

4th November 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,



THE CARLTON JUNIOR ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER No: 2 Autumn Term 2022



The half term break already seems so long ago! As the second half of the Autumn term starts, things are moving on apace here. It has been a great first week back, so I thought I would share what's to come and some of our great news with you. As the days get shorter and darker, please make sure your children come into school on time, so they receive optimal learning time. We need excellent attendance this half term too! As we work towards Christmas, things get even busier so please check the calendar for parties, plays, the Christmas fair and other fun events.

CONGRATULATIONS!

You will be delighted to hear that Mrs de Gilbert has welcomed her baby son, born on 18th October 2022! Some lovely news at the start of the new half-term. We send the whole family our very best wishes and we look forward to meeting baby de Gilbert.

YEAR 3

A reminder that Universal Free School Meals end when your child leaves the infants and an application for free school meals is then required. **If you think you may be eligible for free school meals ask at the office about how to apply – the academy receives additional funding for every child who qualifies!**

BREAKFAST CLUB

This runs from 7.45am – 8.40am and is staffed by Miss Beeton & Mrs Belshaw. The cost is £3.00 per day and includes breakfast and childcare. If you are interested in your child attending breakfast club, please contact the office. Please use our online payment system ParentPay to pay breakfast club fees. Letters with instructions on how to register for an account are available from the office.

CARLTON CELEBRATES

Our celebration assemblies got off to a great start last half-term. It's been lovely to see so many of you supporting the 'Take Care' work and helping us to grow the academy values. The next Celebration Assemblies will be on **Friday 18th November**. Y5 & Y6 parents/carers are invited to celebrate with us at 9.00-9.30am, followed by Y3 & Y4 parents/carers at 9.30-10.00am. We do ask that no more than two people attend per family. Mobile phones must be turned off or silenced and photographs/recordings are not allowed. As this is Children in Need day, any donated cakes will be on sale during these assemblies.

FLU SPRAY

This is scheduled for the whole school on **Wednesday, 9th November**. You will need to fill in the online form even if you don't want your child to have the flu spray.

Your child won't receive the flu spray unless you have given consent. Please complete the online form, if you haven't already done so, by following the link:

<https://www.nottinghamshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

REACH OUT – ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

The week 14th - 18th November is Anti-Bullying week. The theme this year is 'Reach Out' which is supporting all children to understand the collective responsibility required to stop **bullying**. Odd Socks Day will mark the start of Anti-Bullying Week. This helps to celebrate what makes us all unique and spread kindness! Odd Socks Day 2022 is supported by cBeebies presenter and ABA patron Andy Day and his band 'Andy and the Odd Socks'.

CELEBRATING OUR DIVERSITY

As part of our Science Learning, we have been investigating and celebrating the role of Maggie Aderin Pocock. We have looked at how she has overcome a variety of challenges in her life to become a 'super scientist' and an inspiration to us all.

WIDER COMMUNITY

The whole academy enjoyed visiting St Paul's Church to celebrate Harvest Festival. It was great to see so many parents/carers joining us to enjoy the readings and singing. We have some real talent across the academy. Our aim is to grow confidence in our pupils through enjoying and participating in these events.

REMEMBRANCE

On 11th November there will be a remembrance assembly. Children will be joined by Martin Kerry from the Sherwood Rangers Yeomanry and is also a Governor here at Carlton Juniors. In the afternoon, Martin will support us in some orchard planting! We will again be raising funds for the annual Poppy Appeal. We hope to have poppies available to buy next week. The box will be collected by a member of the British Legion and they will let us know the total raised in due course.

We'd also like to take this opportunity to thank Reverend Wendy and Martin Kerry for delivering a wonderful service at St. Paul's Church, dedicated to the memory of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. This was held on the Friday prior to the official state funeral.

PFA CHRISTMAS FAIR

This popular event is BACK – we have so missed our Christmas fun! The Fair will be held at 3pm on Friday, 9th December. If you can help on the day, please let Mrs Belshaw or Mrs Cooke know. There will be the return of some exciting games, the hugely popular tombola, raffle, cakes, refreshments & gifts to buy.

We're also looking for donations of chocolates, toiletries, teddies, wine etc. Please bring any donations to the academy office. Also, on the day we need **LOTS** of cakes to sell on the cake stall. These can be brought into us on the morning of the fair and are always very popular. Thank you so much!

MRS DALY

Mrs Daly will be temporarily leaving us, as she prepares to welcome her first child. Her last day in school will be 11th November 2022. We wish her all the best and the baby news will follow when we have it!

