



Carr Junior School

AIM HIGH, SHINE BRIGHT!

W/C 4TH NOVEMBER 2024 WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



A Message from our Principal

Hello and welcome back to the new half term! I hope you all had happy and restful holidays.

It has been a brilliant week back in school. The children have been so busy making a start on their new Science topics or launching their new Big Idea work. This half term we will be working on a Big Idea named Game Changers. In each year group, the children will be focussing on different important historical figures, who they were and the impact they have had on the world today.

Along with this newsletter today, you will receive the newsletter and Knowledge Organiser for your child's year group. This will give you lots of information about what your child will be learning in each of the subject areas and the key knowledge your child will be expected to learn as part of their Big Idea lessons.

Next week, we are looking forward to seeing all of the families who have made a Parents Evening appointment with the class teachers. I am thrilled to see that 70% of our parents have signed up for appointments so far which is a brilliant number.

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

- Children In Need - new this week
- School Author event - new this week
- Parental Engagement events - new this week
- Christmas dates - new this week
- Tesco coins
- PE Kit timetable
- Reminders about coats, water in water bottles and contacting the school office

Enjoy the weekend.

Mrs Kerr

Tweet of the Week!



Carr Junior School @CarrJuniorYork · Nov 7

Some excellent composition in music this morning thanks to [@singeducationuk](#) #creative #carrstars



Mr Gray's handy hints to keep our children safe online!



Deepfake technology is a type of artificial intelligence that can spread misinformation and disinformation. Stay informed to help protect children and young people online with this handy guide from Internet Matters!

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/what-is-a-deepfake/>

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.

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.

Children In Need!

On Friday 15th November, we will be celebrating Children In Need Day. If children would like to get involved, they are welcome to wear yellow or spotty accessories to jazz up their uniforms. Children can make a donation of up to £1 by bringing in cash next Friday or by following the link to ParentPay below. Thank you in advance for supporting this great cause.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=16733>

PE Timetable for the Week!

Timetable for week 2

Monday 11th November	Tuesday 12th November	Wednesday 13th November	Thursday 14th November	Friday 15th November
Y3 Swimming	3H extra PE session	Y6 PE	Sparks Class PE	Y4 PE
Y4 PE	6MW extra PE session		Y3 PE	Y5 Swimming
Y5 PE	6J extra PE session			
	Y6 PE			
	Lunch time mile for all years			

School Author Event!

On Tuesday 19th November, we will be welcoming an author to school for the day. During the day, each class will have a workshop with Toby Glover.

Toby Glover is a children's author with over 20 books, his range of fun, rhyming stories are popular for all Primary children. His stories feature naughty dolphins, squirrels with nut allergies, ambitious dogs, pet dinosaurs, flying chickens, pirate zombies, green teddy bears and many more! His Mark Shark adventures are in talks to become a new animated series! Toby has been touring schools and will be visiting us on Tuesday 19th November to share his stories with all classes. His books are available as both paperbacks and ebooks on Amazon, also parents will have the chance to purchase signed copies on the day for £9.99 with cash or card. www.tobybooktour.com

Parental Engagement Events!

As part of our School Improvement Plan and Ofsted areas for improvement, we have been working on our parental engagement offer. We have put together a calendar of events to ensure parents have enough opportunities to get involved with school life. I will continue to update the 'Dates for your diaries' section on this newsletter with details of these events. We hope that you will enjoy getting involved and feel confident to support your children with their learning.

Events this half term are:

- Coffee and Cake drop in session with Miss Harrison - Friday 15th November 9.45-10.45am
- Online Safety drop in session with Mr Gray - Monday 25th November 3.20-3.40pm
- Phonics drop in with Mrs Hepworth and Mrs Hunton - Thursday 28th November 3.30pm and 5pm

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

Dates for your diaries!

I have started to add Christmas events to the list below - please keep an eye on these as I will update with more details or events as we get further in the half term.

Date/s	Event	Year groups
Wednesday 13th November 3.20pm - 5.45pm	Autumn Term Open Evening - in school hall	All
Friday 15th November 9.45am - 10.45am	Coffee and Cake drop in with Miss Harrison	Parents
Tuesday 19th November	Author visit to school	All
Thursday 21st November	Y6 Height and weight screening	Y6 only
Friday 22nd November	Non-uniform day in exchange for raffle prizes for Christmas Bingo	All
Saturday 23rd November 10am-10.30am	Carr Choir singing in town at Christmas Market	Choir
Monday 25th November 3.20pm - 3.40pm	Online Safety drop in with Mr Gray	Parents
Thursday 28th November 3.30pm and 5pm	Phonics drop in with Mrs Hepworth and Mrs Hunton	Parents
Friday 29th November	Non-uniform day in exchange for tombola prizes for Christmas Fair	All
Tuesday 3rd - Wednesday 5th December	5M Bikeability	5M
Friday 6th December 3.20pm	Christmas Fair	All
Monday 9th December	Christmas craft day Year 3 Christmas Dinner	All Y3
Tuesday 10th December	Year 4 Christmas Dinner	Y4
Tuesday 10th - Wednesday 11th December	5H Bikeability	5H
Wednesday 11th December	Year 5 Christmas Dinner Christmas Bingo	Y5 All
Thursday 12th December	Year 6 Christmas Dinner	Y6
Friday 13th December	Whole School Panto Visit	All
Wednesday 18th December 1.30pm	Christmas Carol Concert - performance one	All
Thursday 19th December 9.30am	Christmas Carol Concert - performance two	All
Thursday 19th December 3.15pm	School closes for Christmas holidays	All
Friday 20th December	School closed - Training Day	All
Monday 6th January 8.40am	School Opens	All



