

Carr Junior School

AIM HIGH, SHINE BRIGHT! W/C 7TH OCTOBER 2024 WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



A Message from our Principal

Hello! Another week done! I can't believe that we have now had our Y3 children with us for a full 6 weeks. It has been such a pleasure getting to know them and we are really impressed with how far they have come in terms of settling into life at the Junior school, learning our new routines and rising to our expectations of them. We are super proud of them!

Our Y6 children have been busy completing their assessments this week. It was their first try at some practise SATs tests. Once again they have made us extremely proud of how focussed they have been and the effort they have put in. Well done everyone!

This week, you will have received a letter about our next Parents Evening on Wednesday 13th November. The appointments can be booked online but they will be held in person in the school hall. We look forward to seeing lots of you there.

In this week's newsletter you will find information about:

- Staffing update new this week
- Y5 door change new this week
- Lunch time mile initiative
- Fragile Earth showcase landing event
- Parent Governor elections
- Tesco coins
- PE Kit timetable
- Reminders about coats, water in water bottles and contacting the school office new this week

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Mrs Kerr

Staffing Update!

We are really pleased for our Vice Principal, Laura Winston, who has secured the Maternity Cover post for the role of Head of School at Woodthorpe Primary School (another of our Excel Learning Trust schools). We are sad to lose Mrs Winston from our team for the next few terms but we know she will support our colleagues at Woodthorpe brilliantly. Currently, Mrs Winston teaches in our Sparks class and in 6MW during the week, so I will be in touch with the parents of children in those classes soon to let them know the new staffing arrangements.

Tweet of the Week!



Health & Safety and Safeguarding

- If you would like to contact our Pastoral / Family Lead, Miss Daniella Harrison, please select Option 3 to be directed to the correct office.
- Please take care and be considerate of residents when parking cars at drop off and pick up times.
 Thank you.

We Need You!

Are you interested in becoming a parent governor on our Local Governing Board? A letter outlining the role is being sent home today. Please have a read and consider if you would like to join our team. Any questions, please ask away!

School and Home working together!

- Please be aware when contacting the school office at the end of the school day that it is extremely busy. This means that we aren't always able to answer phone calls immediately as we are seeing children out, sorting after school clubs / provisions and dealing with parent queries. If parents / carers need a message passing to their children, please endeavour to contact us by 3pm so that we have time to get the message to classes. We understand that there will be exceptions and emergencies where this can't be done but please could we try this in most cases. Thank you.
- Please make sure children are bringing a coat to school. The children will need their coats to be able to play outside as it continues to get colder and wetter. Thanks.
- We ask that children only bring water in the water bottles they keep in their classrooms. They are allowed to bring juice to have with a packed lunch but not to have in their classrooms.

Thank you in advance for your support. I believe that families and schools that work together, succeed together, and so I am looking forward to the year ahead.

Dates for your diaries!

Date/s	Event	Year groups	
Wednesday 23rd October	Halloween Disco	All	
Thursday 24th October 3pm	Big Idea landing event in classrooms	All	
Thursday 24th October 3.15pm	School closes for Half Term	All	
Friday 25th October	School closed - Training Day	All	
Monday 4th November 8.40am	School Opens	All	
Wednesday 13th November 3.20pm - 5.45pm	Autumn Term Open Evening - in school hall	All	

PE Timetable for the Week!

Timetable for week 7

Monday 14th October	Tuesday 15th October	Wednesday 16th October	Thursday 17th October	Friday 18th October
Y3 Swimming	4K extra PE session	Sparks Class Swimming	Sparks Class PE	Y4 PE
Y4 PE	5M extra PE session	Y6 PE	Y3 PE	Y5 Swimming
Y5 PE	6F extra PE session			
	Y6 PE			
	Lunch time mile for all years			

Y5 door change!

After taking feedback from staff, parents and children we have decided to change the entrance for our Y5 children. From Monday 14th October, please could Y5 children enter school via the door in the corner of the Upper playground. This is the same door that they exit from at the end of the school day. Thank you.

Fragile Earth Landing Event!

We would like to invite parents to our first landing event of the school year on Thursday 24th October at 3pm. Parents / Carers are welcome to visit their children's classes at the end of the school day to see the children's work in their Big Idea scrapbooks and any Art or DT work they have been working on throughout the Big Idea. All of our work is based on the theme of 'Fragile Earth' and the effects of climate change. It will be lovely to share their learning and hard work with you all.

Lunch time mile!

As part of our commitment to ensuring our pupils are as active as possible, we are implementing a lunch time mile initiative every Tuesday where the children can take part in a run around the school field or playground which will be set up and supervised by our PE specialist teacher. The lunch time mile is optional so not all pupils have to take part but if any children would like to, they will need to wear their PE kits on a Tuesday from next week. We can't wait to see them taking part and having fun!

Tesco Coins!

We are very lucky to have been selected onto the Tesco Stronger Starts token scheme to help raise money for our lower yard to be upgraded! From the start of October until mid-January 2025, you will be able to pop your blue tokens when shopping with Tesco into our pot! Just look for Carr Junior School in the following Tesco locations...

York 2110 Gillygate

York 3480 York Extra (Clifton Moor)

York 4790 Norton

York 5024 Strensall

York 5314 Huntington Road

York 6677 Goodramgate

We would absolutely be overjoyed with your support with this! Thank you





3H - 99.00%

4CG - 96.90%

4K - 93.45%

5H - 93.55%

5M - 91.29%

6F - 97.78%

6J - 94.44%

6MW - 97.69%



Attend to Achieve!

Attendance at school is crucial to success. Attending school, on time, is the most important action children take in order to make excellent progress and achieve their full potential.

Attendance matters and every day counts. Our school target for attendance is 96%. If you need to report an absence or need support with your child's attendance, please contact our school office. We have an Attendance Officer (Miss Annetts) in our admin team and a Pastoral Lead (Miss Harrison) who can support you with your concerns alongside the class teachers.





3A - WOJCIECH K

3H - NEVE S-F

4CG - ERIC M

4K - JOSEPH P

5H - JACOB B

5M - LEWIS C

6F - SADIE S

6J - ARTHUR O

6MW - HARRY P

3A - KIARA A

3H - EDIE B

4CG - JACOB C

4K - ERIN D

5H - ISLA B

5M - ANGEL H

6F - ETHAN S

6J - OSCAR R

6MW - LILY G



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