



## CARLTON VC C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022

### Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a thrilling start to Christmas time in Carlton Primary! It has been so lovely to hear the school filled with music and excitement at the festivities that are beginning. Thank you to all that came and joined in with the 'Dress The Christmas Tree' assembly. It was wonderful to see the different decorations that the children had made and their enjoyment at hanging them on the tree and of course the marvellous singing!

Our value for the month of December is Trust and one of my favourite quotes from the bible on this is from Jeremiah 17:17-8 'Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, and whose trust is the Lord. He is like a tree planted by water that sends out its root by the stream and does not fear when the heat comes, for its leaves remain green'. I believe that being trustworthy is a truly commendable quality.

### Car Park Reminder

Please can I politely remind parents again, that cars should not be driven into the car park during school pick up and drop off times as this can be hazardous for the children walking to school. If you need to drive your child to school can I ask that you are mindful of where you park so that it does not cause upset or injury to any child or resident.

### Flu Clinics

All children that missed the school flu vaccinations can now call 0300 7900594 for information on how and where to book another appointment.

### Christmas Hampers For the Less Fortunate

The School has started to collect food and treats for the Hamper appeal that the School Council wished to collect for. Your kind donations will go to families that are struggling, so that they can enjoy some treats at Christmas. Although, we set out some boxes in the hall, these are now full – so thank you so much for your help. We are now going to make some more hampers, so if you still wish to donate, please feel free to do so. These hampers will be delivered to the food banks on or after the 16<sup>th</sup> December. Once again – thank you so much!

### Website

You have probably noticed that the website is out of date. This is due to a new website being worked on. Hopefully, we will be up and running with the new website by 9<sup>th</sup> December. In the meantime, all changes and term dates will be put in the newsletter.

## School Learning:

Squirrels Class have had fun becoming historians and looking at the differences between old and new toys.

Hedgehogs have been writing letters pretending that they are animals stuck somewhere. They have had a lot of fun making them funny.

Woodpeckers have been working really hard with fractions as well as perfecting their performances for their school play.

Owls have begun their learning around RSHE this week and Miss Notaro is very proud of their attitude and the maturity that they have shown. Well done Owls.

## Golden Book Awards

This winners of the Golden Book Awards were:

Squirrels	Eddie	For trying really hard in phonics and doing some super maths.
Hedgehogs	Archer	For persevering in his maths even when he found it tricky.
Woodpeckers	Orla	For an amazing diary entry about the trenches. Mrs Frost was proud of the way you captured the moment and made her feel like she was there!
Owls	Jasmine	For helping the younger years to choreograph their dances for the performance.

A super well done to all these amazing children!

## Value – Freedom/Unity and Trust

We now have a values tree in the School Hall and each week a child will be chosen from each class and awarded with a leaf which represents how they have shown the current value in and around the school.

The winners of the Values Leaves are:

Class	Child
Squirrels	Noah
Hedgehogs	Iris
Woodpeckers	Isabella
Owls	Aaron

## Maths TT Rock Star Awards

Class	Child
Hedgehogs	Cooper
Woodpeckers	Keira
Owls	Jessica

Well done to all the children that have worked hard this week.

## Reading Champions

Year 2	Sophie
Year 3	Archer
Year 4	Ralph
Year 5	Niamh
Year 6	Eva

Wow! Super proud of everyone above and in the school for reading so much this week!

## House Points

These are the winners of the house points this week:

Place	House
1 <sup>st</sup>	Willow
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rowan
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Hawthorn
4 <sup>th</sup>	Beech

Well done Willow House.

## Pre-School News:

As there has been little take-up for the Friday sessions, the pre-school will now close on Fridays.

The Pre-School and the School have always had a close working relationship and we would like to make that relationship even closer by merging. We would like to put this out as a consultation to parents of both the Pre-School and the school to see if there are any thoughts on this that parents would like to share. If you have any questions, or any considerations, please email the office on [admin@cartonvcprimary.co.uk](mailto:admin@cartonvcprimary.co.uk) before Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2023.

