



# Carrington Infant School

Dear Families

Please see below the weekly messages from school, awards and key dates for the diary.

## Family Forum

On Monday this week I held the first Family Forum of the year, and though it was great to chat to parents I was disappointed that only 3 parents attended. The 40 minute conversation was however really positive and as well as parents heaping praise on the school and teachers, it was good to discuss communication, fundraising, enrichment opportunities and class reps.

I am acutely aware of the many communication platforms that parents have to juggle, especially if they have children across several schools. I am working with the Communications Governor, Mrs Louise Lord, as well as the head teacher at Carrington Junior School, Mrs Emma Cameron, to streamline communications. In September the Junior School will move to Class Dojo to align with our school and between now and then we will be reviewing when various licence agreements run out, so that we can align other platforms where possible.

## Newsletter changes

The newsletter in January is going to move to a twice monthly publication with a new section for each year group so that you can have a round up of what has been happening in classes.

We will also have a 'Spotlight on ....' section for children who achieve outside of school. This may be a sporting event or competition they have won or even a story they have written that they wish to share. To be on this page, please send your child's achievements to me via Class Dojo.

## Music Therapy

We are exceptionally fortunate to have received funding from Christ Church to enable us to run music therapy sessions between January and July 2026.

The sessions are being led by experienced music therapist Joolz Michalakakis, and will take place in school as well as in Christ Church, dates and times to be confirmed.

Please see attached information about the offer. Should your child be selected for Music Therapy, I will write to you separately.

## Panto Tickets

We still have a few panto tickets available for collection from the school office, if you haven't received yours yet please pop in.

## Food order last day of term

Please note that the food order for the last day of term has been updated on the booking system. If you have already ordered until the end of term please go back in to amend for this day as your previous order will have been removed. Please note that with the sandwich and fruit or cookie there will also be nachos and vegetable sticks for all orders.

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## Mental health team webinars

Last terms parent webinars were hugely successful with over 130 attending over the 4 sessions. They have 5 more parent webinars planned for the next half of the academic term, with topics including

- Exam stress
- Understanding childhood and adolescent development and behaviour
- Low mood and
- Understanding eating disorders

If you think that any of these are relevant for you and your family please go to our website [here](#) for the flyer with more details.

## CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Certificates are sent home with the winning children with the full details of the award.

	Kindness	Oracy	Poetry
Cherry Class	Jacob	Jake	
Willow Class	Hasaam	Arlo	Keyan
Beech Class	Sebastian	Tommy	Krue
Hazel Class	Tishian	Caleb	Yusuf
Sycamore Class	Starr	Luciana	Elliott
Oak Class	Freya	Ella	Elsie
Birch Class	Oli	Milo	Gary
Chestnut Class	An	Ella	Cassie

## Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns these should be reported to our designated safeguarding leads (DSLs). At the Infants these are Mrs Cliffe (Head Teacher), Mrs Buckley (Assistant Head), Mrs Barron (Assistant Head) and Mrs Henderson (Business Manager).

## Upcoming school events

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> December 10am – EYFS nativity, parents invited, sign up required

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> December – last gymnastics club

Tues 9<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas lunch at school – please order on gateway as normal, wear Christmas jumper with uniform

Weds 10<sup>th</sup> December 10am – EYFS nativity, parents invited, sign up required

Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> December – Save the Children Christmas jumper day – wear Christmas jumper with uniform, no donation required

Fri 12<sup>th</sup> December – Winter Wonderland sensory workshop for Willow and Cherry classes

Tues 16<sup>th</sup> December 1pm – RockSteady concert in school for parents of band members

Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas assembly at Christ Church for children only

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> December – Pantomime in school

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of school, **1pm finish**

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**Upcoming local events** – for more details on these and other clubs/courses go to our website

<https://www.carrington-inf.bucks.sch.uk/local-clubs-courses-inc-holiday-clubs/>

Every Monday 9-11am in term time – Play café and support group at Christ Church for babies to 4 yr olds

Tues 9<sup>th</sup> December 3.15-5pm – Messy church at Christ Church

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am – Pram Carols at Christ Church for under 5s

Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> December – Panto trip to Wycombe Swan, ensure you have collected pre-booked tickets from the school office

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> and Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> December 9.30am – 3.00pm – Christmas holiday camp for 4-10 yr olds at Beaconsfield guide hut, go to [www.calmlittleminds.co.uk](http://www.calmlittleminds.co.uk) to book

Best wishes

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