

Carrington Junior School Newsletter

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WE JUST WANT TO SAY...
THANK YOU!

Dear Parents & Carers

Message from Mrs Majcher

The weather is certainly becoming chilly and the frosts are becoming frequent occurrences. Please could you ensure that the children come to school with their cardigans, jumpers, and coats. It was great fun choosing the 'best guy' at the Fireworks Event. The 'I hate November 5th' written on his shirt definitely did it for me! Well done to all who entered the competition.

Best Book Awards

At the start of each new term and half term we will be awarding one child per class with the above reward. This will be for the neatest book. A certificate will be issued in assembly and the class teacher will explain to the school why this child was chosen.

Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who helped, bought books and enjoyed our book fair. It was a very busy event and we raised an amazing £428 for the school to spend on books.

Goodbye to ...

Mrs Shand, our cook, left us just before half term. She had worked at the school for a number of years and had been a governor for a while also. Mrs Shand was very sorry to go but she had found herself a full time job. We will miss her. We welcome Mrs Randall who has had previous catering experience as our new catering assistant.

Attendance

"Absences add up! Missing just 2 days a month means a child misses 10% of the school year." – Attendance Counts

Our absence rates are beginning to creep up again. Please try to send your child to school as often as possible. If they are not well we will contact you.

There is a strong correlation between good progress and good attendance, which if you think about it makes perfect sense. Your child needs to be in school to learn. It's as simple as that!

Once your child has returned from an absence, please put the reason for the absence in writing for our records.

Class Assemblies

Our class assemblies are now at the new time of 2.45pm on Fridays. So far we have had two at the new time. It is lovely to see you at our assemblies and it means so much to the children.

School Fund

From January 2018, we will be re-introducing donations towards the School Fund on a termly basis. We are suggesting a donation of £10 per term but should you wish to give more then please feel free to do so. Money collected towards the School Fund is invaluable and is used to enhance the curriculum.



Hot Meals

A reminder that you need to order a hot lunch for your child before 9.30 am each day.
Ordering can be done in advance weekly, monthly or even termly.

Harvest Festival

Year 5 did a wonderful job of organising our Harvest Festival. We supported the One Can Trust. Thank you for all your donations. We shall be delivering them to One Can who will distribute them accordingly.

World Mental Health Day

Thank you for your support. We raised £196.00.

New Books, books, books

Each class has brand new dictionaries and thesauruses to use. We have purchased these from Collins. This is such an important resource for children to improve both their reading and writing skills.

Each year group has new grammar and comprehension schemes. Again this will improve both reading and writing skills.

Big Cat have released new titles and we have bought them all. Our children are really enjoying these books and they will have even more to choose from.

In fact the Commissioning Editor from Collins Big Cat is coming to meet me soon to hear what we have to say about their books. I can't wait!

I would like to thank the PTA for purchasing the dictionaries and reading books for us. It's an amazing way to use your money.

Chapel Road & Drivers

As you are aware, Gilly is still off sick and we all wish him a speedy recovery. We would like to remind everyone who drives along Chapel Road at school drop-off and pick-up time to ensure they drive slowly and responsibly and to be aware of children crossing the road.

Year 6 Volunteer Wanted!

If any parent/carer or member of the community has experience of working in school or as a teaching assistant and could spare 5 or less mornings a week, on a regular basis, to work with our Year 6 children until May, please contact the school.



Dates for the Diary

Event	Date & Time
Parent Forum	Friday 17 November @ 2pm
Book Look	Tuesday 5 th December 8.15-8.40 am
Book Look	Wednesday 6 th December 3.30-4.00 pm
Y3 Christmas Nativity	Tuesday 12 December, afternoon performance
Y6 Carol Service	Wednesday 13 December @ 2pm
Y3 Christmas Nativity	Thursday 14 December, evening performance
School closes for Christmas	Tuesday 19 December @ 1pm