## Village Hall News:

The Village Hall is available to hire for parties and other after-school and evening events. So, if you would like a great place to hold a party or get together? Look no further - the Village Hall is part of our site it can be hired out for parties and other functions most evenings and weekends. The cost is £15.00 an hour and only £100.00 for the whole day. If you would like to use this facility please contact Sally McAllister on 0790 5047324 or alternatively email your enquiries to [sally.mcallister@hotmail.com](mailto:sally.mcallister@hotmail.com).

## Note from the PTFA

The next Meeting will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> December at 8pm. If you would like to attend - here is the link:

Meeting Link

<https://qmul-ac-uk.zoom.us/j/88036710755>

100 Club reminder: The PTFA are now running a 100 club and there are still numbers left to buy for the December draw. The November draw took place and there was 1<sup>st</sup> Prize, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize and a 3<sup>rd</sup> prize.

<https://tinyurl.com/jzjv9mds>

(Please ensure applications and payments are received in time to be checked before the draw on 16th Dec.)

Application forms will also be available on a table in the hall on the days of the School Plays.

## Diary Dates – So Far!

Diary dates include PTFA and Village hall dates.

2022	<u>Diary Dates</u>
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Music Assembly for parents of the children that are playing violins and recorders on this day. Assembly will start approximately 10:15 and will last for approximately 20 minutes.
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Dress Rehearsal and performance for the older generation in the village. All should arrive by 1:30, mince pies, teas and coffees available as well as a Raffle for a Hamper that will be drawn after the performance.
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Plays All parents should arrive at 1:30pm – please see below for ticket arrangements. The Christmas Raffle tickets will be on sale.
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Plays All parents should arrive at 1:30pm – please see below for ticket arrangements. The Christmas Raffle tickets will be on sale and will be drawn after this event.
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5 and 6 Sports Event. You will have been notified if your child is taking part in this and they will need to wear their PE Kit and bring a packed lunch. These children will return to Carlton before the end of the school day.
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 and Year 4 Sports Event. You will have been notified if your child is taking part in this and they will need to wear their PE kit and bring a packed lunch. These children will return to Carlton before the end of the school day.
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Victorian Day in Owls Class. Year 6 (Owls Children) are invited to come in to school in Victorian outfits, they will be tasting Victorian food and learning in a Victorian style classroom.

Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Dick Whittington Panto! All children that are in school will attend. During the Interval, all children will receive an ice lolly. Due to a lot of ice creams having the notice 'may have traces of nuts' we have decided to go with a either a fruit ice lolly or a rocket lolly which have no traces of nuts on any packaging. Could you please send us an email if your child is unable to eat these due to allergies that we are unaware of. I will need this information by Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December. Many thanks.
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December at 2:30pm	Christmas Carol Service at the church. The children will start walking to Church at 2pm We do have some helpers, to walk with the children, but could do with a few more so if you are able to, please ring the office and let us know. The children will arrive at the church to begin their Carol Service at approximately 2:30pm. If you are at the church service, you may collect your child directly from the church. If you would like someone else to collect your child <b>directly from the church</b> then I will need this information sent in an <b>email before Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b> . All children not collected will be walked back to the school and can be collected at the usual time 3:30pm – however, please allow us time to walk back from the church.
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of the Autumn Term
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023	Teacher Training Day
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Children return to school.

### Christmas Performances

We are doing the Christmas Performances a little differently this year. Both the performances will be held on the same afternoons. Please do come and watch both as it is great to see the progression. Raffles will be drawn at the end of the Thursday performance.

All parents should now have their original tickets for the performances on Wednesday or Thursday, however, if you have requested extra they will be forthcoming before Tuesday. Unfortunately, we are unable to allow photographs or videos of these performances as we have a number of children that are not allowed to be photographed. Thank you for your understanding with this.

The performances will be held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December and Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December. The first of the children's performances will begin at 1:45pm, therefore parents are asked to come for 1:30 so they can be seated in the hall. When the 2<sup>nd</sup> performance is over parents may collect their children from the playground if they so wish. For parents that are not attending, the children will be kept in their classes until the end of the school day.

If you are unable to attend both performances, and would like to come just for the KS2 performance I will put out a parentmail on Tuesday after school, to let you know what time the second performance is likely to start. I know this was a worry to some of you, so when I know exactly how the performances work out timewise I will let you know – look out for the parentmail!

Have a lovely week!

Kind regards



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