



We had a wonderful time with the year Five pupils at Ghyll Head and the children spent three full days enjoying physical activities in the stunning Lake District with no technology whatsoever. We had perfect weather and were able to access all the planned activities. Many of our adventures can be seen on our Twitter page via our website. The children rose to every challenge and thrived in their teams.

I am a lover of technology and gadgets but I do not like the way they can sadly affect our lives. It is a fact that a negative message can affect the recipient for a long time. Please have a look at the link provided which shows very clearly how easily a life can be ruined with inappropriate use of social media: <http://old.digizen.org/cyberbullying/fullfilm.aspx>

It has come to the attention of school that pupils in upper Key Stage Two have been using social media over the half term holiday to make others feel anxious and scared. Any acts of bullying are not tolerated at Carleton Green. We want our children to be happy and safe whilst learning. Due to the nature of the correspondence we have called on the support from the police. They have spoken to the children and families involved. They advised school that it is the duty of parents/carers to oversee the appropriate use of technology. We have instructed the children to respond to unpleasant correspondence in the following way:

- 1) BLOCK the sender, 2) Tell parents or carers, 3) Tell school, 4) KEEP the messages.

We ask that parents do not get involved but follow the above guidelines also.

In light of this we are to hold some sessions in school to raise the awareness in our pupils of the harm of malicious communications. We also intend to hold a session for parents/carers to attend to learn how to protect our children from such incidences. Dates of these events will be arranged and you will be notified in due course.

I have seen some wonderful work taking place also this week. Robins have been working hard writing poetry in the style of a poem shared and have produced some fabulous pieces. Kestrels have enjoyed applying their mathematical understanding of coordinates.



#### The Sports Page @ Carleton Green

An excellent, energetic start to this half term...

A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS to Amber Finn from Kestrels class, for competing in a Gymnastics Competition in Burnley. Amber came away with two silver medals; one of these was for her amazing floor routine! We were all lucky enough to watch the DVD of this in assembly. There were over 250 competitors, so Amber you should be very proud of yourself, as we are all very proud of you!

Cardinal Allen has sent their apologies for cancelling the Year 6 Multi-skills Inclusion competition last week. If your child was chosen for the team you will be informed of the date when they re-schedule.

Year 5 and 6 tri golf started last week. There are still places available. If you would like to start tri-golf on a Wednesday morning from 8am with Mr Cox, please come and see me for a letter.

Year 1 and 2 started playground games this week. There are a few places still available. If you would like to start playground games on a Wednesday after school with Miss Clarkson, please come and see me for a letter.

Year 5 and 6 tag-rugby training has started this week on a Wednesday and Thursday lunch time. Phil was delighted with how well the first training sessions went, well done to everyone who attended this week!

*Please remember to wear warm and suitable clothing and footwear for clubs!*

**Sports Relief** is back! **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016!** This year's sports relief at Carleton Green is about raising awareness of the importance of sport and being healthy, spend the day being energetic and to raise as much money as possible for people less fortunate than us. The money we raise will go to helping people living tough lives in the UK and across the world.

Your child is welcome to come to school dressed in their own sports clothes (dance wear, gymnastics leotards, football teams kits, horse-riding attire etc) If your child isn't part of a team or club outside of school, they are welcome to come as their favourite sports person or in any sportswear (football kits, tracksuits, joggers etc.) *Please wear trainers and bring spare footwear!* We are suggesting a £1 donation from the children.

I will begin my morning dance-a-thon by opening the doors at 8:15am for party dancing. Children are welcome to come to school from 8:15am to join me in the hall. During the morning I will be leading the Dance-a-thon/Wake and Shake for each class. Each class will spend 20minutes in the hall dancing away and warming up ready for...their MILE run/walk/jog/skip. Children will then take to field to complete their mile along with Mrs Crooks supporting them. Children will then cool down and stretch with Miss Kitt.

Your child will have brought a sponsor form home with them today. This is for the children to collect sponsors for their energetic Sports Relief day. Please can all sponsor forms and monies be brought into school on the day of Sports Relief, many thanks! During the day the children in their classes will be learning about where their money they have raised will go and the benefits of it. Anyone who would like to sponsor me 30p for dancing all morning there will be a pot in the hall; all proceeds raised will go to Sports Relief!!

Thank you very much in advance for supporting this great cause! We are looking forward to a very energetic day! Good luck everyone and I know you will do yourselves proud!

Active Kids is back! We have until **3<sup>rd</sup> May** to collect as many Sainsbury's vouchers to help get sports and cooking equipment for school. Let's see how many vouchers we can collect this year and what amazing new equipment we can buy for school! Find out more at <https://activekids.sainsburys.co.uk/>

I cannot thank you enough for all the amazing photographs you have emailed me and sent into me. It is fantastic to see how active and healthy you all are in very different ways. Please continue to send these in for them to be displayed in school.

These are to be no bigger than 6 x 4 inch and to be sent to **MISS HOWARTH**. If you would prefer to email them, please send them to; [r.howarth@carletongreen.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:r.howarth@carletongreen.lancs.sch.uk)

Kind Regards,

Miss Howarth  
PE and SSP Co-Ordinator

**Mother's Day**. A letter has gone out to invite Mums to come to school on the 11<sup>th</sup> March in the afternoon to have tea or coffee with their child and enjoy a fun cake decorating session. As outlined in the letter tickets are £3.00 each and include 2 cakes for children to decorate, tea or coffee and a gift for each Mum. Grandparents and Dads are also welcome at an additional charge of £3.00 each. There will also be a raffle held during each session. You have been asked to return the slip below to school if you require tickets and indicate your preferred time. This is a popular event so please don't wait to prevent disappointment.

We have noticed an increasing number of children being taken out of school during the school day. Please can you endeavour to make appointments for dental visits to outside of the school hours?

Dates to note

*(this list is by no means exhaustive so please keep looking for additional events and information)*

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March – Mother's Day

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March - Year 2 Parents meeting for 2016 SATs arrangements from 15.45

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Mother's Day cake decorating afternoon.

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Robins Class Assembly 15:00

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

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Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Little Chicks’ parent workshop afternoon.

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March –Years 3 & 4 Productions 14:00 & 18:00

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March – We are celebrating world book day on this date and your child’s teacher will be sending information home with details about themes.

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.