

MARCH NEWSLETTER

CARNAGILL COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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I hope you all had a good half term break.

I have been made aware that there will be a number of families who will have a parent/s away on long tours abroad within the near future. If you feel you or your family might find this time difficult, Mrs Barritt our Home School Support Adviser is available to talk with. Please ring school for an appointment if you feel she could support you. We have a number of staff who understand how difficult this time can be. If we are aware, we can help and support you as much as possible. With this in mind, a reply slip is included at the end of this newsletter. If you would like to fill it in to make us aware of any changes at home we can let staff working with your child/ren know and we can be sensitive to the needs of your family over the coming weeks.

CONSULTATION EVENINGS

We held two consultation evenings in the week before we broke up. If you were unable to attend either of these evenings and would like to talk to your child/ren's teacher please ring school to make an appointment.

GOVERNOR VACANCY

We have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you are interested in being a governor please speak with Mrs Lennon our Clerk to the Governing Body. Being a school governor is a voluntary role however it is a demanding role and does require a time commitment. Not only are you expected to attend meetings at least half termly, there is an expectation you will also visit school regularly. The role of a parent governor requires someone with, integrity and discretion and above all the ability to deal with information in a sensitive, professional and confidential manner.



UPCOMING EVENTS

4TH APRIL

Science Open afternoon for all classes from 2pm onwards

6TH APRIL

Easter Disco ~ keep a look out for the flyer from the School Council

7TH APRIL

Easter Egg Competition ~ small decorated eggs ~ prize for each class ...hands off parents...there will be a separate competition for parents ~ again a small prize

SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 3.15 ON FRIDAY 7TH APRIL AND REOPENS ON TUESDAY 25TH APRIL

ATTENDANCE

We gave out over 120 100% certificates for last half term. We are going to keep this going for each half term and for the year. Remember if your child is not in school they are missing out. Even if they feel a little unwell please still send them in. We have first aiders in school who will always check temperatures and ring you if your child is unwell.

PARKING ON WARWICK CLOSE

A letter was received in school recently requesting that parents do not park in the private car parking spaces on Warwick Close. These are permit only spaces and are paid for by the residents. If you drive please park away from these spaces.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

ACCESS TO SCHOOL

Access to the office must be through the front door. Parents must not use the hall as a short cut unless accompanied by a member of staff. For the safety of our children we need to know who is in the building at all times. Thanks you for you cooperation in this matter.

DOGS ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

Just a reminder~ dogs are not allowed on the school grounds ~ even well behaved dogs on leads~ sorry.

Also I have had complaints that dogs are being tied to the school railings. These dogs are barking and parents are finding it difficult to pass by them and some children are frightened. Please think carefully where dogs are tethered.

CARS IN THE CAR PARK

Parents must not drive into the staff car park. If you have a blue badge and need to use the accessible parking bay please let the office team know and display your permit in the car.

FOOD IN SCHOOL SHOP BOUGHT ONLY PLEASE

Within school we have a number of children with food allergies. Many parents like to send food items to school to celebrate birthdays. We know children and staff enjoy these occasions and we want them to continue. In order to keep children as safe as possible and to be as inclusive as possible from the 20th March only shop bought food items in their original packaging will be distributed as treats.

As form the 20th March the following will apply:

1. Please let your child/ren's class teacher know that you would like to provide a treat for the class. This will allow the class teacher to plan a suitable time to distribute the items during the day. The class teacher will make you aware of allergies in the class and make a suggestion of items which could be sent in.
2. Please send items in on the agreed date. **All items sent in must be shop bought and wrapped in the original packaging. Any items sent in must be easily distributed.**
3. **Lollipops on sticks must not be sent in to school.**

All food prepared, cooked and eaten in school has been prepared by staff who have a hygiene certificate.

SCHOOL EVENTS

Already this half term we have been having a very busy time.

KEY STAGE 1 WEATHERIGGS

Children from the Key Stage 1 classes have visited Weatheriggs Animal Sanctuary and Farm. Judging by the excited chatter and muddy boots on the classes' return, a fun learning time was had by most. The children were complimented on their behavior during the visits. Unfortunately this can not be said for all of the animals!

CLASSES 4/5 AND 5/6

Classes 4/5 and 5/6 spent the day in York visiting the Yorkshire Museum and Minster.

WORLD BOOK DAY

A big thank you to Mrs Brown (Y1/2) who organized events in school to mark World Book. Thank you also to the staff who made the day fun and to all adults at home who helped with the many fabulous costumes. After the World Book day Assembly, each class found a selection of new books for their classrooms. I mentioned in an earlier newsletter that the proceeds from the Christmas Programs would be spent later in the year ~ the books were the result of this money. We spent over £200 on new books so thank you to everyone who bought a program at Christmas and to Mrs Brown who chose the fantastic selection. I would also like to thank Castle Hill Bookshop for providing all the books in order for the children to redeem their vouchers.

SPORTS

Well done to the Kwik Sticks hockey team. We hosted the cluster event last Thursday evening and Carnagill were the winners of the event. Well done and thank you to the spectators who braved the cold.

SPELLING BEE

We have hosted the cluster Spelling Bee Competition. A number of schools took part in the event on Monday. Our children did very well getting only two spellings wrong. Unfortunately, they did not make it to the next round however they represented school very well ~ Well done and thank you. Thanks also to Mrs Brown for hosting and organizing the event in school.

CONCERNS

If you are in anyway concerned about your child/ren's learning, progress or wellbeing in school please contact school via the office. Class teachers are always the best people to speak to first, as they know you child/ren very well. If it is a more serious matter then the Key stage Leaders; Mrs Barker (EYFS), Mrs Brown (KS1) or Mrs Bullock (KS2) are the next contact and then myself.

Print Child(rens) Name(s)

Family member deployed/on exercise (Mother/Father etc)

Where to..... Start date End date.....

Signed..... Date

