



Dear Parents/Carers,

## NEWSLETTER No. 7 - Summer Term

*We hope you have enjoyed the recent sunshine! 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

Well done to our Y4 children who have all just completed the on-line multiplication tables test. The children worked really hard to learn their times tables for this test and I would like to thank you for supporting us in this. The Year 5 and 6 teachers have really noticed the difference that thoroughly learning the times tables is making for children in terms of their progress and confidence in Maths.

### 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 with transition visits for Y6 and Y2 children. Transition includes visits to secondary schools and hosting secondary school staff here to visit the children moving to their schools.

We have already welcomed Y2 children here at the Juniors for a number of activities including sharing a lunchtime and enjoying a pizza muffin with us. There will be a

parent/carer welcome event at 5pm on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July.

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

### ATTENDANCE

Our attendance continues to be a concern. There are a number of children who continue to be persistently absent from school. Taking term time holidays is adding to the missed education time. Fines are now being issued by the local authority team for term time holidays and where children are persistently absent from school, however our aim is to work closely with families and support improvement in attendance rather than see families receiving fines.

### CLASS ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES (to 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023)

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| ➤ Hazel –        | 95.74% |
| ➤ Maple –        | 95.01% |
| ➤ Holly –        | 93.19% |
| ➤ Cherry –       | 92.76% |
| ➤ Silver Birch – | 90.13% |
| ➤ Plum –         | 94.71% |
| ➤ Pear –         | 92.68% |
| ➤ Willow –       | 94.41% |

As you can see, Hazel class continue to be our best attended class, but Maple class have now joined them in being above 95%, well done! **There has been a slight improvement in our overall attendance since the May newsletter and it is now 93.6%. Work must continue though, as our attendance is still below the National Average of 93% (as at 26<sup>th</sup> May) and we must strive to see more improvement.** Let's see if we can make these last few weeks up to summer as close to 100% attendance as possible!

### 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 have nearly completed their writing assessments, which continue until the end of June. They are really shining in this final assessment and we are proud of their determination to develop as excellent writers. Please ensure your child attends every day so that they complete all the necessary writing pieces.

### **Y6 RESIDENTIAL**

Our Y6's who are going on this 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).

### **FUND RAISING**

On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July, we will be holding our annual Family Picnic and enterprise afternoon. Years 3-5, and any Year 6 children not attending residential, will be given a budget by the PFA and challenged to increase the money invested by as much as possible. This has previously proved to be a very inspiring afternoon for the children and we have uncovered some potential future Alan Sugars and Karren Bradys! More details to follow closer to the time.

## **SPORTS DAY**

We were disappointed to have to postpone plans for our sports day after the severe storm washed away the track markings and left the field sodden. We are pleased to say that the rearranged date is Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July. Further reminders will be sent 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**

We are noticing a greater number of trainers being worn in school. Please can you ensure your child wears school shoes and not trainers. Similarly, tracksuit bottoms and leggings are not allowed, nor is jewellery including rings and bracelets.

Watches must not be smart watches, linked to the internet.

The correct PE kit includes black or blue shorts and a white T-shirt with trainers. The children may wear a plain tracksuit top on cooler days. Football tops and T-shirts with logos are not permitted.

Please can you ensure your child has the correct uniform. Thank you for supporting this policy.

### **PARKING**

Please be aware that residents are taking further action in relation to poor parking that sometimes occurs at drop off/pick-up times. Number plates are being reported to the authorities for further action and I have witnessed the residents taking this action. We are still without a crossing patrol supervisor so please take extra care crossing the road outside school.

### **MOBILE PHONES**

Please be aware that children must not bring a mobile phone to school. Should your child accidentally bring a phone to school, they are told to hand it to the office so that it is not in the classroom. We are not responsible for the safety of these phones. *Please do not allow your child to bring a mobile phone to school.*

## 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)

### June

- Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Premier Sport working with Y3 & Y4  
Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Pear class – orienteering with Mr Daniels  
Willow class - swimming  
Weds 28<sup>th</sup> Y3 visit to Sherwood Forest  
Fri 30<sup>th</sup> **INSET – Academy closed**



### July

- Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> **INSET – Academy closed**  
Tues 4<sup>th</sup> Willow class – swimming  
Mon 10<sup>th</sup> 5pm Y2 parents' welcome event  
Weds 12<sup>th</sup> TCA & C-le-W Y6 transition days + new class day at Carlton Juniors  
Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> Red Cross – Y6 Coping with Challenges  
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 Y3-Y5  
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  
Mon 24<sup>th</sup> 6pm – Y6 Leavers' Disco  
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**  
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