



15th October 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

NEWSLETTER No: 2 Autumn Term

Welcome to another update on the exciting things we are doing here at Carlton Junior Academy. Please make sure your child is wearing warmer clothing and brings a coat to school as the weather is definitely starting to chill a little (but with the odd warm spell thrown in too)! Please check the dates list as there have already been some changes!

Attached with this newsletter is a Pupil Privacy Notice – this is also available on our website.



PUPIL VOICE – CARLTON CABINET

Following recent class elections our new Carlton Cabinet ‘Ministers’ have been appointed. They are being supported in their activities by Miss Daly. We hope

they have a very productive year and look forward to hearing about what they are getting up to!

Class	Name	Ministerial Role
Silver Birch	Romy Kitchiner Abigail Langsdale	Extra-Curricular Resources
Rowan	Sadaqat Islam Abigail Lamb	Eco Promotions
Hazel	Riley Buxton Mia Jorgensen	Values Health & Safety
Holly	Aidan Davis Millie Myers	Eco Promotions
Oak	Georgia Wilson Drew Bentley	Charity Sports
Chestnut	Corbyn Richardson Amber Antcliffe	Homework Reading
Pear	Ruby Cutts Clayton Wilson	Prime Minister Welfare
Willow	Reece Cave Imaan Khan	Finance Communications

WEBSITE – www.thecarltonjunioracademy.org.uk

This is our new web address. We are currently in the process of updating the photographs on the site, following a recent photo shoot – so keep an eye out for these. There is also lots of useful and statutory information, as well as a calendar of events, details about the school, our classes,

staffing, Governors and supporting children with SEND.

ICT NEWS – Live Streaming

Live streaming is the term used to describe the broadcast of a real-time video from a mobile device, tablet or games console. Many live streaming apps have the functionality for interactions from viewers, such as commenting, live chats and sending reactions during the broadcast. Live streaming opens up a world of excitement for children, where they can watch live concerts, their favourite celebrities and bloggers/vloggers, connect with their friends, watch live gaming and much, much more.

Whilst there are many positives with live streaming, it creates a worldwide platform for unsuitable content to be streamed and creates a host of dangers for children. We are attaching a guide with this newsletter which you might find interesting and useful.

FRENCH CLUB

Anna Vasco from La Jolie Ronde is continuing to run a pre-school French club every Monday morning. If your child is interested in joining the club which runs from 8am – 8.40am please see Mrs Belshaw in the school office for more details.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

This will be held at St Paul’s church at 2pm on Wednesday, 24th October. The celebration will involve the whole school and be led by Rev. Wendy. Parents/carers are most welcome to come along and you will be able to take your child



home direct from the church after the service – please let your child’s class teacher know if you wish to do this.

OPEN EVENINGS & BOOK FAIR

For Silver Birch class **only** these are today, Monday, 15th & Thursday, 18th October. For all other classes they are on Wednesday, 17th & Thursday 18th October. Letters with appointment request slips were sent home earlier this week. Please do attend as this is a great opportunity to see how your child is progressing so far this year and to build on our home/school partnerships.

Whilst waiting for your Open Evening appointment, please take the opportunity to have a browse at our Autumn Term book fair and maybe select a book to share with your child.

This fair is being provided by ‘The Book People’. The fair will be open between 17th – 24th October in the school hall - until 4pm at the end of the each school day. A wide selection of books will be available to purchase.

(A ‘Scholastic’ book fair is being held later in the year.)

BOOK CLUB

This is run by Mrs Gordon every Wednesday afternoon. Children save up to buy books of their choice – the minimum amount they can bring in is 20p.

ATTENDANCE, PUNCTUALITY & TERM TIME HOLIDAYS

This continues to be an important issue for us. Our whole school skiing lesson reward scheme, the same as previous years, has been launched by Mrs Wood in a whole school assembly. All children who achieve an attendance level of 97%+ up to the **12th July 2019** will have a skiing lesson at the Tamworth Snowdome. **Also, NEW for this year, should your child take any time off school for an unauthorised holiday – they will not qualify for this reward.**

Again children who are late (for trivial reasons) will not receive the reward. **‘On time’ is in school**



between 8.40–8.50am. Mrs Hodgson will also be doing occasional spot checks on children who are late to school.

