



Carr Junior School

AIM HIGH, SHINE BRIGHT!

W/C 3RD MARCH 2025 WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



A Message from our Principal

Hello!

This week there has been such a brilliant buzz in school as we have celebrated STEM week and World Book Day. Each class have been busy doing loads of Science and STEM activities which has culminated in some of our families joining us this afternoon for a fun activity - thank you so much for coming to spend some time with us. We hope you enjoyed it!

World Book Day was filled with so much fun and as always, the children looked great in their pjs and comfiest clothes. They spent time with reading buddies, joined virtual live author webinars, spent time in Bookend Cottage, did a book treasure hunt, and so much more! There were lots of competitions to get involved in and we were so impressed with their amazing entries. Our school entrance looked fantastic as we showed off all of your wonderful book character wooden spoon creations!

It was also a pleasure to see so many families at our Spring term open evenings this week. Once again we had around 70% of parents booking appointments and we know that many more have met with teachers or arranged alternative dates. It really means so much to us and the children when you all get involved in your children's learning and we know that they loved showing off their hard work. Thank you for this wonderful support.

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

- End of Spring term assessments (new this week)
- Road safety around school (new this week)
- Exciting reading challenge
- Become a Trustee
- Spring parental engagement dates
- PE Kit timetable
- Reminders about coats, make-up, water in water bottles and contacting the school office

After such a busy week, I wish you all a restful weekend.

Miss Kerr

Tweet of the Week!



End of Spring term assessments

Next week, our pupils in Y6 will be doing their final 'Mock week' in preparation for the end of KS2 tests. These will also give us our evidence of progress since the start of the term. In years 3-5, the children will also be doing their end of term assessments throughout next week. It is really important that children are in school if possible so that they get to do these alongside their peers. We know that children don't tend to do as well in their assessments if they are trying to 'catch up' after absences as they miss the vital inputs and support which teachers organise for the assessment sessions. Thank you and we look forward to sharing your children's progress at the end of the term.

Trustee Information

Please see the letter which was sent out, giving information on how you can become a Trustee and find out more about the role.

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.
- We have noticed an increasing amount of children wearing make-up, false eyelashes and false nails to school. Please note that these are not part of our school uniform and should not be worn.
- 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.

PE Timetable for the Week

Timetable for week 3 - If your child will be doing outdoor PE, please ensure they are wearing warm enough clothes. This can be tracksuit bottoms or leggings with their school cardigan or jumper.

Monday 10th March	Tuesday 11th March	Wednesday 12th March	Thursday 13th March	Friday 14th March
Y3 PE	3A extra PE session	Y6 PE	Sparks Class PE	Y4 PE
Y4 Swimming	3H extra PE session		Y3 PE	Y5 PE
4CG Forest School	5M extra PE session			
	Y5 PE			
	Y6 PE			
	Lunch time mile for all years			

School Lunches

Please note, the cost of school lunches has been revised and from 31st March 2025, the cost of school lunches will be increasing to £2.80 a day, £14.00 a week.

Spring Parental Engagement dates

See for the opportunities to join us in school for a range of activities during the Spring term.

Dates for your diary

17/1 Coffee & Cake with Miss Harrison
9.45-10.45am

23/1 Music info for parents - 3.30pm

29/1 SEND parent Q&A - 9-10am

7/3 Coffee & Cake with Miss Harrison
9.45-10.45am

7/3 Science afternoon

26/3 World Maths Day parent drop-in -
3.15pm

27/3 Landing Event (pm)

EXTREME READING CHALLENGE

This term, we are hosting a competition for our Carr Stars - the Extreme Reading Challenge. We would like children to take a photo of themselves reading their books in unusual and out-of-the-ordinary places. An example could be up a climbing frame or on a trampoline (children have been asked to be mindful of being safe and to check with an adult first). The more creative - the better! We would love for families to get involved as well so please feel free to join in. Photo entries can be sent to admin@carrjunior.elts.org.uk FAO Mrs Williams - Extreme Reading Competition entry by the end of Monday 10th March. Winners to be announced w/c 17th March.



Road Safety around school

Once again, I ask that all parents support us in ensuring the roads around our school are kept as safe as possible. If you are witness to dangerous driving near to the school entrance, we advise that you contact the local PCSOs or report the incident via 101. Thank you.

Readathon!

We are taking part in an exciting reading event which is for a really good cause and could also allow us to buy more books for school. We have launched this with the children and have had lots of interest already. Please read the letters and support your child if they would like to take part. Thank you so much!

Inhalers

Please could any parents of children needing inhalers, please ensure the inhalers are being sent into school. We require an inhaler which can be kept with your child in their classroom so that it is on hand quickly in case it is needed. Children are able to take these inhalers with them to PE lessons and take them after break times etc. Please ensure you send one to school which can be left here and also please can you make sure that they are in date. Thank you for your support with this important matter.

Y5 Contact details

Please can we ask that parents check these carefully and return to school with any handwritten changes so that we can update our records. Thank you.

Tooth brushing and Fluoride varnish programme

We are going to be taking part in the NHS programme named above. As part of this, school will get a visit from a dentist / therapist who can check children's teeth and apply fluoride every six months. Thank you to all those who have already sent back the consent forms to take part. It is proving really popular which is fantastic. There is still time to fill your consent form in and send it in to school in your child's planner. Thank you for your support.

