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**Carbeile Junior School** Spring 2023 Newsletter 1 Friday 6th January 2023

### Hi everyone,

Firstly, Happy New Year to you all. It is so lovely to be back at Carbeile, pretty much full time now - even if I did christen the first week with a classic 'Sausage Roll' text - apologies for that!! To put your minds at rest, this is not linked to any sort of a COVID lockdown, it is just a code word that all staff have to know to ensure they know that a trusted person is saying that the school is safe in the instance of a lockdown. The code word has of course now been changed again - and no, it isn't 'Pasty'!!

You might have investigated the new website since the text about it. It is a very impressive site, but at the moment every single link is broken and there some 'stock images' for some of the pictures. This is not ideal, but I have been assured that this will be fixed by the end of the day. I will then go through the site and check everything is as it should be, and that all of the photos are of our amazing children!

It has been an amazing first week back, with Year 4 enjoying Fizzpop Science and Year 6 having their Egyptian topic launch. I have also really enjoyed getting into classes again and seeing the exceptional teaching standards in all classes.

Nothing too ground breaking in the newsletter this week, though please read the section on the PTFA as we are trying something new to try and get some parents engaged and organising some awesome activities for the children.

Have a super weekend, let's hope for some sun!! Take care.

Mr. H

### <u>Uniform</u>

In response to the survey that I sent out before Christmas, most of you are happy with the quality of the new uniform. However, there were enough parents who felt the quality wasn't good enough to indicate that something could be done to improve this. The solution will be changing jumpers and cardigans back to Price and Buckland, who we never had uniform issues with, and who have recently introduced a 'Kingfisher' colour, which is identical to our colour. We will then continue to get the zippies from our current supplier. This hopefully ticks all boxes for the quality we need, but also the variety of styles that parents (and children) like. This will not change anything for you, apart from the jumpers and cardigans being slightly cheaper.

The other thing related to uniform is the discrepancies we are seeing still. As discussed before the summer holiday, can you please make sure that your children wear black trainers for their PE days (and all other days if you want to). No white trainers please. I have also been seeing a lot of hoop earrings (please make sure only simple studs are worn to school) and nail varnish (please ensure this is removed before school). Thank you.

### New Year, New Carbeile

Just a quick one to say that we will be reviewing many of our systems, processes, ideas and general Carbeile-ness. We want to make sure that we are always the best that we can be, and if that means changing things up a bit, then that is what we will do! If you have any suggestions, drop me an email.

### Year 4 Email Addresses

As part of the computing syllabus, all children are taught how to make their own email addresses and then use them to send messages to each other. This obviously has the risk of being abused. The children are made aware of the e-safety aspect of this, and warned that if it was abused then their computing time would be removed. If you have any issues with this, please let me know.

#### **Contagious Illnesses**

Just some information about what to do if your child has any of the following.

UK Health Security Agency

# Should I keep my child off school?

### Yes

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Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

Until...

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



### Advice and guidance

NHS

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.

### **Behaviour**

We have already had extensive discussions about behaviour this term, both in a staff meeting on Tuesday and then in a whole school assembly on Wednesday. I have reminded the children about the high expectations we have at Carbeile, and of the rules around the school also, both in the classroom and outside on the playgrounds. We will be monitoring this closely.

### <u>Clubs</u>

You will have received your clubs letter yesterday (and hopefully returned it today). I will aim to get the replies out to you at the start of next week.

### <u>PTFA</u>

You might remember that we held a PTFA meeting last term and not one parent turned up. This is such a shame as I know that there are so many parents out there who would be amazing in this role. I wonder if it is the actual formality of the 'PTFA label' that might be putting people off so I would like to propose something slightly different.

Rather than come to school for formal meetings, I would like to see if groups of parents who are friends and who socialise outside of school might want to work together to plan an event in school (such as a film night, disco etc). This would then mean that you are only concentrating on one thing, and you are working with people you know.

To move forward with this then, please email me with your group and some ideas you have that you feel you would feel confident with, and enjoy, organising. I can then meet you all and help with dates, costs etc. These can be events that we have never run before but is something you are passionate about.

Unfortunately, if we do not get any takers for this new way of doing things, the opportunities for the children will be greatly reduced as the staff do not have the capacity to organise and run all of the events previously sorted by the PTFA. Events like discos will subsequently have to be cancelled.

Please help, we need you!!

### Person of the Week

Every week in the whole school awards assembly, I will be choosing one child from the school who has really impressed me with something they have done in the week. It could be their learning, their attitude, their sportsmanship etc etc. They will be awarded

a Lego trophy to keep for the week in their classroom, ready to handover to the next winner the week after. This will start next week and I will announce them in this newsletter.

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### Dates for your diary:

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Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	Science iPupils trip to TCC								
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day								
13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> February	HALF TERM								
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Children back to school								
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Clive Pigg storyteller in school all day								
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Paul Stevens, Year 6 Drama Workshop								
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Celebration Assembly (1.45pm)								
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 3 Celebration Assembly (1.45pm)								
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 Celebration Assembly (2.15pm)								
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 Celebration Assembly (1.45pm)								
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Last day of spring term								
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holiday								
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	INSET Day, children not in school								
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of summer term, children back to school								
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY								
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY								
9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs week								