Your Weekly Newsletter Issue 79 Week Ending 24th June 2016



As always a new year brings about change in a school. We have teachers moving classes, moving on and new members joining our team. As we have forty five pupils in each year group we have to arrange our classes into mixed year groups. We pride ourselves on meeting each child's individual needs through careful planning and differentiation. Because of the success of our arrangements in Key Stage Two we are going to organise our Infants in the same way. Parrots, Herons and Robins Classes will now be arranged into three classes with an equal mix of Year One and Year Two children. They will be organised into three balanced classes where friendships will be highly considered. The organisation of the classes throughout school is no mean feat and it takes us a lot of time and discussion so that the children's needs and friendships are all considered to ensure that each have the very best opportunity to thrive over the coming year.

We are to continue to have Mrs Stock (Nursery Manager), Mrs Hutchinson and Miss Rickus in Little Chicks. Mrs Lees and Mrs Catterall (Phase Leader) are to remain as the class teachers in our Duckling Classes, Mr Boyd (Phase Leader), Mrs Claydon and Miss Clarkson will teach our three infant classes. Miss Howarth is to stay in Owls teaching the Year Three Four children and joining her in the Lower Key Stage Two team will be Mrs Harding in Doves and Mr Cooper in Kestrels. Mr Cooper is an exceptional, experienced teacher from Stanah Primary School. He has been appointed to not only assist us in raising standards but to also take a lead with extra-curricular activities and outdoor learning.

Then teaching in our three upper Key Stage Two classes will be Mr Jones (Phase Leader) in Eagles Class, Mr Vaughan in Falcons Class and Miss Deane in Hawks Class. All teachers are entitled to time out of class to support them with preparation, planning and assessments. We want these sessions to maintain our high standards and so are to have the cover provided by experienced teachers that are already valued in our school. Mrs Wills is to support the teaching in the Infants and Ducklings with Mrs Jones, Mrs Cassidy, Mrs Gough and Mrs Walsh supporting the teachers throughout school. Our Learning Support Staff are much needed to enable all our children to succeed and they will be deployed throughout the school once our classes are chosen under the guidance of our SENCo.

Mrs Chippendale is our Special Educational Needs Coordinator with no teaching commitment and is our first port of call for cover for any teacher absence. This is to ensure we have consistency in our standards and delivery.

As you can see we are losing Mr Cox this summer. He has enjoyed his first year of teaching with us and has shared his passion for music with the children but has decided to make a move to teach abroad. Mr Vaughan has also decided to make a significant change this year and is returning to a full time teaching role. He has rediscovered his passion for teaching and has as a result, resigned from his Deputy Headteacher role with effect from the 1st July. I want to discuss with our Governing Body how I foresee our school moving forwards and therefore in the meantime should you have anything you would normally wish to raise with the Deputy Headteacher please know you always welcome to speak with any member of the Senior Leadership Team or me. The Senior Leadership Team consists of Mrs Dawn Farnworth, Mrs Mandy Catterall, Mr Stephen Boyd, Mr Russell Jones and Mrs Nicola Chippendale.

In any school there will be issues over behaviour and friendships where bullying can occur. I would like to assure all members of our school that we have zero tolerance to negative behaviour and we ask that you support us fully to guide your children to respond in a more positive manner. We in turn will always support home with behaviour. Our Carleton Code clearly sets out what is expected at our school. It is both sad and frustrating that much of our behavioural issues come from incidents that take place out of school in the local parks and through the use of social media. We ask that you are mindful of this and monitor your child's use of technology and supervise their play.

I am incredibly sorry that our celebration assembly on Friday was cancelled but we had an unfortunate incident whereby Mr Jones was hurt by a leather football and an ambulance was needed. We have had to remove ball play for the short term but are still encouraging active playtimes. Our MUPA is currently out of use but is due to be resurfaced very soon where we can then reinstate games with balls.

We hope you enjoyed our more active Sports' Day and that the children found it to be a fun experience. Thank you for the brilliant turn out to support us!

The Sports Page @ Carleton Green

What an excellent two weeks of healthy living and sport we have had!!