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**CARR JUNIOR
SCHOOL**

Aim High, Shine Bright

Christmas Craft day
Monday 9th Dec

Panto Visit
Friday 13th Dec (am)

Christmas Bingo night
Wednesday 11th Dec

Carol Concert
Performance One
Wed 18th Dec 1.30pm

Christmas Lunches
Monday 9th Dec - Y3
Tuesday 10th Dec - Y4
Wednesday 11th Dec - Y5
Thursday 12th Dec - Y6

Carol Concert
Performance Two
Thur 19th Dec 9.30am

Attendance

3A - 87.87%
3H - 90.81%
4CG - 98.47%
4K - 91.88%
5H - 93.91%
5M - 93.73%
6F - 96.30%
6J - 91.02%
6MW - 94.02%



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.



SPARKS - MAX S

3A - LACEY E

3H - PHOEBE L

4CG - BELLA W

4K - BEATRIX B

5H - ALFIE K

5M - MALIK B

6F - HARRISON C

6J - CALLUM D, LUCAS C, CHARLES L

6MW - AMBER T

SPARKS - LILLY S

3A - OLIVIA J

3H - KASSIUS C

4CG - AYL A W

4K - ELLIS W

5H - TEDY L, EMIL W

5M - LOGAN S

6F - ALICE M

6J - NANCY W, HANNAH S

6MW - LILLY S



3H KASSIUS C

4K COOPER L

5H ALEX W

6F ALICE M

6F AZZAHRA M

6F IMOGEN S

6F MARY-KATE S

6F LOLA P

6J AMELIA S

6J NANCY W

6J SAVANNAH K

6J GRACE W

6J NATASHA C

6J EDITH P

CHRISTMAS CRAFT & COFFEE 2024

Saturday 16th November
10.00am – 2.30pm
Acomb Parish Church Hall
Front Street YO24 3BZ

Craft Stalls
 Prize Every Time
 Tombola

Angel Tree Pledge
 Fellowship & Fair
 Trade Stalls

Community Cafe
 with Christmas
 Treats & Lunches

Children's Christmas
 Crafts, Games &
 Activities

St Stephen's
 Church

Website: www.acombparish.org
 Facebook: St Stephen's Church - Acomb Parish

Acomb Parish

**The Holy Redeemer
 Christmas Tree Festival**
Saturday 7th December 12 – 4pm

Visit Santa's Grotto & The Elves' Workshop
 Decorate & Dedicate a Tree
 Community Carols
 Christmas Craft Fair
 Festive Cafe & Mulled Wine
 Christmas Light Switch-on at 4pm

Pre-Booked Craft Tables only £5
 Contact Mat on 07380 954043 or email office@holyredeemeryork.com

Sunday 8th December
 View the Christmas Trees in Church from 11-3pm
 Christmas Wreath Workshop 1-3pm - Bookable in advance £30 pp

108 BOROUGHBRIDGE ROAD, YORK, YO26 6AB

**Christmas
 COMPETITION**

**DESIGN YOUR OWN
 CHRISTMAS CARD**

CREATE AN A4 WINTER THEMED PICTURE.
 Please use paint, crayons, pencils or chalk.
 (Do not use glitter or cotton wool)

Please write name, age and school on the back and then hand to the cook.
 The Kitchen Team will then select their favourite 5 to send to us.

Schools will need to send all entries by 22/12/24 to:
 Dolce Ltd, 5, Cromwell Park, York Road Industrial Estate
 Wetherby, Yorkshire, LS23 7BU

We will announce a nationwide winner in early December

**WIN AN
 IPAD**
 AND 5 PAGE OF YOUR
 XMAS CARDS TO SEND
 TO FAMILY AND FRIENDS

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**INSTRUMENT
 AMNESTY**

Do you have any instruments sitting in storage that are no longer being played? Let us take them off your hands to be played by our pupils. Excel Learning Trust schools are holding an instrument amnesty to increase our pupils' access to musical instruments. Please drop off any unwanted instruments to Knavesmere Primary School, Campleshon Road.