

# Your Weekly Newsletter

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Sorry this is such a long newsletter. I have so much to share with you this week. We hope you agree when we say our school is looking lovely. All the classrooms have been decorated to a high standard with new technology. We are now desperate for our hall to be extended and are actively trying to raise the funds to pay for this to become reality. Our plans for the hall include it becoming larger to accommodate us all as well as enabling sport to take place easily within. The plans include a kitchen and toilet facility that will be accessible from the outside. This is something we want not only for ourselves but also for others to use beyond the school day/calendar. Dance schools and exercise classes could benefit from such a space as well as Guides and Scouting groups. We are looking at bids to assist us with this.

We hope that you will be able to join us on the 21<sup>st</sup> October for our open afternoon. This is an opportunity for you to come into school to look around and see what your child has been doing over the half term. We are very proud of their books and the work they are producing and we hope you will notice our higher expectations and standards. As mentioned in our vision for this coming year we really want to improve attendance and punctuality to assist in our children achieving well. We have revised our attendance policy and would like to draw your attention to it on our website. If you experience difficulties getting your child to school by 08:55 please let us know as we may be able to help you.

I would REALLY love us to have a walking bus along Arundel Drive but need volunteers. Let me know if this is of interest to you.



It is important that as a School we prepare our pupils positively for life in modern Britain by promoting the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect. We endeavour to meet this aim through running a school council, through operating our positive behaviour strategies – team points, Star of the Week and Carleton Codes and our PSHE lessons. However, we are finding that social media is influencing the younger generation in such a way that we need to provide specific education to ensure their safety. Only this weekend inappropriate images have been posted between ex pupils that now attend high school along with our pupils viewing inappropriate images on You Tube. I have invited the police to run a course for our school to assist us in educating and therefore protecting our children. I hope that these sessions are fun and engaging whilst being age appropriate. Before these commence I will be sending home details of the contents of these sessions.

The charity Committee met this week and would like school to support Breast Cancer Awareness this year. To do this we would like all children to come to school on Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> with a £1 donation; wearing either a pink top or a brightly coloured top. We ask that uniform is worn for the bottom half please.

We have some very exciting news to share with you. Miss Clarkson is expecting her first child. We are thrilled for her and are already looking forward to meeting our Carleton baby. Obviously this news will instigate rather a lot of curiosity from the children in Heron's Class but please be reassured that Miss Clarkson will bat all inquiries about where babies come from back to home so that you may explain to the depth you are comfortable with. She is anticipating leaving at February half term as she is due in March. We will obviously cover her absence with a skilled teacher to ensure the children in her class receive the quality of teaching they are accustomed to.

### **Operation Christmas Child Shoe box Appeal- Advance notice.**

This year school is a drop off point for the area. If you would like to participate in this project, sending what is effectively a "box of joy" to a child in difficult circumstances in another country in the world, you could start collecting box contents now. The children will learn more about the shoe box appeal after half term and boxes need to be back in school by November the 18<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions about the boxes, please ask Mrs Walsh or visit the Operation Christmas Child website: <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

### Harvest time appeal.

This year we are collecting items for the Comfort Zone Blackpool. The Comfort Zone helps approximately 100 people each week who maybe be homeless, sofa surfing or on no or very low income, by providing a whole variety of different supportive services. Part of their work includes making hot meals every Monday, sandwiches on Wednesdays and distributing good condition second hand clothes and bedding where needed. This is where we come in!

### Up until half term at school we will be collecting:

Dry food such as: tins of corn beef, tuna, baked beans, noodles, rice, pasta, breakfast cereals, tinned veg, biscuits etc.

Also good quality, clean: duvets, sleeping bags, blankets.

Unused basic toiletries eg shower gel, shampoo.

NO CLOTHING PLEASE AT THIS TIME.

Any questions please see Mrs Walsh.

Mr Cooper has spotted the following learning taking place outside of the Classroom this week:

Yellow and Brown Ducklings - Autumn sensory walk, living graphs, measuring height, kicking balls, rolling tyres, teamwork and practicing letter formation. They have also been building confidence in jumping off the tyre without help. Parrots - Number sequences counting up in 2, 5, 10 and including before and after numbers, Herons - Active maths - counting in 10's, Robins - Throwing and catching different types of balls. Rolling different size balls, Owls - measure and problem solving. Human electric circuit. Doves - Practicing times tables and counting up in 25's whilst throwing and catching, Kestrels - Exploring the outdoors to help plan a setting description using senses, Hawks - Angles - solving problems using measurements, Falcons - PE - Athletics and Eagles - PE - Outdoor Adventurous Activity with Fleetwood Town.

