## **Your Weekly Newsletter**

Issue 96 Week Ending 20th January 2017



This has been yet another busy, busy week! The children have all started to enjoy their new class novels and the displays around school are a stunning reflection of the work taking place. Well done too, to our A and B teams that played in the football tournament on Tuesday. They performed really well.

Eagle-eyed schoolchildren set to count Lancashire's birds including the children at Carleton Green. We are going to be swapping books for binoculars this coming week to take part in the UK's biggest schools wildlife survey.

On Thursday radio Lancashire will be in school to interview our keenest bird spotters. I am looking forward to know what will be seen.

## Please get involved and report the bird life you spot this weekend.

The RSPB's Big Schools' Birdwatch 2017 takes place during this first half of the spring term and helps children discover the wonderful wildlife they share their school grounds with, whilst providing a helpful insight into which species are thriving or declining. According to research conducted by the RSPB2, one in five children are disconnected from nature. Big Schools' Birdwatch aims to inspire children to care about the natural world around them in the hope they'll want to help protect it for future generations. Last year almost 100,000 pupils and teachers from schools all across the UK took part by counting the birds that visited their school grounds, and it is hoped even more will take part this year.

Over the years, more than 70 different species have been recorded in school grounds, ranging from starlings and house sparrows, to red kites and green woodpeckers. The blackbird remained the most common playground visitor in 2016 whilst starlings held onto the second spot. And for the first time wood pigeons made the top three, jumping up the list from sixth position the year before.

Further information can be found on the RSPB website rspb.org.uk/birdwatch



Well done to the following children for being our stars this week:

Sophia Eaton, Jaxson Walsh, Joel Millerick, Alex Greenwood, Liam Nixon, Kitty Eliffe, Abbie Williamson, Archie Holroyd, Abigail Mackie, Scarlett Ormand, Matthew Anderson

Dates to note

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

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January ~ Year 6 parents – evening to discuss what to expect with SATS

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January ~ Kestrel's Class Assembly 15:00

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Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February ~ Herons' Class assembly 15:00

10<sup>th</sup> February ~ close for half term at 15:30

~ Choir attend Young Voices Manchester.

Open Afternoon has been moved to the Friday before the Easter break due to quite a few children and teachers being out of school on the 10<sup>th</sup> February with Young Voices.

Parents' Evenings 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017 (16:00-19:00)

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February ~ Robins' Class Assembly 15:00

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March ~ Year 4 perform with their Ukulele at the Musical Evening at the Winter Gardens

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March ~ Parrots' Class Assembly 15:00

<u>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March</u> ~ Yellow Ducklings' Assembly 15:00

<u>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March</u> ~ Last Choir Singing Competition <u>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March</u> ~ Brown Ducklings' Assembly 15:00

27<sup>th</sup> March is our assessment week in school.

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March ~ Year 3 & 4 Easter Production at 14:00 and 18:00.

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March ~ Open afternoon from 13:30 with school closing at 14:30 for the Easter holidays.





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

Yellow Ducklings	Brown Ducklings
93% with 1 late	100% with 0 late
	Well Done!!!!
Parrots	Herons
96% with 2 lates	97 % with 10 lates
Robins	Owls
99% with 3 lates	96% with 1 late
Doves	Kestrels
99% with 0 late	97% with 3 lates
Hawks	Falcons
93% with 1 late	95% with 6 lates
Eagles	Well done everyone for making
98% with 4 lates	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.