

May 6th 2022

Dear Parents & Carers

Year 11 exams

There is now only one week to the start of written exams on May 16th. Please do keep encouraging and supporting your sons and daughters with revision. They should be doing at least two hours extra work each evening and more at the weekends. There are numerous intervention classes and revision sessions for them to attend in school and they each have a personal timetable for the next few weeks. Lunch for year 11 will move to 12.30 from May 16th to accommodate the start of exams which is 9am for the morning and 1pm in the afternoon. Please ensure your sons and daughters are here in good time so that they are not rushing or flustered before an exam begins and we can have very orderly and calm starts. There will be water and fruit available in the dining room before morning exams.

Contact & medical information

Please ensure that you do inform school promptly of any changes to contact details such as addresses or phone numbers. Also if there is any change in medical information it is really important that school is informed of this.

Year 7 Parents' Evening

The Parents' evening for Year 7 is on Thursday May 12th. All the information has been sent out to parents and carers earlier this week – please do log on to school cloud to make your appointments at <https://carrhill.schoolcloud.co.uk>

Mental health Awareness Week

Next week is mental health awareness week and there will be specific activities in school. Please find attached to this letter a leaflet on loneliness.

A few reminders

- **National Online safety accreditation**

In the news we are frequently made aware of the dangers and challenges of the online world for our young people. As a school we have had National Online Safety Accreditation for several years and are in the process of renewing that. Parental engagement is an important aspect of this and I would encourage you please to complete the parental training. This can be found at <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/carr-hill-high-school>

- **St Michael's Church, Kirkham – new music project**

This evening there is an open evening/taster session in the church with lots of different instruments from about 3.30 until about 7.30pm. It's a drop in so people can come and go. Everyone, absolutely everyone is welcome to go along from ages 5-105! There is no need to book, no charge, no obligations at all really. People can meet the instruments, find out about the musical traditions involved and have a go at making sounds. There are refreshments if parents want to wait while children have a go. There are about 60 instruments in total including from Africa, India and South East Asia. They include gongs, xylophones, cymbals, bells, hand drums etc.

- **SEN**

The next SEN Drop in clinic will be on Wednesday May 18th from 2.30- to 5.30 in school. Please contact the SENCO, Mrs Darkin, for further information at jdarkin@carrhill.lancs.sch.uk

Finally,

Many congratulations to Sophie in year 7 who qualified to swim at the SENW (Swim England North West) Regionals competition, which took place on 23rd & 24th April and also 30th April & 1st May weekends in Liverpool. Sophie won her heats in 100m Breaststroke and 50m Breaststroke to compete in the finals, ranking her 4th in the North West. This is a massive achievement – well done Sophie.

Also congratulations to Holly in Year 10 who played football for England against Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland and Wales in a tournament over Easter. Holly was selected to captain the match v Wales and was also presented with her ESFA international cap. Holly will play again on Sunday 15th May v Scotland at the Ravenscraig Stadium in Glasgow in celebration and recognition of 50 years since the 1st international game was played, after the ban on women's football was lifted.

With best wishes



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