



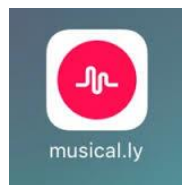
We have had a wonderful music extravaganza week with Years Three and Four putting on an amazing show for parents. We then held our infamous Musician and Voice of the Year evening where Poppy Taylor and Charlotte Powell were awarded as the winners. The brilliant Got to Dance evening was held midweek where a team of girls won with a fabulously choreographed performance. Each of the winning acts is being asked to repeat their performances on our final assembly of the year at 13:00.

Our teaching staff work very hard to put on such events and it is wonderful that our children get the opportunity to excel in other areas beyond subjects on our curriculum.

On Thursday we have the NSPCC coming into school to carry out an assembly with our infant children and an assembly for our older pupils. They will be discussing ways they can help themselves keep safe especially with the use of social media. Please use the opportunity to discuss with your child all that is covered during their presentations.

How our pupils are conducting themselves out of school on the local park, in the local shops and on social media is causing school considerable concern. We are finding ourselves spending a lot of time trying to manage situations that are beyond school's control. We ask that you support us by supervising your child when they are playing out and that all use of social media is monitored. Please see the article below that explains the risk of another type of media that is used by school children:

Have you heard about the app. musical.ly? It is an app that has been out for nearly a year and enables the user to create videos to impress their family and friends by selecting a sound and lip sync with favourite songs. The end product can then be shared on Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, Messenger, WhatsApp and Vine. The trend is to get 'fans' from the musical.ly community and see how their music videos rank on the leaderboard. It has an age rating of 12+ and can be harmless and good fun if used sensibly.



A number of our pupils are using the app, many under the age of 12, with their privacy setting left open, consequently their videos are available for the whole wide world to see. Even more worrying, a large number of videos have been filmed with pupils wearing their school uniform, which is not acceptable. This would make it very easy to locate the school and individual, putting everyone at risk. The trend to build up the number of 'fans' when the account is not private attracts unknown followers.

This unfortunately is an ideal start for any potential groomer. Another fact, recently a man has been prosecuted for grooming a 10 year old girl through this app.

As a responsible parent, please check the settings on your child's electronics for all social media apps and ensure they are set to private.

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)

Friday 8th July – reports home.

Tuesday 12th July – Optional drop in for parents to discuss the reports 15:30-17:00.

Sat 16th 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 Dukes for his efforts in designing and getting these made.

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

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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.

Friday 22nd July – 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.
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