

Dear Parents/Carers,

# 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023

# **NEWSLETTER No. 6 - Summer Term**

We hope you have enjoyed both the recent bank holidays and more specifically the coronation celebrations as much as we did! Here are some updates on how things are going and what to expect for the rest of this term. As we move ever closer to the end of this academic year, there are still plenty of exciting things happening here at Carlton Juniors. We hope to see you in school to share some of them with us.

### **Y4 MULTIPLICATION TEST**

Our Y4 children are currently working hard to prepare for their on-line multiplication tables test (which takes place somewhere between 5<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> June). The children will receive their results with their reports, before the end of the year. The children are very determined to learn all their times tables for the test and we wish them luck. We have some real Maths super-stars!

#### **INSET DATES**

Please remember that Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June and Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July are both INSET days and the academy will be closed to all pupils.

# TRANSITION

We are busy arranging transition visits for Y6 and Y2 children. Transition includes visits to secondary schools and receiving school staff here to visit the children moving to their schools. We will also welcome Y2 children here at the Juniors for special events prior to their start in September.

Please contact the SENDCO Mrs Clarke if you have any questions about transition.

# CLASS ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES (to 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023)

$\triangleright$	Hazel –	95.64%
$\triangleright$	Maple –	94.82%
$\triangleright$	Holly –	92.58%
$\triangleright$	Cherry –	92.66%
$\triangleright$	Silver Birch –	90.09%
$\triangleright$	Plum –	94.96%
$\triangleright$	Pear –	92.68%
$\triangleright$	Willow –	94.5%

As you can see, Hazel class continue to be our best attended class and remain the only class above 95%, well done!

However, most classes have made a slight improvement since February half term – so thank you to all parents/carers for your support with this. Our work must continue though, as our attendance at 93.5% is still slightly below the National Average of 93.6% (as at 21<sup>st</sup> April) and we must strive to see more improvement. Let's see if we can make these last few days up to summer half term as close to 100% attendance as possible – we'd like to see all our pupils in their classrooms every day!

#### PUNCTUALITY

Some children are still regularly late to school. Our Attendance Officer, Mrs Wragg (formerly Mrs Rodgers), will contact these families to offer support and advice to improve punctuality for these children.

If your child is late to school, an adult must escort the child in to the reception, sign the child in to school and provide reasons for lateness. This is to ensure the safe entry of children into the school.

#### **Y6 SATS – WRITING ASSESSMENTS**

Our Y6 pupils were all absolute stars last week, when they undertook their end of KS2 Tests. They are now working on their writing assessments, which continue until the end of June. They really want to shine in this final assessment. Please ensure your child attends every day so that they complete all the necessary writing pieces.

### PARENT QUESIONNAIRE

Please don't forget to complete the parent questionnaire (link below). The closing date for responses is Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May. <u>https://forms.office.com/e/6p</u> <u>Agg66CQ9</u>

## **Y4 & Y6 RESIDENTIALS**

I know this visit seems quite a while ago now, but we wanted to let you know what a fabulous time our Year 4's enjoyed both at the Swadlincote Youth Hostel and also undertaking their outdoor activities at Conkers. This was in spite (or maybe because of) the thick snow that fell as they were travelling to the venue! We are already making plans to repeat this residential visit for Year 4's next year – so our Year 3's need to watch this space!

Our Y6's are now getting very excited as we move ever closer to their residential at the Dearne Valley Kingswood Activity centre (17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> July). We would hope snow isn't an issue with this visit!

The final payment is due by 22<sup>nd</sup> May. If you're unsure how much is left to pay, please speak to Mrs Cooke in the office. Thank you.

# CONGRATULATIONS

You'll be delighted to hear that Miss Perkins has welcomed her baby daughter, Arabella – they are both doing well. It's always great to share some lovely news. We send the whole family our very best wishes and we look forward to meeting the new addition.

# **CORONATION CELEBRATIONS**

Many thanks to all the parents/carers who joined us for our coronation celebration and picnics. It was great to see so many children wearing red, white, and blue, or dressed as Kings and Queens, as we really got into the coronation spirit!

