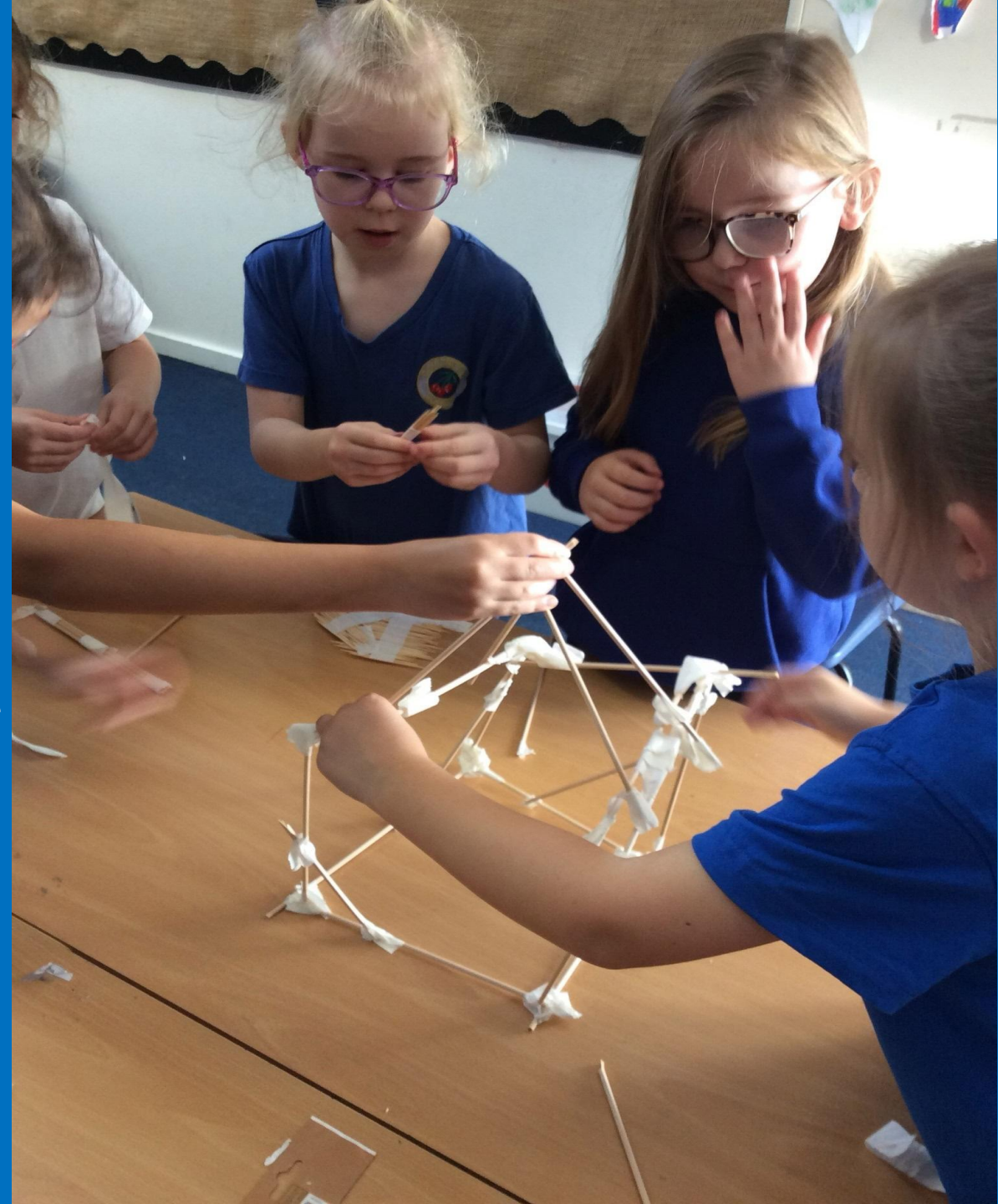


Carrington Infant School

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Federation

Newsletter
Friday 2nd October 2026



Key Dates

All events are on our calendar on the website [here](#)

Parents can subscribe to this calendar

INFANT SCHOOL EVENTS

- Mon 5th Oct – boxes of kindness drop off at reception
- Tues 6th Oct in the morning - Harvest festival / boxes of kindness delivery
- 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
- 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

COMMUNITY EVENTS – <https://www.carrington-inf.bucks.sch.uk/local-clubs-courses-inc-holiday-clubs> for flyers and more information on these events

- Sat 3rd Oct – Bourne End Junior Craft Show, Bourne End library
- Tues 6th Oct 3.15pm – Messy Church at Christ Church
- Weds 14th Oct – Common mental health challenges (primary) free webinar
- Mon 19th – Thurs 29th Oct – Premier Education Half-Term Holiday Camp at The Downley School
- Weds 28th – Fri 30th Oct – Treasure Island holiday club at Christ Church
- Sat 7th Nov from 5.30pm – Flackwell Fireworks Extravaganza
- Tues 17th Nov – Childhood anxiety (primary) free webinar

JOINT FEDERATION EVENTS

Message from Mrs Barron

Such a fabulous week we have enjoyed at school, filled with rich learning experiences and wonderful opportunities for our children to develop their knowledge and skills.

