

Your Weekly Newsletter

Issue 130 Week Ending Friday 22nd December 2017



Just a few start of term dates:

Thursday 4th January 2018 ~ School opens for the start of the Spring Term

Monday 8th January ~ Extra-curricular clubs will start for the Spring Term

Thursday 11th January ~ Year 6 Parents are invited to attend a meeting about the SATs. 17:00 in the hall.

Friday 12th January ~ Dan Worsley will be in The Wing selling signed copies of his books.

This has been such a fabulous term with lots going on until the very end.

The candlelit carol service was even more lovely than ever before with a wonderful turn out. Your support attending this annual whole school event is very much appreciated by us all. It truly is a magical evening because we can come altogether in such a beautiful setting.



It is the first time we have ever done anything for Christmas with our PTFA so we hope that you enjoyed our Christmas market. We were overwhelmed by the amount that attended and hope that you all had fun despite it being a squash and a squeeze. The bake off was amazing and we were so impressed with our winners and runners up for the various sections (biscuits, pastry, buns, show stoppers..) The stalls in the hall were run by local businesses supporting our school. The presence of these stalls made our market feel more authentic albeit inside. We are sorry that there was some confusion over the start time but due to this being held inside we could not feasibly get the children to you safely at the original earlier time.

The raffle prizes this year have been wonderful and we are so grateful for the donations made by our local places of business. Well done to all our winners!

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A huge thank you goes to:

Carleton News, Carleton Community Choir, Direct Windows, Royal Estate Agents, Costcutter Carleton, Strongs Fruiteers, Sandcastle, Kabuki, Wyre Gun Club, Emma Bradbury (Slimming World), Fylde Rugby Club, Spa on the Breck, De Veres, Sara Howarth, Treetop Trek, The Salon, Ashley Alexander, Once upon a Cupcake, Pass with Panther, April Hanson-Brazil, Nuvo, Castle Gardens, Harry Wood Furniture, Wrea Green Equestrian Centre, Co-op, Ascent, Salt of the Earth, Bellamy's Chippy, All Shook Up, Sam Clegg's Butchers, Fashion House, Suda Thai, Grace and Grey, 4 Seasons Florist, Burnside, Carleton Dry Cleaners, New Penny Grill and Baby2Shooz.

You can find the homemade home items on [facebook.com/homeofhannah](https://www.facebook.com/homeofhannah).



Father Christmas and his Elves in his grotto



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Thank you to our hardworking parents on the PTFA and the Plant Place for making this a very special end of term. It was magical watching our children visit Father Christmas in such a fabulous grotto.



As mentioned at the last Parent Forum I said I would publish the details of Music Tuition on our newsletter.

The Parental Direct Payment scheme allows parents to pay the Music Service directly for instrumental and vocal tuition. The lessons are delivered in school. • Lessons are usually delivered in small groups and are a minimum of 20 minutes • Individual lessons are also available • Students will need to provide their own instrument (rental available from Lancashire Music Service if required) • Students have access to online resources to support their instrumental learning through Charanga Music World • New students start lessons at the beginning of each half term.

Enrol online at www.lancashiremusicclub.co.uk/enrol

Romeo Update

Romeo is now fully vaccinated and attends the vets every month for a health check and to receive his worming tablets. He has a three-monthly tablet to protect him against fleas and ticks. He ventured into school this week for a good sniff about and enjoyed a sneaky lick of Max Shaw's hand who came into school with his mum. After the Christmas break he will start his official training and we will need to expose him to being alongside little people. Please use the link below to let us know you are happy for your child to meet Romeo.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfz98esn9dHPYBaC-iWlGxWfK1M7d17yNsec4wfSClaRJ_aDg/viewform

TRIP MONEY UPDATE:

Thank you very much to those of you that have made a contribution towards the planned trips for your child/ren and to those that have offered to pay more!!!! (we can't accept)
It is a shame that a significant amount of school money will have to be used to pay the shortfall for the families that have not supported these planned activities. We are aware that we are asking for the contributions ahead of the trips taking place but we have operated in the same way as when booking a holiday – payment will secure our booking and transportation.

We WILL NOT cancel our plans this year.

8 families in Ducklings still have not paid,

20 families in KS1 have not paid.

26 families in Lower KS2 have not paid.

16 families in Upper KS2 have not paid.

If not having paid yet has been an oversight, please login to Parent Pay at your earliest convenience. In light of Christmas being an expensive time of year, we are extending the deadline to the end of January 2018.

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As you are aware we are continually striving for our pupils to have a good attendance record as good attendance equates to good achievement. Some of our families have received letters from our Attendance co-ordinator, Mr Cooper. The sending of these letters has been triggered by the percentage on our attendance records. Although some pupils have been unfortunate to have a low attendance due to illness it is still important to raise your awareness to their low percentage. We have rigorously gone through our attendance records and have seen that some low percentages are the result of one period of absence due to an illness or medical reason. Really, we are more concerned about those pupils who have two or more periods off school in a term or frequently arrive to school late and therefore are losing valuable learning time. We simply ask that you are mindful about your child's school attendance. If any families would like some help with ways to improve their child's attendance record, please pop in to speak with Mr Cooper.

Thank you for all your continued support for all that takes place inside and beyond school.
Susan McGrath Headteacher.