



Apologies for this newsletter being sent out today but we wanted to wait for all possible responses from the parents of our Year 6 pupils. After discussions with the year 5/6 team and the families of our Year 6 pupils it has been decided that the trip to London will go ahead. We are very excited about this trip and are sure we will create life long memories for the children. The dates for this trip will be Monday 27th June through to Wednesday 29th June. *Payments for this trip can be made in instalments or as a full amount. Simply phone the office to find out how.*

If your child is suffering from a sickness and diarrhoea bug we advise that you keep your child off school for a further 48 hours once all symptoms have ceased. This will help us prevent further spreading of the illness.

Social media has formed part of our everyday lives now and it is very important our children are able to use it appropriately and safely. Knowing who your child is communicating with is a very important step in ensuring your child is safe. Although as parents we may think that our child communicating with their friends is appropriate, it is still vitally important that the content of messages is checked also. Cyber bullying can be easily stopped if spotted:

Don't respond. *If someone bullies you, remember that your reaction is usually exactly what the bully wants. It gives him or her power over you. Who wants to empower a bully?*

Don't retaliate. *Getting back at the bully turns you into one and reinforces the bully's behavior. Help avoid a whole cycle of aggression.*

Save the evidence. *The only good news about digital bullying is that the harassing messages can usually be captured, saved, and shown to someone who can help. You need to do this even if it's minor stuff, in case things escalate.*

Talk to a trusted adult. *You deserve backup. It's always good to involve a parent but – if you can't – a school counselor usually knows how to help. Sometimes both are needed. If you're really nervous about saying something, see if there's a way to report the incident anonymously at school.*

Block the bully. *If the harassment's coming in the form of instant messages, texts, or profile comments, do yourself a favor: Use preferences or privacy tools to block the person. If it's in chat, leave the "room."*

Be civil. *Even if you don't like someone, it's a good idea to be decent and not sink to the other person's level. Also, research shows that gossiping about and trash talking others increases your risk of being bullied. Treat people the way you want to be treated.*

Don't be a bully. *How would you feel if someone harassed you? You know the old saying about walking a mile in someone's shoes; even a few seconds of thinking about how another person might feel can put a big damper on aggression. That's needed in this world.*

Be a friend, not a bystander. *Watching or forwarding mean messages empowers bullies and hurts victims even more. If you can, tell bullies to stop or let them know harassment makes people look stupid and mean. It's time to let bullies know their behaviour is unacceptable – cruel abuse of fellow human beings. Always report the behaviour.*

Please help us in keeping your child safe and happy.



... Although it is repeatedly mentioned about parking, we are still finding that parents are still using the school carpark when dropping off and picking up. The parking facility at the front of our school is for staff use only and often we are finding we are unable to find a parking space. We have a path leading to the front entrance that enables safe access to our school grounds with

no requirement for pedestrians to cross our carpark. We ask that you refrain from entering the carpark in the future please in an effort to keep all safe.



Strangely we have seen the appearance of chewing gum in school despite this being something that is not permitted in school. Can you please ensure that your child does not bring chewing gum to school?

The Sports Page @ Carleton Green

Wow, what another busy, sporty week we have had!

The children in year 3 and 4 had a fantastic morning of OAA (Outdoor Adventure Activities). The children were split into their houses and had an exciting morning of team building and problem solving. The children were solving Maths and Literacy problems around their Volcano and Earthquake topic. The children had OAA including; trusting their team members to guide each other through a memory obstacle course whilst some members were blind-folded, non-verbal communication bench games and racing to find out if facts were true or false. The children (and staff) really enjoyed themselves!

On Wednesday evening our football team played fantastically against Breck School. The children drew 0-0. Well done!

A huge WELL DONE to all of the children that took part in the Rossall Biathlon. The children were in high spirits and behaved exceptionally well all day. There were over 230 competitors!

A huge WELL DONE to Katie Weller who WON the Year 6 girls and a huge WELL DONE to Amy Weller who came SECOND in the year 5 girls (it must run in the family).

Thank you to everyone who has brought me their photographs this week. It is lovely to see how active and healthy you all are. This week I had photos of dancers, swimmers and rock climbers!

I would really like to promote the variety of sport and active lifestyles our children are involved in outside of school, so please send in a photograph of yourself participating in your favourite activity.

Let's see how active and healthy we all are!

These are to be no bigger than 6 x 4 inch and to be sent to **MISS HOWARTH**.

Kind Regards,

Miss Howarth
PE and SSP Co-Ordinator

Star of the Week **certificates have been awarded to:**

Oscar Croft-Waterhouse from Yellow Ducklings	Daniel McClaren from Green Ducklings
Lexi Nelson from Parrots	Mia Mattinson from Herons
Kaysha Ryan from Robins	Sydney Terry from Owls
Jack Kershaw from Doves	Cole Dixon from Kestrels
Jodie Williams from Hawks	Alana Ratcliffe from Falcons
Euan Green from Eagles	Well done everyone!

Dates to note

(this list is by no means exhaustive so please keep

looking for additional events and information)

Tuesday 9th February – Parrots Class assembly 15:00-15:30

Thursday 11th February - meeting for Yr 5 parents regarding Ghyll Head trip. 15:30

Friday 12th February – OPEN AFTERNOON from 14:30. All are invited to come and share the work the children have been



carrying out since Christmas.

Friday 12th February – Monday 22nd February Half Term Holidays

Wednesday 24th -Friday 26th February - Residential Ghyll Head Trip for year 5 with Mr Jones, Mrs McGrath, Miss McArdle and Mr Cox.

Tuesday 1st March – Herons Class Assembly 15:00

Monday 7th March - Year 2 Parents meeting for 2016 SATs arrangements from 15.45

Tuesday 15th March – Robins Class Assembly 15:00

Tuesday 15th and Thursday 17th March 16:00 – 19:00 – Parents' Evenings for Years 1-6 with mid-term reports.

Tuesday 22nd March –Years 3 & 4 Productions 14:00 & 18:00

Thursday 24th March – Finish at 14:30 for Easter break.

Thank you for your ongoing support with all that takes place in and out of school.

Susan McGrath Headteacher at Carleton Green Community School.