### **The Sports Page @ Carleton Green**

This week Pals have been out at lunchtimes learning new warm up games. The PALs have also had an opportunity to team teach. They have been teaching each other their new games which they have created and together they reflected on the teaching delivery and the game. Together they discussed improvements and next steps. They are working really hard and are going to make super PALs.



I am very pleased to announced that this year's Sports Captains are Jack Booth for Poseidon, Millie Potts for Athena, Amy Weller for Apollo and Nathan Osbourne for Demeter. We have already had our first meeting this week and the children have taken on their roles with both hands and already started making some fantastic efforts to help me. They assisted my 'Energetic and Healthy' assembly this week where they told KS2 how important their role is to them and their aims for this year. I am very much looking forward to working with you all this year!



Energetic and Healthy is a vital part of our lives as well as being part of the Carleton Code. To make children aware and to really emphasise the importance of it, I would like the children to create a poster for the hall. In assembly we discussed different ways to be active and healthy in school, after school and outside school, the importance of it and the many positives you can gain from it. These posters are to be creative, eye-catching and imaginative. I will then select chosen posters to display in the hall and there may even be some prizes... These posters are due in on **FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2016. Please have your name and class name on your poster.**

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Our Football Team played their first match of the league against The Breck this week and what a super match it was. The team won 2-1 with a huge WELL DONE to Matthew Kirkham who scored BOTH goals.

This week I received some very exciting news that we have been awarded Bronze School Games Mark Award. This year we are thriving to gain the Silver Award. The School Games Mark is awarded for the commitment to clubs and competition. The Sports Captains and I are aiming to have more children involved at clubs in order for us to be able to enter more competitions this year. *What clubs are you going to try this year?*



Miss Howarth  
PE Co-Ordinator [r.howarth@carletongreen.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:r.howarth@carletongreen.lancs.sch.uk)

 Please check your child's hair this weekend for any unwelcome visitors. Headlice spread very easily and can cause a lot of irritation for the host. Treatments can be bought over the counter at all chemists.

## Dates to note

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

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Eagles' Class Assembly

Parents' evening slips will come out during the week of the 10<sup>th</sup> October.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October – **PTFA Halloween Spooky Family Fun**. This is to commence at 18:00 to finish no later than 20:30.

We want families to come in fancy dress; prepared to have lots of fun with us. There will be a best carved pumpkin competition, a prize for the best dressed family and child plus lots of fun games and a disco. We will serve chilli and rice or hotdogs and we will have a bar for drinks. Tickets for this family event are priced at £2.50 for an adult ticket and £1.50 for a child ticket. We ask that all children are accompanied by an adult to this evening. Tickets are now available from the school office.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October – Wow Afternoon – families are invited to come into school from 14:00 to spend some time working alongside us looking at all we have done for the half term.

Half Term Friday 21.10.16-7.11.16 - We are hoping that the two weeks will help our families for holidays outside of term times.

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November – Writer and Mathematician of the half term Assembly.

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November – Parents' Evening 16:00-19:00

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November – Parents' Evening 16:00-19:00

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November – Doves' Class Assembly

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Falcons' Class Assembly

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December – Owls' Class Assembly

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Little Chicks' and Ducklings' Nativity.

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Infant Christmas Play

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Family Christmas Candlelit Carol Service at Rossall Chapel.

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – School Closes for Christmas at 14:30

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – school is open for the Spring Term. This day is a Design and Technology day so please send your children in clothes that you don't mind the children getting messy.

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

Katie Blight from Yellow Ducklings	Lily Wooton from Brown Ducklings
Max Billington from Parrots	Daniel McClaren from Herons
Zak Lukac from Robins	Annabel Billington from Owls
Evie Dale from Doves	Maya Whiteman from Kestrels
Josh Perry & Sydney Terry from Hawks	Mariella Boi from Falcons
Chloe Donald from Eagles	Well done everyone!



We really want 100% attendance and Zero late arrivals to school. Which class will win each week?

Yellow Ducklings 99% with 2 lates	Brown Ducklings 98% with 0 lates
Parrots 96% with 1 late	Herons 95 % with 3 lates
Robins 98% with 0 lates	Owls 93% with 0 lates
Doves 99% with 6 lates	Kestrels 98% with 5 lates
Hawks 98% with 4 lates	Falcons 96% with 0 lates
Eagles 96% with 5 lates	Well done everyone for making it to school!

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

Susan McGrath Headteacher at Carleton Green Community School.