



Carrington Infant School

Carrington Schools Federation

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Dear Families

What a fantastic start to the new school year. It has been wonderful to welcome all of our children back into school and see them settling into their new classes with such enthusiasm, confidence and smiles. The children have made a brilliant start, building new friendships, reconnecting with familiar faces and getting to know their new teachers and classrooms. Next week, we will continue to focus on building these relationships through our connections week, before we begin more formal timetable and learning routines.

Our teachers returned on Tuesday and enjoyed a very productive INSET day, working alongside a NACE consultant to further develop opportunities for challenge and high-quality learning across the school. It was an inspiring day of planning and collaboration as we continue to ensure every child is supported and challenged to achieve their very best.

My highlight of the week was certainly overhearing one child say, "I'm having the best day ever!" What a wonderful way to sum up the joy and excitement of being back at school.

We are looking forward to welcoming you all to our **Meet the Teacher** meetings on **Monday 7th September at 3:30pm**, in your child's classroom. This will be a great opportunity to meet your child's class teacher, hear about the year ahead and find out how we can work together to support your child's learning. We hope to see you there.

School lunches

All current parents should now be able to order school lunches for their children on school gateway, this can be done in advance for the whole half term and then just tweaked as needed. The cut off date for ordering online is the day before.

New parents will have to wait until the day their child starts at school to be able to set up their gateway account (instructions are in the welcome pack). Therefore please send them in with a packed lunch if you have not been able to order before they are full time. Once on gateway select 'lunch money' and make your choices. No children attending infant school need to pay for meals.

Important - Allergies

Please remember that we are a completely nut free school. We do have several children in school with nut allergies so it is important that no snacks or packed lunch items contain nuts - including pesto, hummus, cereal bars, peanut butter, chocolate spread. Thank you

Days for PE have changed!!!

Please see below the updated list of days for P.E. for this half term. These are the days on which the children need to come to school in their PE kit please.

These days will be changing after half term and we will advise of the new days before the holiday.

Autumn 1

Group 1 – Tues am (starting from 14th Sept)

Group 2 – Fri am (starting from 14th Sept)

Sycamore – Mon pm AND Weds am

Oak – Tues pm AND Fri am

Birch – Weds pm AND Thurs am

Chestnut – Tues am AND Fri pm



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Forest school days reminder

Group 1 – Thurs pm (starting from 14th Sept)

Group 2 – Thurs pm (starting from 14th Sept)

Sycamore – Tues pm

Oak – not this half term

Birch – not this half term

Chestnut – Weds pm

Cherry & Willow – Fri pm

Reception baseline assessment information

Please see attached leaflet for all parents of reception aged children regarding the statutory baseline assessment.

Club bookings

If you have not yet booked your child a space at any of our lunchtime or after school clubs please do so, direct with the providers, no later than Weds 9th Sept. We have been advised that currently some clubs are under numbers and without more bookings they will not be going ahead this term.

Contact information and details for clubs are on our website here - <https://www.carrington-inf.bucks.sch.uk/clubs-and-sports>

Books not cakes reminder 😊

We love to celebrate your child's birthday at school. Birthday children get a special mention in school. We appreciate that many parents wish to celebrate the birthday and traditionally parents have brought sweets / cake in for the class.

However, at Carrington Infant School we would like birthdays to be recognised by the birthday child gifting a book to their class rather than sweets. This provides a lasting memory of their birthday as well as giving the class a beautiful story to share.

There is of course no obligation to follow this, however we would ask that no sweets or cake are brought into school on birthdays.

Dates for the diary

Mon 7th Sept 3.30pm - Meet the teacher presentations in school for parents

Tues 8th Sept – RockSteady starts

w/c 14th Sept – all other internal and external clubs start

Weds 16th Sept - Whole school flu spray, opt out email sent

Thurs 17th Sept - Individual & sibling photos, full school uniform

Tues 6th Oct in the morning - Harvest festival / boxes of kindness

Tues 20th, Weds 21st and Fri 23rd Oct 2026 after school - Parent consultations, day depends on class

Mon 26th – Fri 30th Oct – HALF TERM

Weds 4th Nov – Superheroes workshop in school, all years

Mon 7th & Tues 8th Dec at 10am - EYFS nativity

NEW DATE: Weds 9th Dec from 1.30pm - EYFS stay & play and Christmas crafts

Tues 15th Dec 1pm – RockSteady concert to parents

Fri 18th Dec – panto in school for all years

Fri 18th Dec – 1pm school finish for holidays

Kind regards

Mrs A Barron, Co-Head of School