourage you to discuss the content with your child at home, as this will help reinforce their learning and support their understanding of the topics being covered in school.

https://www.carringtonjs.co.uk/web/key_info/435013

Medication & healthcare plans
If your child has an ongoing condition that the school is aware of e.g. asthma, allergies, please make sure that their medication has been brought to the school office in a clear plastic bag with their name on, in the original pharmacy packaging.
If you are a new parent to the school, please drop the healthcare plan and consent paperwork to the school office.

Flu immunisation next week
The flu spray will be administered next week in school. An email has been sent to opt your child in or out. Please see attached poster for information.

School lunches – action required
Due to an update that needs to be made by the provider in the back end of the system, please can all parents login and check their future orders over the weekend as it is possible that the update will remove any pre-orders for meals containing meat. Thank you for understanding and apologies for the inconvenience.

Junior school pick up for Infant parents – change of arrangements
If you have children in the infant school and the junior school, please collect your infant child first and then make your way through the gate between the two schools. For safety reasons, please do not walk between parked cars to access the gate. We kindly ask that you use the crossing and pathway opposite the EYFS playground. Please note that this gate will only be open from 3:20 pm. For safety reasons, it will remain closed in the morning while vehicles are moving on site. Thank you for your cooperation.

Dates for the diary
Weds 16th Sept – Flu immunisation in school, please complete consent forms
Weds 23rd Sept – Individual & sibling photos (CJS only), full school uniform
Fri 25th Sept – Big Clothes Day for children with cancer (more info to follow)
w/c 28th Sept – Book Fair
Weds 14th Oct – Great Athletes visiting school
Weds 21st Oct – The RAP School Workshops (all year groups)
Tues 20th, Weds 21st Oct - Parent consultations
Fri 23rd Oct – Harvest festival / boxes of kindness
Mon 26th – Fri 30th Oct – HALF TERM

Kind regards,
Ms Gibbons
Head of School