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Spring Term * We have now finished for the Spring Term with the most unusal ending we have ever known. I have spent the past two weeks in school running a skeleton staff with children that have to be in school as their parents are required to work to help with COVID 19. The children have been tremendous in coping with a very different life at school. They are in mixed aged groups and have a different team of staff every morning and afternoon. This week we have welcomed children from Carleton St Hilda's and Poulton St Chad's. They have all got along very well. Over the week they have carried out many different activities including a daily session of PE, gardening (thanks to Burnside Garden Centre for donating lots of bedding plants), painting tiles about keeping safe which Dots on Pots, Marsh Mill will kindly have glazed for us, creating modrian artwork, den building to name but a few!

By the three schools supporting each other in this way, it has meant that we are able to close for the Easter fortnight and rest before starting back on the 20th April. St Chad's are to host the child care next week (08:30-16:30), closing for Good Friday and St Hilda's are to host from the 14th April (08:30-16:30). We can appreciate that the children from our school will inevitably be nervous about attending a different school but we know that the staff in those schools will enjoy meeting them and supporting them as Carleton Green children are delightful with wonderful manners. We will continue to send out a google form for key workers to request the child care places and will text confirmation on the Friday. If something happens that requires a change though, please do not hesitate to call the hosting school in the morning. St Chad's number: <u>01253 883639</u> St Hilda's number: <u>01253 882225</u>

I am anticipating that this rota of hosting will continue until we are given the guidance that we can fully open our schools and resume normal education. I am sorry that I cannot provide a more definitive message about the immediate future so please continue to look at the website for home-learning ideas. These are to be updated on a weekly basis for acitivities to keep learning going. I have been thrilled to hear how well the home learning is going. Mr Vaughan has shown me some brilliant photographs of what some members of his class are doing at home!

Pupils that are entitled to Free School Meal provision due to being in receipt of benefits have been registered to receive a £15.00 voucher per child via email every week of term time starting the 20th April. When the email is received you can choose to have the voucher redeemed at the following supermarkets: Sainsbury's, Tesco, Asda, Morrisons, Waitrose or M&S Food. I'd like to to thank Jacqui (our school cook) who has prepared all the food for our families in the interim of these vouchers being arranged. She has been in every day to ensure that those that are in school are also being provided with healthy food throughout the day.

Thank you for your continued support in and out of school, Susan McGrath, Headteacher. head@carletongreen.lancs.sch.uk



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Although school has not been running as normal I am very appreciative of all the work my team have been carrying out whilst at home. The ladies in the office have been helping set the budget for the next year togther with supporting me with the general running of day to day school life. Teachers and Learning Support Assistants, when not in school, have been making sure that the activities for home learning is updated every week, they are blogging and responding to emails sent by their pupils, they are also reporting the attainment for all subjects, writing the end of year reports, planning for the subjects that they lead across school and ordering resources that will be necessary for when we are back in. The home learning links on our website are there to assist you in keeping your child's learning moving in the right direction. They cannot be as individualised as normal so if your child is finding it a little difficult or too easy we are relying upon you to help. Unfortunately it is not possible for my team to send out unique learning to families as they would be if in school.

Whilst we are closed in this way I felt it was an ideal opportunity to get a few areas of school improved. The toilets for our KS2 pupils are in great need of being reburshed and I thought that the children may like to choose the colours we have for the walls, cubicles and flooring. I am going to be emailing Miss Savage the colours for her to then present on our website where the children can place a vote. Please look out for this!



We are to remove the urinal in the boys' washroom and replace them with three cubicles. We are to remove the floor tiles and wall tiles and replace with washable surfaces.

The girls' washroom will have all fixtures and fittings removed and replaced with three new toilets and cubicles, sinks and mirrors. The flooring and wall panels will also be new, washable surfaces.

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