

Carnagill Community Primary School Newsletter



We never judge a book by its cover

Dear Parents

It has been a pleasure to welcome you in to school this week for parents evening. I hope that you found the meeting and the information provided to you useful. We have had some great feedback from parents.

We are continuing our school improvement work in school to ensure better outcomes for children. We are now using a new assessment tracker for all year groups to ensure that the information that we share with you is accurate and that progress over time is evident. We are also continuing to develop the teaching of writing and Maths mastery.

In the last few weeks, we have had successful visits from three Local Authority Advisers. Eileen McGough (EYFS adviser), Lis Marsden (School Improvement Adviser) and Christine Noyes (SEN Adviser). Progress has been observed in all areas of school and next steps set for us to continue to develop.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Louise Newport
Headteacher

Rapid Improvement Committee

The Governing Body have set up a Rapid Improvement Committee (RIC) which will focus on the key issues raised by OFSTED. The RIC will meet monthly and the first meeting was on 8th October. At this meeting we received details of a number of initiatives that have been put in place by the Head and Deputy Head to address the key priorities in the School Improvement Plan (SIP). These include improving achievement across the whole school; improving teaching, learning and assessment with an initial focus on English and the production of an Action Plan; and initiatives for improvements in Early Years and Foundation Stage (EYFS). The shared action plan for English will be closely followed by the action plan for Maths due to be shared at the next meeting. The RIC will be assessing the effectiveness of these measures at future meetings and will also be receiving details of further initiatives to address the other key priorities in the SIP.

Mairi Featherstone (Co-Opted Governor)

Friends of the School

The Friends of the school are setting up some fundraising events for our school. Our group of volunteers are planning a cake stall at the end of the school day on Friday 26th October. When you collect your child from school that day, there will be some delicious cakes for you to buy. If you would like to donate some cakes, please bring them to school on the morning of 26th and leave them at the Reception desk. There will also be a non-uniform day on Friday 26th October with a donation of £1 requested. Many thanks to those involved in the Friends of the School.

Menu Change

On Monday 5th November (Bonfire Night) the menu will now be; sausage and mash, baked beans and sweetcorn, followed by flapjack.

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Landing Pad Activities

FS1, Mrs Pattinson's Class and Miss McNichol's Class will hold a stay and play session (with a little bit of phonics) for parents to attend on Friday 26th October between 9 and 10am.

Mrs Stephens and Mrs Bradshaw's classes will have their magic Halloween landing pad day on Friday 26th October. Parents are invited to join them at 2.45pm to try some pumpkin soup.

KS2 will be holding an 'Ancient Greece' landing pad afternoon on Tuesday 23rd October at 2.30pm for parents to join their child.

Harvest Festival

Please note that we have managed to change the time for the Harvest Festival with Father Alex. It will now be held in school on Wednesday 24th October at 9.30am. Donations of tins, dried foods and cupboard items can be brought in to school on the morning of the Harvest Festival. The donations will be taken to Storehouse in Richmond. Unfortunately due to space restrictions there will be no space for pushchairs in the school hall.

Open Morning – New to Reception in September 2019

Do you have a child due to start FS2 (Reception) in September 2019? If the answer is yes, please come along to our open morning for new parents on 21st November between 9.30am and 11.30am. Please note this is only for parents for children due to start school in September 2019. You will have the opportunity to meet the staff, have a tour of the school and see the reception classes in action.

Mornings and Afternoons

The gates will open at 8.45am each morning. Children should not be on the school premises unaccompanied before that time. Doors will open at 8.50am.

After a discussion with teaching staff, we are going to trial a staggered end to the day to support the children, you as parents and ensure we can hand children over safely. We will release children to parents in the following order;

3.10pm – Mrs Pattinson and Miss McNichol's classes

3.15pm – Mrs Stephen, Mrs Bradshaw and Mrs Wigham/Miss Hennesey's classes

3.20pm – Mr Atkinson, Mrs O'Reilly and Mrs Bullock/Mrs Shaw's classes

We will monitor how this works and see if this improves the end of the day process.

Cloakrooms

Children should only bring a PE kit and book bag to school. Due to space and health and safety concerns, children should not bring a rucksack to school

Diary Dates

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| Monday 22 nd October | 6pm | Parent Forum (School Hall) |
| Wednesday 24 th October | 9.30am | Harvest Festival (School Hall) |
| Thursday 15 th November | 9am | Individual School Photographs |

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