CHILDREN IN NEED

Our academy is excited to be joining with many others around the UK to participate in this annual fundraising programme. On Friday 18th November, children can come to school wearing something yellow, something spotty or even a onesie! If your child wishes to join in, donations of £1 are welcome for the Children in Need Appeal. We're also asking for donation of cakes/biscuits which will be sold to parents/carers at our celebration assemblies. Any cakes left over will then be sold to the children at break time.

PUPIL VOICE – CARLTON CABINET

Earlier this term we held class elections to appoint our new Carlton Cabinet 'Ministers' - see below. They are being supported in their activities by Mrs Charlesworth. We are sure the Cabinet will have a very productive year and look forward to hearing about what they are getting up to!

Class	Ministers
Cherry	Isabelle, Robin & Liam
Hazel	Amelia, Quinn & Nicholas
Holly	Theo & Maya
Maple	Isla, Jasper & Kyle
Silver Birch	Roxanna, Mason & Tazmin
Plum	Zelda, Marek & Zion
Pear	Seren, Leo & Alicja
Willow	Max, Kyla B & Lucan

CLASS ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES (UP TO AUTUMN HALF-TERM)

- Hazel – 96.48%
- Cherry – 92.43%
- Holly – 92.12%
- Maple – 94.13%
- Silver Birch – 92.87%
- Plum – 95.48%
- Pear – 92.37%
- **Willow – 96.79%**

Willow were the best attended class in the first half of the Autumn term, well done. **As you know we have very high targets for our attendance and we would really like to see attendance levels around 98% if we can.** Let's see if every class can get everyone much closer to that by the end of the Autumn term – fingers crossed!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We hope this gives you an idea of the busy year ahead. More dates will be arranged no doubt and some will change although we will do our best to let you know in advance of any changes.

(tbc – to be confirmed)

November

- Mon 7th Deadline for photo orders
- Weds 9th Flu spray – all year groups
- Thurs 10th National Science Day
2pm Happy Families coffee morning at the Infants
- Fri 11th Remembrance Assembly
pm – orchard planting
- w/c Mon 14th Anti-bullying week
- Fri 18th Children in Need



December

- Tues 6th 9.15am Y6 DARE Graduation
- Fri 9th Dec 3pm Christmas Fair
- Weds 14th 2pm & 6pm Christmas Production
- Thurs 15th pm – Y6 to TCA's Christmas Production
- Fri 16th 9.30am Christmas Production
Christmas dinner & Christmas Jumper day
- Mon 19th pm – Y3/4 Christmas Party
- Tues 20th pm – Y5/6 Christmas Party
- Weds 21st 9am final Celebration Assemblies (9.00am Y5/6 & 9.45am Y3/4)
Last day of Autumn term

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY – 22nd December to 3rd January

January

- Weds 4th INSET – Academy closed
- Thurs 5th Children back in school
- w/c Mon 9th Spring Curriculum letters sent out
- Tues 10th Y6 SATs parents' meeting

February

- w/c Mon 6th Mental Health week
- Tues 7th Parents' meetings
- Weds 8th Parents' meetings
- Thurs 9th Internet Safety Day
- Fri 11th 'Thanks for all you do' Assembly with parents/carers
Last day of Spring term 1

HALF TERM 13th – 17th February

February

- Mon 20th Children back in school
- Thurs 23rd Book Fair delivered

March

- Thurs 2nd World Book Day
- w/c Mon 6th Y6 mock SATs week
- Fri 17th Comic Relief – Red Nose day
'Thanks for all you do' Assembly with parents/carers

w/c Mon 20th Shakespeare week
Fri 31st 9am final Awards Assemblies (9.00am Y5/6 & 9.45am Y3/4)
Last day of Spring term

EASTER 3rd April – 14th April

April

Mon 17th Children back in school

May

Mon 1st Bank holiday – Academy closed

w/c Mon 8th Y6 SATs week

Fri 26th May Last day of Summer term 1

HALF TERM 29th May – 2nd June

June

Mon 5th Children back in school

Thurs 8th Class photographs

Fri 16th 'Thanks for all you do' Assembly with parents/carers

Weds 21st am – Sports Day (weather permitting)

Fri 30th INSET – Academy closed

July

Mon 3rd INSET – Academy closed

Weds 12th TCA Y6 transition day

Weds 19th pm – Family afternoon – picnic lunch

Thurs 20th 9am final Awards Assemblies (9.00am Y5/6 & 9.45am Y3/4)

Fri 21st 2pm – Y6 Leavers' Assembly

Tues 25th Last day of the Summer term & the 2022-23 academic year

Y6 residential **dates tbc**

We are really looking forward to an exciting and rewarding run up to Christmas here at TCJA. If you have any queries or problems, please let us know, so that we can deal with any concerns quickly.

Mrs Sharon Wood
Head Teacher