

Carr Junior School

AIM HIGH, SHINE BRIGHT!
W/C 12TH MAY 2025 WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



A Message from our Principal

Hello!

We were so proud of our Y6 Carr Stars this week when they tackled their SATs with such resilience and positivity! They have loved having their breakfast at school each day - thank you so much to our cook for the sausage and bacon sandwiches each day. I have never made so much toast! What superstars the children have been and I am so grateful to all the staff and children in other year groups who have changed each of their days around so that we can accommodate the tests and support the children in the best way. We have finished our week off in style by having a brilliant day of fun at Homestead Park.

Next week, we are looking forward to the return of the infamous 'Pea Hunt!' on Monday and Mr Bedingham will be taking the children's individual and class photos so please could all children come to school in their smartest uniform and not PE kits. If they usually have PE on Mondays, they will **not** need to bring their kits to change into.

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

- School photos
- Football coach volunteers needed!
- More staffing news
- Y5 Arts Fest
- Trust Samba band opportunity
- PE Kit timetable
- Reminders about coats, make-up, water in water bottles and contacting the school office

I hope the sun keeps shining this weekend!

Miss Kerr

Tweet of the Week!



School Photos

Our fabulous teaching assistant, Mr Bedingham, will be taking the individual and class photos on **Monday 19th May**. Please could we ask that all children come to school in their non PE day school uniform so that they all look their smartest for the photos. Thank you.

Staffing news

As you know, there are a few changes to our staffing team from September 2025. These changes will also include us saying goodbye to a few more teachers as they are moving onto their next adventures. Miss Munday, Miss Pinder and Miss Morris will be very much missed from our team. They have created fantastic memories at our school over the years and supported so many children. It has been a pleasure to work alongside them and we wish them lots of luck in their new ventures. This does mean that there will be more new faces joining the team from September so we will keep you posted on this as we find out more.

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 in case of rain. 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 5

| Monday 19th May | Tuesday 20th May | Wednesday 21st May | Thursday 22nd May | Friday 23rd May |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Y3 PE | 6MW extra PE session | Y6 PE | Sparks Class PE | Y4 PE |
| Y4 PE | 6F extra PE session | | Y3 PE | Y5 PE |
| 4CG Forest School | 3H extra PE session | | | |
| | Y5 PE | | | |
| | 6J & 6MW PE | | | |
| | Lunch time mile for all years | | | |

Football coach volunteers needed!

We are wondering if we have any parents or family members from the Carr community who would be able to spare some time to coach either a boys or girls football team. If you think you might know someone who would be interested in this voluntary opportunity please get in touch with us. We would love to set this up from September. Many thanks.

Y5 Arts Festival - Wednesday 25th June

This year, all of our Y5 children have the opportunity to take part in this special event which brings the whole Trust together to celebrate music, art and dance. Our Y6 children took part in the event last year and absolutely loved it! The letters have been sent out to parents so please could you complete the form which is linked in the letter. Thank you. We can't wait to see the children performing.

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.

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/9]JuOKR Your support is greatly appreciated!

Trust Samba for Pride!

We are very excited to be preparing our Trust Samba Band in preparation for the York Pride Parade on **Saturday 7th June** and we would like to invite any interested pupils from our Trust, from **Year 4 upwards**, to join us. Any interested percussion players do not need experience of drumming and will learn how to play the samba rhythms in our rehearsals.

A generous donation by Pavers Foundation means we are able to purchase more instruments, and this year we will be adding a brass / wind section.

If your child would like to attend they will need to be available for the parade on 7th June and for weekly rehearsals in the lead up. The rehearsals will be at Knavesmire Primary School in the school hall on Thursdays 5-6pm from 24th April to 5th June (6 sessions) with Mrs Hardy, music teacher at Knavesmire. Any brass or wind players are very welcome and will need to be able to play at a minimum of Grade 3 level. Further information on the Pride Parade will be sent to you next half term. If your child wishes to join us please complete this form by 9am Thursday 24th April:

Google Form

Dates for your diaries!

| Date/s | Event | Year groups |
|--|---|---------------------------------|
| Monday 19th May | Pea Hunt | All |
| | School photos | |
| Tuesday 20th May | Next Y6 transition event with York High School 'Transition Detectives' | Y6 pupils going to York High |
| Wednesday 21st May | Y6 London Visit 1 | Half of Y6 |
| Thursday 22nd May 3.30pm | Kingswood Parents info meeting | Y5 - parents |
| Friday 23rd May | York University researchers in 3A | 3A |
| Friday 23rd May 3.15pm | School closes for half term | All |
| Monday 2nd June 8.40am | School opens | All |
| Wednesday 4th June | Y6 London Visit 2 | Half of Y6 |
| Friday 6th June | Break the Rules day | All |
| Friday 13th June | Y3 visit to Filey | Y3 |
| Tuesday 17th June | Sparks class farm visit | Sparks |
| Friday 20th June | Non-uniform day for Summer Fair tombola prizes | All |
| Tuesday 24th June | Y6 STEM Fest visit | Y6 |
| Wednesday 25th June | Y5 Arts Fest | Y5 |
| Tuesday 1st July | Sports Day - AM | All |
| Wednesday 2nd July - Friday 4th July | Y5 Residential visit | Y5 |
| Wednesday 2nd July | Y6 Transition Day | Y6 |
| w/c 7th July | Careers Week | All |
| Thursday 10th July | Y4 Murton visit | Y4 |
| Wednesday 16th July | Open Evening | All - parents |
| Thursday 17th July 9.30am | Y6 Leavers Play | Y6 - parents |
| Thursday 17th July - after school (time to be confirmed) | Y6 Leavers Disco | Y6 |
| Friday 18th July 3.15pm | School closes for Summer holiday | All |

