



CARLTON VC C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER – January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our value last month (January) was perseverance and it was fantastic to see the children working at persevering within the school. I have also been persevering with creating our new website and it is now, not only working, but can now be found in a Google search! There are still lots of pages that we need to populate but hopefully you can persevere with us and hopefully in the next 2 or 3 weeks it will be full of information.

Newletters

From now on, as we have a brilliant new website, I will be publishing a newsletter once a month. This Newsletter will be January's and I will do a new newsletter at the end of each month. Therefore, your next newsletter will be sent out on February 28th 2023. Our website address is:

<https://www.carltoncofeprimary.co.uk/>.

Strike Action

The NEU have directed teachers that they need not inform the school they are striking until the day of the strike. However, our teachers were responsible enough to give us a few days notice. On the future strike days (if they go ahead) which are Wednesday 1st March 2023, Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March, I believe that Woodpeckers and Squirrels will be closed all three days but Hedgehogs will be closed Wednesday 1st March and Wednesday 15th March. However, I will confirm this nearer the time.

Website

The website is up and running and will have lots of information that you may need. The Calendar is now an important feature as I will be putting all of the school's activities and information on there from now on. The Calendar can be found on the 'News' page and this should be looked at regularly. If you click on the day/event you are interested in – it will hold the information you need for that event – however if you have any further queries you can still contact the office.

SMART Watches and Mobile Phones

A few children have been bringing in mobile phones or SMART watches. As a school, we cannot allow this for safeguarding reasons, especially if they are able to send/receive messages and take photographs. Therefore, we are in the process of changing our safeguarding policy to cover this. We have explained to the children the reasons why they should not bring these items to school, however, I am also aware that some children in years 5 and 6 are able to walk home from school without a parent. For this reason, if you require your child to have a SMART watch or mobile phone please can you ensure that they hand them into the office first thing and then collect them at the end of the day.

School Learning:

Squirrels Class have been learning about dinosaurs and fossils and have even found dinosaur eggs in the classroom!

Hedgehogs have been learning about fossils and Mary Anning who discovered dinosaur bones in Dorset. They have also been learning about Vikings and have found out some very interesting facts!

Woodpeckers have been engaged in lots of science including sound and bones including the human ear. They have also been learning about the Stone Age and the Bronze Age.

Owls have worked hard in their 'flashback' sessions and this has boosted their performance in arithmetic and all have made great progress. They have also been learning about electricity in Science.

Golden Book Awards

This winners of the Golden Book Awards were:

| Class | 14 th January | 21 st January | 28 th January |
|-------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Squirrels | Bea | Eddie | Yarik |
| Hedgehogs | Theo C-J | Hudson | Sammy |
| Woodpeckers | Sophie | All of Woodpeckers | Aaron |
| Owls | Jessica | Teagan | Sophie |

A super well done to all these amazing children!

Reading Champions

The children that have become reading champions this month are:

| | 13 th January | 20 th January | 27 th January |
|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Year 2 | Sophie | Scarlett | Sophie |
| Year 3 | Theo C-J | Izzie | Theo C-J |
| Year 4 | Poppy | Poppy | Poppy |
| Year 5 | Teddy | Sophie | Teddy |
| Year 6 | Olive | Emily and Leyton | Olive |
| Whole school wordcount | 984,872 | 872,556 | 924, 823 |

Wow! Super proud of everyone above and the whole school for reading so much this month!. Well done!

Value – Perseverance

The value for the month of January is Perseverance. The winners of the Values Leaves this month have been:

| Class | 13 th January | 20 th January | 27 th January |
|-------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Squirrels | Sebastian | Jessica | Eddie |
| Hedgehogs | William | Scarlett | Poppy |
| Woodpeckers | Niamh | JJ | Olivia |
| Owls | Joseph | Henry | Melissa |

Maths TT Rock Star Awards

The TT Rock Star awards, this month went to:

| | 13 th January | 20 th January | 27 th January |
|-------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Hedgehogs | Archer | Archer | Archer |
| Woodpeckers | Sophie | Kiera | Sophie |
| Owls | Leyton | Sophie | Leyton |

Dojo Points

Well done to Willow and Beech Houses this month who got the most Dojo points.

| | 13 th January | 20 th January | 27 th January |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 st Place | Willow (185) | Willow (186) | Beech (157) |
| 2 nd Place | Beech (173) | Beech (165) Hawthorn (165) | Willow (152) |
| 3 rd Place | Hawthorn (165) | Rowan (142) | Rowan (139) |
| 4 th Place | Rowan (145) | | Hawthorn (127) |

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 and 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. There is also information on our website.

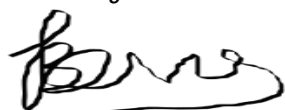
Note from the PTFA

100 Club reminder: The PTFA are now running a 100 club and the next draw will be on 24th February 2023. For a list of January winners – please see the website – there will also be a link where you can purchase numbers for this.

(Please ensure applications and payments are received in time to be checked before the draw on 24th February 2023)

I hope you all have a Fabulous February and have a super half-term break.

Kind regards



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