Attendance percentages will be noted in your child’s personal organisers before half-term, so keep an eye out to see if your child is on target. Remember authorised illnesses/medicals still count as absences and these types of absence do reduce your child’s chances of receiving the reward.



LETTERS - we often have issues with letters getting home to parents! Please check in the back of your child’s personal organiser (there’s a plastic wallet where letters home should be). All important school dates are listed on every newsletter and are available on the website which is updated every time a newsletter is produced.

VOLUNTEER HELPERS

We really want to encourage parents, grandparents & carers to come into school and help support our community. This can for example be with reading, art, general classroom activities, swimming on Mondays and can be as little or as much time as you like. We also would love some help maintaining our two vegetable patches and school pond. Please contact the school office if you are interested – we would be very grateful!

MOBILE PHONES



Please can we again remind you that mobile phones **are not allowed in school.** Should a child still choose to bring a phone into school ‘illegally’, any loss or damage remains the responsibility of parents.

In addition any phones brought in will be confiscated and parents will have to come into school to collect them from school reception.

INDIVIDUAL MUSIC TUITION

The music lessons provided by the Arts Support Service have been running for a few weeks now. Violin is on Tuesday,



woodwind is on Wednesday and guitar on Friday. Now we know who is continuing with lessons we are able to offer two places for violin tuition and two for woodwind. If your child is interested in lessons please contact Mrs Hall in the school office as soon as possible for further details.

YEAR 6 SATS WEEK

Another reminder of Y6 SATs week which is from Monday, 13th May 2019. These are very important tests and we would urge parents/carers to try and ensure your child does not miss any vital lesson time this year. Unless there are **exceptional** circumstances (i.e. illness on the day) your child cannot sit the tests at any other time (**term time holidays are not exceptional**).



We would also remind Parents/Carers that statutory writing assessments continue until the end of June 2019 so request that Y6 parents continue to ensure their children are in school throughout this vital period of your child's primary education.



PLAYGROUND UPDATE

The re-surfacing works to the playground have finally been completed! The next stage is for some thermoplastic markings to be applied to a 1/3rd of the playground. These will

be brightly coloured playground games that we are very excited about! Hopefully these will be installed over the October half-term. We are also looking into marking out a netball pitch on the middle section of the playground- but due to this being rubberised safety surfacing, we are having to look into what options there may be – as thermoplastic markings cannot be applied.

CLOTHING COLLECTION

A reminder that on Thursday, 18th October we are having one of our termly clothing collections. This provides you with the ideal opportunity to clear all those clothes out of your wardrobe ready for your new winter collection! Please bring any clothing donations



before the collection day – as they do sometimes come very early! The more we collect the more income we receive.

MEDICINES IN SCHOOL

Please can we remind parents/carers that medication cannot be given in school without the correct permission pro-forma being completed and signed. A note in your child's organiser is not sufficient authorisation. In addition parents/carers must bring in and collect the medicine – not send it with their child. Many thanks.

PFA CHRISTMAS FAIR

This popular annual event will be at 3pm on Friday, 7th December. If you are able to help on the day, please let Mrs Belshaw or Mrs Hall know. We are also looking for donations of wine, chocolates, toiletries etc. Please bring any donations to the school office – many thanks.



YOGHURTS AT LUNCHTIMES

Our school kitchen is running short of metal teaspoons due to children taking them home! If your child brings a packed lunch and has a yoghurt included, please could you send in a spoon with your child for them to eat their yoghurts with, they can then bring them home with their lunchbox. This would hopefully solve our current spoon crisis! Many thanks.

STAFF CAR PARK & DRIVEWAY

Please note that **without prior permission, no cars are to use the school driveway**. Please park on the road and walk up to school. If you do have permission, please arrive 5 minutes before the end of the school day and wait until the drive is clear before driving down.

