



Carrington  
Infant School

Carrington  
Schools  
Federation

Newsletter

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April  
2026

# Key Dates

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

Parents can subscribe to this calendar

## INFANT SCHOOL EVENTS

- w/c 13 Apr – RockSteady, Football, Kids with Bricks clubs started
- w/c 20 Apr – Gymnastics, Forest School, Basketball, Choir, Create and Dance clubs start
- Weds 22 Apr – Year 1 trip to Tower of London
- Thurs 23 Apr – PTA school disco £4 and mufti £1, sign up required, form sent
- Fri 24 Apr - Year R vision check in school, opt out required on NHS school portal
- Fri 24 Apr – Year 2 swimming begins for Birch and Cherry, please complete consent and make payment
- w/c 27 Apr – Tennis and Mad Science clubs start
- Fri 1 May – Oracy showcase to parents, details to follow
- Mon 4 May – Bank holiday, school closed
- Mon 11 May - Peter Pan's Neverland Adventure workshop in school for all classes
- Weds 13 May – EYFS trip to Paccar scout camp, email to follow
- Weds 20 May pm – EYFS stay & play, parents invited, time slot email will be sent
- Mon 25 – Fri 29 May – half term, no school

## COMMUNITY EVENTS – see our website for flyers and more detail

- Fri 5 Jun – Making sense of neurodiversity workshop at the Odney Club in Cookham, 1130am-1pm
- Fri 1 May – FAB Academy football festival for yrs 1 & 2

## JOINT FEDERATION EVENTS

- Thurs 23 Apr – PTA school disco after school, sign up required, details to follow
- Weds 29 Apr – Carrington Repair Café at Infant School, please complete the sign up form
- Sat 27 June – PTA Carrington Schools summer fair
- Tues 21 July – PTA Legoland tickets available to buy on Classlist

# Message from Mrs Cliffe

It has been a very different week for me having spent four days at the Junior School in my new role as Executive Head over both schools. However I have loved the new role, particularly being able to see familiar faces from previous years, as well as our present Infant cohort.

This week some of you will have received a letter inviting you to the Gold Level Poetry Showcase on 1<sup>st</sup> May. We are extremely excited about this event as it really does showcase the incredible joy that the children have had this year learning poetry. However, the Gold Showcase does not prevent your child joining in if they did not choose this level of challenge! I have already had performances from children choosing the Bronze level challenge, where they chose to perform their poem to an adult. Isaac in Beech Class chose to perform his poem to me today, I heard a wonderful rendition of '5 Little Pumpkins'. Silver Awards are happening in the next few weeks when we invite you in to listen in the class.

Next week year 1 will be visiting the Tower of London to complement their Geography topic of 'London'. Let's hope the sun shines for them! Have a lovely weekend.

# Celebrating Reception

Welcome back to school for summer term! We have loved hearing all about the adventures your children have had over the Easter holidays. This week we have begun our learning about life-cycles and minibeasts. Our main focus of learning has been the life-cycle of a frog and the children found it really interesting to find out what happens to a tadpole as it develops! In drawing club we have been reading 'Handa's Surprise' and using our imagination to think of a new animal to come and steal some of Handa's fruit!

Next week, we will be learning all about the life-cycle of a sunflower and what it needs to grow healthily. All children will have the opportunity to plant and grow their very own sunflower. Have a lovely weekend!



# Celebrating Year 1

This term we have commenced our new topic, London. This week, in preparation for our trip, we have been learning all about The Tower of London by creating and writing our own fact files in literacy. As part of our play projects we have also been building the Tower of London through Lego, junk modelling, playdoh, and construction resources. In art we have been learning about primary colours and used them to paint pictures of the Tower in the style of pop art. Our greenhouses have now been assembled in our outside areas, and are full of seedlings for carrots, tomatoes, strawberries, beans and a range of garden flowers too! Next Wednesday will be our school trip to the Tower of London. Please check the class dojo pages for information about the day and what your child will need to bring with them.





# Celebrating Year 2

We have had a wonderful week back at school, it was so lovely hearing about all the adventures from the Easter holidays.

In **English** we really enjoyed exploring the features of a finding narrative and planning our own Bog Baby story. We began looking at how scales can be used to measure mass in **Maths**. During **Science** we learnt all about how important bees are and worked in teams to build some fantastic bee hotels. We all really loved learning about colour mixing using paints in **Art** and created our own colour wheels

**Coming up next week:** We will be writing our own finding narratives using our plans and fantastic creature ideas from this week in **English**. Exploring capacity and temperature in **Maths**. Also, we will be looking at how to create textures using paint in **Art**.





# Celebrating Willow & Cherry

The children have returned to school happily. The theme for Cherry Class for the next two weeks is 'Pirates'. The children waited patiently for their turn during the pop-up pirate game. They were busy hunting for treasure too!

Willow Class have been exploring minibeasts. We have enjoyed using different tools for mark making to add spots to ladybirds and making butterfly symmetry paintings. During our interoception session, the children in Willow Class used a stethoscope to listen to their heartbeat. We replicated this sound using a drum.



# Spotlight on ...



**BOBBI**



Bobbi received Primary Ballet,  
Yellow Theatre-craft Rosette  
and Preparatory Ballet Awards  
this week - no wonder she  
is very proud!





**Mrs Buckley**



**Mrs Barron**



**Mrs Cliffe**



**Mrs Henderson**

**Carrington Infant  
School Designated  
Safeguarding Team**

# Safeguarding ... IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

On **TUESDAY 23rd JUNE** there will be a **COMMUNITY TALK** for all parents of Carrington Infant School, Carrington Junior School and Juniper Hill School about **HOW TO HELP FAMILIES THRIVE IN A DIGITAL AGE**

The meeting will be run by Papaya Talks and it is a **CRUCIAL** meeting for anyone interested in the impact of social media and mobile phones on their child and family.

Please come along

7.00pm - 8.30pm

at

CHRISTCHURCH on Chapel Road