Attendance



3H - 97.67%

4CG - 99.31%

4K - 96.45%

5H - 90.00%

5M - 93.45%

6F - 98.57%

61 - 96.15%

6MW - 100%



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.

Site Assistant
Permanent
10 hours per week, 2 hours per evening between 4.30pm and 7pm (times dependent on lettings), Monday to Friday
52 weeks
Grade 4 Level 1-4 (£24,335 to £25,503 full time equivalent)
Actual annual salary £6,577.03 to £6,892.70

Closing date: midnight on Sunday 11 May 2025

Interview date: to be confirmed Start date: As soon as possible

Carr Junior School is seeking an enthusiastic, highly motivated and caring Site Assistant to join our school team as soon as possible. The successful candidate will be responsible for ensuring that the school buildings and grounds are safe, secure and in proper working order, maintaining a safe working environment for all. The school was built in 1949 and as well as classrooms, a swimming pool, the main hall and office space within the school, we have a lot of space around the school, consisting of two concrete play areas and a large school field.

You will have excellent time management and organisational skills, with the ability to work as both part of a dedicated team and independently. You must be committed to providing the best environment for our children to learn in.

In return, we can offer a supportive working environment, with colleagues who care deeply, are experts in their fields and who are passionate about what they do. We also offer a range of staff benefits, and further details regarding our benefits and information about our Trust can be found on our website.

Further details about the school are available on the school website - www.carrjunior.co.uk.

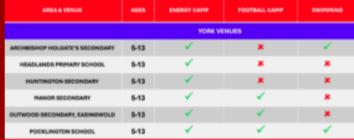
An application form, job description and person specification are available from the Trust website https://excellearningtrust.org.uk/careers/

Please submit completed forms to recruitment@southbanktrust.co.uk for the attention of Mrs V Kerr, Headteacher.

Excel Learning Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. All appointments are made in accordance with safer recruitment practices and the statutory guidance in Keeping Children Safe in Education. Online checks will be carried out on all shortlisted candidates, and all appointments are subject to an enhanced DBS check, satisfactory references and checks regarding suitability to work with children.

Excel Learning Trust reserves the right to close advertisements early. Advertisements will therefore close at midnight either on the advertised closing date, or at the point the decision has been taken to close the advertisement early. Applicants will be invited for interview once suitable applications are received, therefore early applications are strongly encouraged and advised.





CHOOSE TOTAL ENERGY!!!

TOTAL ENERGY IS OUR MUCH LOVED MULTI SPORT, ARTS & CRAFTS, OUTDOOR ADVENTEROUS, TEAM BUILDING, FUR PROCRAMME, FOR BOYS & GIRLS AGED 5-13!! OUR ENERGY PROGRAMME RUNS EVERY DAY AT VENUES ACROSS YORK AND SURROUNDING VILLAGES!!

OUR CHERCY PROGRAMME EVENS EVERY DAY AT YEROES HEROSS FORK AND SORROUNDING VILLAGES:

TOTAL ENERGY ENCOMPASSES 50- CHOICES OF ACTIVITIES AND 2 CHOICES EVERY SINGLE HOUR! CREATIVE AND ACTIVE, THIS CAN BE ANYTHING FROM FOOTBALL OR PAINTING, VOGA TO CRICKET, HOCKEY TO DODGEBALL, CRAFTS TO DEN BUILDING, NERF TO TIG GAMES!! YOUR CHILD CHOOSES EACH HOUR.

OUR ENERGY PROGRAMME ALSO INCLUDES OUR WOW EQUIPMENT (VEST INSTABLE ASSAULT COURSE, BOUNCY CASTLES, NERF, SILENT DISCO AND MUCH MORE), WET WEDNESDAYS, PARTY THURSDAYS AND THEMED ACTIVITIES - CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR SPECIFIC DETAILS FOR THE UPCOMING HOLIDAY CLUBS!

THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE ON OUR TOTAL ENERGY PROGRAMME AND YOUR CHILDREN RULE THEIR DAYS
WITH OUR CHOICES!! YOUR CHILDREN ARE SPLIT INTO AGE SPECIFIC GROUPS AND LED BY OUR
DBS CHECKED EXPERIENCED COACHING STAFF!!

