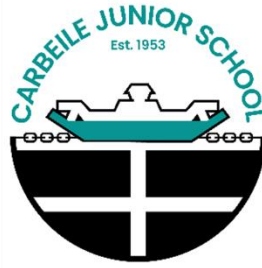


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Carbeile Junior School
Spring 2023
Newsletter 4
Friday 27th January 2023

Hi everyone,

I can't quite believe that Friday has rocked up again; the weeks go by in a blur sometimes! I think it is down to the fact that we cram so much into a Carbeile day that there isn't time to be counting the minutes! It has been a great week, with lots of fab learning in classrooms: ukulele lessons, swimming for Year 5, lots of computing across different year groups, clubs and lots more.

Not too much to digest in the newsletter this week. We had an unexpected visit from Environmental Health (fun!), there is a bit more about the strike next week and an exciting Easter Extravaganza to put in your diary. **Also, please note the date change of the Year 5 Celebration Assembly in the diary from 30th March to 23rd March. Thank you.**

I hope you all have a great weekend. It is a rubbish time of the year so try and get some quality family time (outside if you can) to help January disappear quicker.

Take care

Mr. H

Strike Action

Yet again, I have been blown away by your support for this, even though I know it will have significantly disrupted many of you. I did unfortunately have one email

questioning how carefully we had made this decision. I want to reassure you that we will never close unless it is absolutely necessary, and if it would be unsafe if we didn't.

During COVID we were open every day in some capacity throughout the entire pandemic, so you know that we have only closed because we simply do not have the staff to open on the strike day. I will let you know about the future strike dates as soon as I know anything (March 2nd, 15th and 16th).

Pantomime - Goldilocks and the Three Bears

We have had lots of bookings for this already. Remember to reserve your tickets with payment before 31st March.

Safety Procedures in School

We thought it would be good to inform you of all of the procedures we have in place to keep your children safe at school.

- Safeguarding - the Senior Leadership Team have all received the highest safeguarding training so we are adept at dealing with all possible scenarios that might arise.
- Safer Recruitment - Mrs. Sales, Mrs. Morton and I have received this training to ensure that we are sticking to all of the guidelines when we appoint new staff.
- Risk assessments - these are completed for all activities that we feel come with a risk. This includes playground activities, trips, first aid and every area you could possibly think of.
- IT systems - our filtering system ensures that your children cannot access inappropriate material. And they are trained in what to do if anything escapes this filter.
- Fire drills - we do one of these at least once a term to check that our systems are working well.
- Lockdown systems - we do one of these once a term too.

You can see that we take the safety of your children extremely seriously. They are safe from the moment they step foot into school.

Easter Fun

We have an amazing group of parents who have come up with a great idea to raise a few pennies for the PTFA and they have organised an Easter Extravaganza on **Thursday 30th March** (the second to last day of the spring term). The children will be doing some great activities during the morning, and then you will be able to come into school from **1.15pm** to do some stalls and games with your children. We will need some raffle prizes and cakes if you are able to volunteer these please. Thank you. More details will come nearer the time, but just to give you the heads up if you need to escape work.

Contacting the office

There have been a number of occasions recently where messages haven't always got from classroom to office regarding your child. If you think it is something that the office need to know, please tell the office staff in the first instance and then they will inform the class teacher, rather than the other way round. Thank you.

Environmental Health

On Tuesday this week, we had an unannounced visit from the Environmental Health team. I am so proud of our kitchen team and to inform you that we received a 5 star rating. They were extremely impressed with what they saw in the kitchen, and only gave us some minor areas to improve. A massive well done to Glenda, Jayne, Katrina and Kaye for all they do in the kitchen everyday, and to receive such glowing praise.

Football

Unfortunately, and for a number of reasons, we will no longer be allowing football on the playground. This is partly due to the behaviour that we are seeing on a daily basis (and we are dealing with the individuals involved). But the main reason is the number of injuries we are seeing; some of them extremely serious. Due to the fact that the children are finding it very hard to change their playing style, they are doing what they would normally do on grass...but on tarmac!! The results have not been pretty.

We will of course be making sure the children have plenty of alternatives so they have fun lunchtimes. There are also huge plans to develop the outdoors - watch this space!!



Most Awesome Person of the Week Trophy

Drum roll... the winner of the prestigious trophy, and simply The Most Awesome Person of the Week is... Aiden Ridpath. I was thrilled to hear him being called 'The King of

Kindness'. Not only is this one of our six values, but it is just the best quality to possess. I am thrilled for Aiden - a very well deserved winner.

Eco Tip of the Week

Try switching to battery saving mode or low power mode on your devices. This could be your digital box for your TV, your mobile or your tablet/iPad. Just google how to do it if you're not sure!

Dates for your diary:

Date	Event
Tuesday 7th February	Safer Internet Day
13th – 17th February	HALF TERM
Monday 20th February	Children back to school
Monday 20th February	Clive Pigg storyteller in school all day
Wednesday 1st March	Paul Stevens, Year 6 Drama Workshop
Wednesday 15th March	Year 4 Celebration Assembly (1.45pm)
Wednesday 22nd March	Year 3 Celebration Assembly (1.45pm)
Thursday 23rd March	Year 5 Celebration Assembly (1.45pm)
Monday 27th March	Year 6 Celebration Assembly (2.15pm)
Thursday 30th March	Easter Extravaganza (parents in from 1.15pm)
Friday 31st March	Last day of spring term
3rd – 14th April	Easter Holiday
Monday 17th April	INSET Day, children not in school
Tuesday 18th April	First day of summer term, children back to school
Monday 1st May	BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 8th May	BANK HOLIDAY
9th – 12th May	Year 6 SATs week