Last week we had a fun-filled week of the year 5/6 inter-house football and the year 3/4 rounders competitions. The children really enjoyed earning points for their houses. Due to the weather of last week there are still some year groups to compete in their other interhouse activities.





The children really enjoyed having the opportunity to bring in different sports equipment from home. If there is something you would like to bring in next time we do this please write a *suggestion* and bring it to MISS HOWARTH.







Sports day was a huge success this year. The aim was to keep the children active and to have as much fun as possible, whilst being competitive and earning points for their houses. The children were smiling and expressing how much they enjoyed their active sports day through-out the afternoon. I really hope you enjoyed Sports Day as much as the children and staff did. I would really like to hear what you thought about it.

I would like to take this opportunity to THANK everyone that was involved in helping me organise and plan this successful day (staff and parents). A HUGE thank you to our sports captains, head and deputy boys and girls. They did not stop all afternoon. They were organised, nurturing and very energetic! We also had 12 girls from Hodgson who did a fantastic job and leading the Multiskills stations, who were fantastic at demonstrating, scoring and keeping the children active.

Got to Dance auditions have begun! Mrs Lees and I have seen some excellent talent this week and we cannot wait to see more auditions. Please remember to be on time for your audition. Auditions are taking place in yellow Ducklings classroom. We are very much looking forward to the final on **Wednesday** 6th **July**.

This week we have seen the girls and boys swim in the swimming Gala's. The team spirit and energy from both teams was fantastic. Mrs McArdle and I are very proud of you all! A HUGE well done to Connal Roe who won 1st place in the final of the front crawl and to Ben Atkin who came 3rd in the final of the front crawl and butterfly. The boys came 4th out of 8 schools which is brilliant. A HUGE well done to Katie Weller who came 1st in the final of the back stroke and to Amy Weller who came 2nd in the final of the breast stroke. The girls came 2nd out of 8 schools. WELL DONE GIRLS!!

Our school hall is looking fantastic displaying all the amazing ways you all keep *active and healthy*. In addition to this, I would love some photographs of you *eating and drinking healthy choices* (this could be snacks, picnics etc). All photographs 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

Kind Regards,

Miss Howarth
PE Co-Ordinator

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Gentle Reminders:

As mentioned many times the carpark at the front of school is designated for the staff that work within our school only. We ask that all our families respect this and park outside the school grounds after 08:00. Only this week two of our teachers reported that they nearly hit children who were running across the carpark to access school.

Please stay out of the carpark and use the path to the main entrance.

This article was recently published for the attention of all headteachers:

There have been a number of accidents involving vehicles manoeuvring in Lancashire school car parks and sadly one accident resulted in a fatality. This highlights the need for premises managers to ensure a robust risk assessment is undertaken and arrangements are put in place for keeping these areas safe.

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?

Our school is a no smoking site. This ban does include the smoking of e-cigarettes. Please respect our policy and keep our grounds smoke free.

Dates to note

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

Monday 27th June – Year 6 three day residential trip to London

Sat 2nd July – Summer Fair/Carleton Green's 40th Birthday Party. Hope you all like our brilliant banners to advertise this event. We'd like to extend a HUGE thank you to Mr Duke for his efforts in designing and getting these made.

Friday 8th July – End of Year Reports to go out.

Week beginning 11th July – Transition week for children to move to new classes.

Tuesday 19th July – Year 5/6 End of Year Production 14:00 & 18:00

Wednesday 20th July – Leavers' Awards Evening followed by BBQ. 17:30 onwards.

<u>Friday 22nd July</u> – Last day of term with an awards assembly at 13:00. (Be on standby as your child may be chosen for an award.) Finish for summer at **14:30**.

Back to school September 1st 2016.

Please find the following dates and times for Judo club in September. They are to come into school for an assembly on the 13th September at 15:00. Then sessions will run on the 19th, 26th September 16 and 3rd, 10th, 17th October 16. All of these classes will take place in the school hall from 08:00-08:45am.

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Thank you for your ongoing support with all that takes place in and out of school. Susan McGrath Headteacher at Carleton Green Community School.