



Autumn Term

Friday 27th November ~ Flu Vaccines

Week beginning the 30th ~ assessment week across school and phonics screening for Year 2.

Monday 7th December – Christmas activities – look out for more details

Thursday 17th December ~ Christmas Lunch in school.

Thursday 17th December ~ Outdoor Carol Service from 14:30. More details to follow.

Friday 18th December ~ Interim reports will be emailed home.

Friday 18th December ~ School Closes for the Christmas holidays.

Monday 4th January ~ Spring Term

We always open up the facility for your child to enjoy a school cooked Christmas Dinner. If you would like your child to have one, when they normally bring a packed lunch; please let the classteacher know together with sending a payment of £2.30. This is to take place on the 17th December where we also would like children to come to school wearing a Christmas jumper. Christmas will not appear until the final two weeks as we want to maintain as much optimum learning as possible.

It has been most unfortunate to have had to close our Early Year's bubble this week but I have been very pleased with how well the children are responding to their remote learning. This is a new process for the teachers and our practice will evolve as time goes on so please be patient with us.

All their learning spaces have been disinfected by Fylde Sanitising. The Antiviral Fogging process kills 99.9% of bacteria including COVID. And so, we look forward to welcoming back the children and team of staff to a safe environment on Thursday. We have scheduled our school to be cleaned in this way at the close of every term and after any positive cases as an additional step in keeping us all safe. As always, we appreciate your support in all these additional safety measures we are taking.

Today, we have interviewed for the permanent position of Deputy Headteacher and I am pleased to announce that Rachel McEvilly has secured this post. She works tirelessly for Carleton Green with a very sound ethos that all children should succeed. She no doubt will sleep well tonight but I can confirm that it is a very well earned appointment.

Mrs Harding is to remain off from school until the Christmas period and so Mis Clarke will remain teaching in her class so that the children are to have continuity. Miss Clarke then will move across to teach in Parrots after the Christmas break to cover Miss Clarkson's maternity as planned. We are very pleased with how well she has settled into life at Carleton Green.

Cards for Kindness

Help reduce loneliness in older people during COVID-19 by sending a message of hope.

Loneliness is a growing problem among older people, and in care homes it can be a particularly difficult issue to resolve. Figures from Age UK show that 200,000 older people have not had a conversation with friends or family for a month, and 60% of people in care homes get no visitors at all.

Cards for Kindness is an initiative which aims to reduce loneliness in our care homes by encouraging members of the community to send a card to a local care home.

It's always lovely to receive a card through the post and this often sparks conversation and encourages residents to talk to each other. Research shows this has many health benefits, especially for people living with dementia. This is even more prominent amid the coronavirus pandemic as visiting is suspended. More details can be found at the following site:

<https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/CardsForKindness>

Thank you for your continued support both within and beyond school. Stay Safe, Susan McGrath, Headteacher. head@carletongreen.lancs.sch.uk

I am pleased to confirm that the pupils and staff of Carleton Green Primary School raised **£129.59** for this year's Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2020. The RBL I would like to thank you all for participating in this year's appeal, especially during these difficult and most trying times.



Once again, we are experiencing a high number of parents using our staff carpark for dropping off and picking up purposes. We ask that the carpark to **not** be used at any time by parents to enable the staff of school to park safely. Children should not be accessing school via the carpark but should use the three assigned pathways. We ask this for everyone's safety. We have recently received a report that taxi drivers too (that have been authorised by LCC) who come to drop off children at our setting have been witnessed to not have driven with due care and attention. We have spoken to the companies that organise this transportation. If you do see anyone/thing that potentially could place our children at risk, please always inform school as safety is our priority.

Please remember, that you are always welcome to speak to your class teacher or members of the leadership team about any matters, both good and bad. We would rather work together to get the very best for your child.

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