One highlight this week was our Toy Workshop, where year one pupils explored and created toys from the past to complement their history learning. It was fantastic to see their curiosity, creativity and enthusiasm as they discovered how toys have changed over time.

I would also like to congratulate Sarah, Elsie, Molly & Kyla for their excellent JRSO applications. The standard of applications this year was exceptionally high, and I am incredibly proud of all the children who took the time and effort to apply.

Next week, we are looking forward to celebrating our Harvest Festival. A gentle reminder to please bring your decorated harvest boxes and donations of non-perishable food items into school on Monday. Your generosity will help us support members of our local community.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Wishing all our families a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Celebrating Reception

We have been very busy in Reception over the past few weeks! This week's learning has been based on *The Gruffalo*. The children loved listening to the story, discussing the characters and creating their own Gruffalos using various creative materials.

In maths, we have been practising counting using 1 to 1 correspondence, including counting sounds. In phonics, we have been learning to orally blend sounds and recognise our new phonemes: g, o, c and k. The children have also enjoyed starting Forest School, where they have been making mud pies, digging and exploring outdoors. It has been wonderful to see their confidence and creativity grow.

Next week we will be learning all about Autumn. Thank you so much for all the conkers that have been sent in!

Reminders: Please can toys not be brought into school from home as they can be very distracting. Thank you for your support with this. We look forward to seeing you at our Harvest Festival at Christ Church on Tuesday morning.



Celebrating Year 1

This week we have been fully immersed in our current topic, 'Toys'. The children have thoroughly enjoyed sharing special toys from their families with the class and exploring our toy museum, which featured a wide range of toys from the past. These experiences provided many rich opportunities for discussion, encouraging the children to ask questions, compare toys from different eras, and explore how they worked in comparison to modern-day toys. We were also delighted to welcome Classroom Adventures, who led an exciting toy-making workshop. Each child designed and created their own unique wooden toy while learning how toy designers use forces such as pushing, pulling, and gravity to make toys move. Another fascinating aspect of the workshop was discovering the history of toys, from those enjoyed by the Ancient Egyptians, Romans, Tudors, and Victorians through to the toys we play with today. Each day, we have also enjoyed celebrating a 'Special Person' from our class. Together, we share all the things we appreciate and admire about them, creating a positive and supportive classroom environment. This special activity helps to build self-esteem, strengthen friendships, and foster a sense of belonging within our class community.



Celebrating Year 2

We've had a lovely few weeks exploring the important features of a friendship narrative through drama and teamwork. We have looked in depth at Leo and the Octopus and our WAGOLL (What A Good One Looks Like), Leo and the Jellyfish. In maths, we have continued to explore place value and how it can be used on number lines to estimate numbers.

In Art, Science, and History, we have been exploring the Great Fire of London. In art, we created collages and watercolour flames. In science, we experimented to discover which materials would have made the best buckets for carrying water. In history, we compared what London looked like before and after the fire.

Coming up next week:

In English, we will be planning our own friendship narratives. In maths, we will continue using place value to deepen our understanding of numbers. In art, we will be creating layered pictures, and in history, we will be designing posters about the Great Fire of London.



Celebrating The ARP Unit

As part of our 'All About Me' topic, last week the children practised some important life skills including washing their hands and using a toothbrush. Interoception is all about recognising our internal body signals and responding to them to help keep ourselves regulated. This is taught explicitly each week, with the focus last week being exploring our hands and identifying if we liked different textures and temperatures. The children held an ice pack, a hand warmer and applied lotion, and then used their chosen communication method to express how they felt.

This week we have explored our senses. We used our hearing to listen to each other play musical instruments, used our sense of taste and smell to explore different foods, and used touch to identify what was hidden in the mystery bag. As always, the children have enjoyed being outdoors and have had lots of fun digging and building in our new sand pit.



Celebrating Home Learning

Well done Olek for creating such a thoughtful jar of kind words, which we shared during assembly today. Please remember to send in your completed home learning challenges.

Who will be in the spotlight next week for recording their kindness diary, including one kind thing you did each day?





Mrs Buckley



Mrs Barron



Mrs Cliffe



Mrs Henderson

Carrington Infant School Designated Safeguarding Team