The Infant and Junior Academies joined together and our afternoon began with a coronation picnic at lunchtime. We enjoyed music throughout the afternoon from the school choir. Our governor, Martin Kerry, kindly sourced community funding for commemorative badges for the children and our PFA funded a packet of flower seeds for each child to plant to support our bee population. This was in support of the King's philosophy around improving the environment and supporting wildlife.

# FUND RAISING UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who supported our fund raising efforts for Comic Relief – we donated £327.49 to the charity. Our Book Fair sales totalled £313.30 and this has provided us with £78.33 in rewards – which will be used to increase our book stock for the academy. Happy reading!

### SPORTS DAY

Plans are underway for this year's sports day – always a highly popular event with parents and pupils alike! We hope that Notts County who will be running a 'Move and Learn' fitness programme with Year 5 will support us with this again. This will take place on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> June, weather permitting. Further information to follow closer to the date.

#### SUN SAFETY

As the weather gets hotter, please ensure your child brings in a hat, sunscreen and sunglasses for when the sun is out. There is plenty of shade on the school site; we're lucky to have lots of mature and beautiful trees as well as the gazebo. Remind your child that if they start to feel overheated to ask a member of the academy staff if they can move into the shade. Children also have access to their academy water bottles at all times.

#### UNIFORM

<u>Please can you ensure your child has the correct uniform.</u> As is often the case at this point in the year, we are noticing that some pupils are not as smart as others. Leggings and trainers are not allowed, unless it is a PE day. The T-shirt for PE is white, not red. Only red jumpers/cardigans are allowed, not hoodies with logos etc. **Year 6 are however, allowed to wear their leavers' hoodie.** Thank you for supporting this policy.

# SPORTS ROUND UP

Please see our website for what's been going on in school since Christmas: <u>https://www.thecarltonjunioracademy.org.uk/news/sporting-</u>

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#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We hope this gives you an idea of the busy second half of the summer term! We will do our best to let you know in advance of any changes. (tbc – to be confirmed)

### May

Tues 16 <sup>th</sup>	Willow class – visit to Trent Bridge
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup>	Pear class – visit to Trent Bridge
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 online workshop – empathy & migration
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Y6 measuring
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day of Summer term 1



# HALF TERM 29th May – 2nd June

### June

June	
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	Children back in school
$5^{th} - 23^{rd}$	Y4 Multiplication check
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup>	Y5 start Move & Learn sessions with Notts County
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup>	Class photographs
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Plum class – orienteering with Mr Daniels
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 online workshop – coping with challenges
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 workshop with Lisa Williamson (Trust Patron of Reading)
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> –	Possible Y5 visits to the Nottingham Tennis Centre (tbc)
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup>	
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	'Thanks for all you do' Assembly with parents/carers
Weds 21 <sup>st</sup>	am – Sports Day (weather permitting)
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Y6 online workshop – First Aid
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup>	Pear class – swimming & orienteering with Mr Daniels
Weds 28 <sup>th</sup>	Y3 visit to Sherwood Forest
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup>	INSET – Academy closed
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#### July Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>

# INSET – Academy closed

Tues 4 <sup>th</sup>	Willow class – swimming & orienteering with Mr Daniels
Weds 12 <sup>th</sup>	TCA & C-le-W Y6 transition days + new class day at Carlton Juniors
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> –	Y6 residential – Kingswood Centre, Dearne Valley
Weds 19 <sup>th</sup>	
Weds 19 <sup>th</sup>	pm – Family afternoon – picnic lunch
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup>	9am final Awards Assemblies (9.00am Y5/6 & 9.45am Y3/4)
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	2pm – Y6 Leavers' Assembly
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of the Summer term & the 2022-23 academic year

# September

Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>	INSET – Academy closed
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Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Children back in school

Should you have any queries or problems, please let us know, so that we can deal with any concerns quickly.

Mrs Sharon Wood Head Teacher