Also, please use the footpath to access the school site – **do not** enter school through the main vehicular access gates – there have been serious injuries caused by gates closing on children. We would also request that you do not permit children to swing on the side gates. Many thanks for your support with these requests.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Also attached is a school holiday pattern & INSET days for 2018/19. As the year progresses there will be additions and possibly alterations to these dates, but we will keep you updated with regular newsletters and other communications.



October

- Mon 15th Open Evening (**Silver Birch only**)
- Tues 16th 'Heart Start' – whole school CPR training - more details to follow
- Weds 17th - 24th Book Fair
- Weds 17th Open Evening (**all classes except Silver Birch**)
- Thurs 18th Open Evening (**all classes**)
- Fri 19th Y5/6 evacuee talks with Mrs Hunter's Mum (who was an evacuee!)
- Weds 24th 2pm Harvest Celebration at St Paul's Church

HALF TERM – 29th October – 2nd November 2018

November

- Thurs 8th pm - Whole school visit to Remembrance Games
- Fri 9th 10am – Remembrance Service (school hall)
- Mon 12th - 16th Anti-Bullying Week
- Tues 13th 9am Chestnut class assembly
- Fri 16th Children in Need
- Weds 28th 2pm – 3pm School Choir to Willowbrook Care Home
- Friday 30th Flu Spray Y3/4/5

December

- Tues 4th Y3/4 Space Centre visit
- Weds 5th 9am Rowan class assembly
- Thurs 6th Evolution Dance Festival
- Fri 7th PFA Christmas Fair
- Sun 9th 4pm - 6pm School Choir to Nottingham Albert Hall
- Mon 10th Y5/6 visit to Holocaust Centre
- Tues 11th 2pm dress rehearsal Christmas Production
- Weds 12th 2pm & 6pm performances of Christmas Production
- Thurs 13th Y6 to TCA Christmas Production – 12pm – 3pm
- Fri 14th Christmas Jumper Day
- Tues 18th Y3/4 party pm
- Weds 19th Year 5/6 party pm
- Thurs 20th 9am Final Awards Assembly (Autumn Term)
- Fri 21st Last day of Autumn Term

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY 24st December 2018 – 5th January 2019

January

- Mon 7th First day of Spring Term

February

- Mon 4th Open Evening
- Tues 5th Internet Safety Day
- Weds 6th Open Evening

Thurs 14th Valentine's Day lunch with parents/carers

HALF TERM 18th – 22nd February 2019

March

w/c 4th Shakespeare week
Weds 6th 9am Holly class assembly
Thurs 7th World Book Day (Book Fair starts for 1 week)
Mon 11th TCA arts exhibition opens
Fri 15th Comic Relief – Red Nose day
Mon 18th- 25th Bikeability Y6 (tbc)
Fri 26th Bikeability transition Y6 (tbc)

April

Thurs 4th pm Y6 pre-SATs yoga sessions start (final session on Thursday, 9th May)
Fri 5th Final Awards Assembly (Spring Term)

EASTER HOLIDAY 8th April – 22nd April 2019

April

Tues 23rd First day of Summer Term

May

Mon 6th May Day – school closed
Mon 13th Y6 SATs week

HALF TERM 27th May – 31st May 2019

June

Weds 12th Class photos
Weds 26th 9am Silver Birch class assembly
Fri 28th INSET day – school closed

July

Mon 1st INSET day – school closed
Weds 3rd Y6 TCA/CLW transition day
Thurs 4th am Sports Day
Mon 16th Y6 Leavers' Disco 6pm - 8pm
Weds 17th Family Afternoon and picnic lunch
Thurs 18th 2pm - Y6 Leavers' assembly
Fri 19th Final Awards Assembly
Mon 22nd- Weds 24th Hagg Farm Y5/6 visit
Thurs 25th 1st day of summer holiday

This has been another exciting start to the year here at TCJA and there is so much planned for the remainder of the – we really can't wait! Should you have any queries or problems, please do pop in to see us to have a chat.

Miss Julie Wardle
Executive Head teacher

Mrs Sharon Wood
Head of School

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