Amazon Wishlist

We are having a huge focus on Reading this year and we would like to update the books on our bookshelves. We would like to fill them with current reads and books children have chosen. We have created an Amazon Wishlist full of books classes have chosen that they would like to see on their bookshelf. If you would like to, or know of anyone or businesses who would like to buy us a book here is the link. <https://amzn.eu/9JJuOKR>
Your support is greatly appreciated!

Dates for your diaries!

Date/s	Event	Year groups
Thursday 23rd January 3.30pm - POSTPONED	Music information session for parents	All - Parents
Wednesday 26th March 3.15pm	World Maths Day Maths Parent drop in	All All - Parents
Thursday 27th March PM	Portal to the Past - Big Idea landing event	All - Parents
Monday 31st March 3.20pm	Easter Fair at Carr Infant School	All - Parents
Friday 4th April 3.15pm	School closes for Easter holidays	All

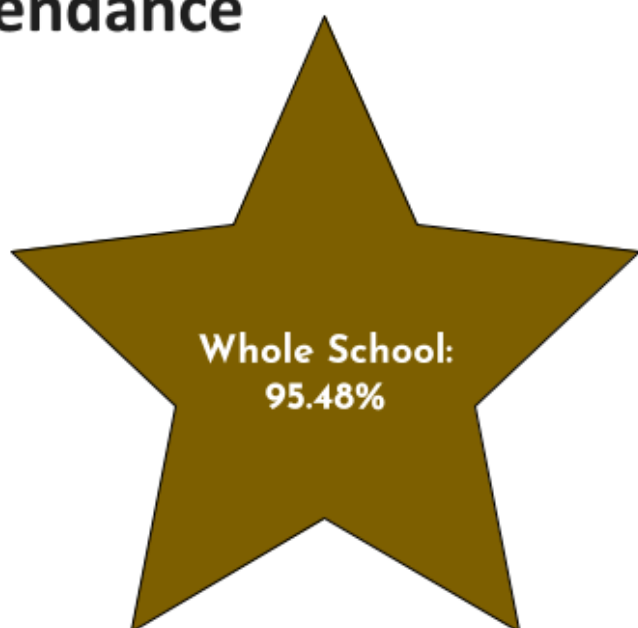
Health & Safety and Safeguarding

- 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 time

Thank you

Attendance

3A - 93.33%
3H - 95.67%
4CG - 95.17%
4K - 95.81%
5H - 96.33%
5M - 96.55%
6F - 97.14%
6J - 91.15%
6MW - 98.08%



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.

There is a new scheme called Pharmacy First which allows parents to take children to the pharmacy with some illnesses rather than booking or waiting for an appointment at the GP. Please let us know if you make use of this service and if it was useful.



SPARKS - BOBBY F/KAYDEN D
3A - LAUREN F/KIARA A
3H - FELICITY H/THEA R
4CG - AMMAAR A/LUCCA M
4K - JUDE S/AVA W
5H - ISLA B/JACOB C
5M - JACK M/FREDDY E
6F - ALICE M/ENID H
6J - CALLUM DI/CHARLES L
6MW - HARRY P/IMOGEN H M

SPARKS - RONIN H/CHARLIE C
3A - ROWAN L/WOJCIECH K
3H - EVA P/JACK D
4CG - OLIVER S/JACK B
4K - JACOB G/COOPER L
5H - MEGAN H/TOMMY R
5M - GEORGIE G/ZACH G
6F - IMOGEN S/GEORGE M
6J - HANNAH S/OSCAR J-T
6MW - LAYTON C/ROWAN T



3A ROWAN L
 3A LACEY E
 3A FRANKIE P
 3A ALBIE R
 3A LYDIA O
 3A BEN S
 3A CIARA R
 3A KEYAAN S
 3A REUBEN H
 3A MARNIE H
 3A ROWAN L
 3H DIMITRIS K
 3H EDIE B
 3H MAYA K
 3H MACY C
 3H OLLY P
 3H MILLY C
 3H EMELIA T
 3H HENRY J

4CG JACOB C
 4CG EDDIE E
 4CG AMMAAR A
 4CG HANNAH S
 4CG JAMES S
 4CG JACOB C
 4CG AYLA W
 4CG BELLA W
 4CG ETHAN G
 4CG ERIC M
 4CG EDITH H
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 4K ELLIS W
 4K SIENNA S
 4K JAMES R
 4K ELSIE G
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 5H DAISY-JAYNE H
 5H COURTNEY C
 5H SUMMER P
 5H ALFIE K
 5H EMMIE H
 5H ISLA B
 5M JACK M
 5M ADELAIDE W
 5M ANYA L
 5M LILLY M
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6F ALICE M
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 6F AJAY A
 6F IMOGEN S
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 6F NANCY W
 6F ENID H
 6F GEORGE M
 6F EVELYN R
 6J STELLA B
 6MW ERIN T
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 6MW IMOGEN H-M
 6MW HOLLY B
 6MW ERIN T
 6MW AMBER T
 SPARKS ALEX W
 SPARKS CHARLIE C
 SPARKS RONIN H
 SPARKS KAYDEN D

COMING SOON...

WEDNESDAY 2ND APRIL

EASTER MOVIE NIGHT

NOW SHOWING

IF
(U)

Peter
Rabbit 2
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Hop!
(U)

The
Greatest
Showman
(PG)

Wonka
(PG)

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a fun night with their friends!



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How it works...

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Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

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Splitting the £1.00

- 40p goes to our school
- 36p goes to cash prizes
- 20p goes to admin costs
- 4p goes to VAT

The Maths... 100 tickets sold a week means

- = £30 weekly cash prize
- = £2,080 a year for our school

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