



Carbeile Junior School
Spring 2023
Newsletter 4
Friday 10th February 2023

Hi everyone,

I hope you have managed to enjoy some of the cold, sunny days this week. It has been so refreshing to say good morning to the children on the drive with a bit of sun beaming down.

I think the best way to indicate what a busy (but so productive) week we have all had will be to list everything that we have had going on at Carbeile in these fun-packed 5 days. We have had...

- Safer Internet day - assembly from Mr. Davey, our computing lead, and an afternoon activity with some hard hitting, important messages about staying safe online.
- A visiting headteacher - was recommended that they should come to see what an amazing school looks like (yay). Her comments about the school were outstanding..."I'm so jealous, you must be so proud, what awesome books..." etc. I really am very proud!!
- Showstoppers in Year 5 - children showcasing their topic learning over a beautifully presented double page. Make sure you check these out next time you're in.
- DT cars - Year 4 using their DT and science skills to power a car.
- Year 3 writing - outstanding...simple as that!
- Year 6 books - such an example to set for our visitor this week, she was blown away by the standards.
- Children's Mental Health Week - important messages all week.

And you wonder why your children come home tired!! They really have been a credit to you and to the school this week.

I hope you have a fabulous half term break. We will see you on Monday 20th February.

Take care

Mr. H

Change to Lunchtimes

As a school with a comparatively long lunch time, we are currently trialling a new thing at the end of the lunchtime to try and combat some issues that have been arising in the final 10 minutes. The children will therefore be coming into class between 5 and 10 minutes earlier to have some quiet time in class so they are ready to learn for the afternoon. This is very much in the early stages and we have yet to see if this will make a difference, but we will let you know how this is going.

Reading Offer

World Book Day 2023

Due to the uncertainty of possible strike action on this day, we will be celebrating World Book Day on Friday 3rd March 2023. The children can come into school dressed up as their favourite story character if they would like to. If children do not like dressing up, we will also be running a competition for the best dressed vegetable too. Children may of course do both.

Parent-Child Reading Hour

We would like to invite all parents and carers into school on Tuesday 21st March (10:00 - 10:45). There will be a short presentation, in the hall, demonstrating how we teach Reading in Carbeile. Then, there will be the opportunity to go to your child's classroom, listen to your child read and enjoy some books together.

Menu Changes

There have been some minor changes to the menu starting after half term. The link for the menu is below. We will be starting on Week 2 when we return after half term.

<https://carbeile.cornwall.sch.uk/parent-zone/school-meals/>



Love Nature
this Valentines Day at Thancoes Park
Tuesday 14th February
10am - 12pm
Loveheart trail around park
Nature craft in Benodet walled garden
Torpoint Library stall and book hut
Drinks and snacks available from the tea hut

Awenek Studio... Friends of Thancoes Park Torpoint Town Council



**2023 PROPOSED
SCREENING DATES**

Sunday 12th February
Sunday 2nd April
Saturday 3rd June
Sunday 6th August
Saturday 28th October
Friday 22nd December

2023

PROPOSED FILMS

Mrs Harris Goes to Paris
The Emoji Movie
Minions: The Rise of Gru
Ticket to Paradise
Matilda the Musical
Elf

The Torpoint Community Cinema is a nonprofit organisation. Our films are free to view but we would be grateful if you could make a donation to help towards the costs of screening and license fees

If you would like to join our mailing list please email torpointcommunitycinema@gmail.com. We can then provide you with up-to-date information on our screenings and you can make a suggestion of films to show.

Read Easy Cornwall

Read Easy offers free, confidential, one-to-one coaching to adults who struggle with their reading.

I have received this. Please make use of it if this applies to you.

"We need your help to reach the parents and grandparents across the county who cannot read a bedtime story to the children in their lives. Read a bedtime story - and so much more. One new reader talks about the joy of being able to use a 'pay at pump' machine for the first time; another being able to make her own choices from a menu. Truly humbling.

We would be grateful if you could pass on information about Read Easy Cornwall to your teams, so that they can encourage parents to contact us if they would like help to improve their reading.

This information leaflet may be useful for colleagues and I can provide 'Learn to Read' posters/flyers, if appropriate, for your school. Please also see: <https://readeasy.org.uk/>
The email for further information and/or referrals
is.cornwallnetworker@readeasy.org.uk and telephone is 07342 744388. Thank you."

British Values

Along with The Rule of Law, Tolerance, Individual Liberty and Mutual Respect, Democracy is a key element of the British Values that we teach in school. How amazing then to see our school council going along to meet the Mayor of Torpoint. Check out the visit below.

<https://carbeile.cornwall.sch.uk/school-council-trip-to-meet-town-mayor-councillor-rachel-evans-bem/>



Change to email system

The current email system we are using is called MailChimp, and it has always been a free service. Unfortunately, as everything seems to be doing at the moment, the terms are changing so that this will no longer be free for us. We will therefore be changing to use the email system that is attached to our text system.

These will be easier to send but your emails will be picked up from SIMS (where we get your phone numbers from). It is therefore very important that you inform the office if you think that we do not have your email address (we can send to up to 4 contacts from each family). The first email on the new system will be after half term, Friday 24th February. I will text out that I have sent it, but please try and get those email addresses to us in good time so no one misses out on important information.

I will also be using the email system if I have a slightly longer message than the (rather annoying) 160 characters that I am limited to with the texts. So keep checking your email for messages from the school. Thank you.

Head Pupils

We are always trying to increase the responsibility that we can offer to our children. To that end, we will be introducing two 'head pupils' from Year 6. This will be announced to the children during assembly today and then the children will have half term to decide if they would like to put themselves forward. They must be confident to present a detailed letter to the year group about why they should be head pupil.

The year 6 cohort will then do a 'blind vote' to choose the best four candidates. These

four will then present to the extended leadership team, who will choose the best children for the role, based on their presentation.

Help!

If anyone has a small TV/computer screen going spare that has an HDMI connection, please let me know.

Thank you



Most Awesome Person of the Week Trophy

I have great pleasure in announcing that the award this week goes to Gareth Pickard in Godrevy, Year 6. Not only does Gareth go above and beyond in all elements of his home learning but he applies himself superbly in the class also. Gareth constantly demonstrates exceptional behaviour, and he also gets stuck in when it comes to a dress up day. I am so proud to have year 6 boys such as Gareth being a role model for others across the school. Well done Gareth.

Eco Tip of the Week

An eco tip for your purses this week. Check out some of these tips that we discovered online. You never know, they might help make a shopping trip that little bit more enjoyable, and affordable.

Dates for your diary:

| Date | Event |
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| 13 th – 17 th February | HALF TERM |
| Monday 20 th February | Children back to school |
| Monday 20 th February | Clive Pigg storyteller in school all day |
| Wednesday 1 st March | Paul Stevens, Year 6 Drama Workshop |
| Wednesday 8 th March | Year 4 Celebration Assembly (1.45pm) |
| Friday 10 th March | Landrake Run |
| Wednesday 22 nd March | Year 3 Celebration Assembly (1.45pm) |
| Thursday 23 rd March | Year 5 Celebration Assembly (1.45pm) |
| Monday 27 th March | Year 6 Celebration Assembly (2.15pm) |
| Thursday 30 th March | Easter Extravaganza (parents in from 1.15pm) |
| Friday 31 st March | Last day of spring term |
| 3 rd – 14 th April | Easter Holiday |
| Monday 17 th April | INSET Day, children not in school |
| Tuesday 18 th April | First day of summer term, children back to school |
| Wednesday 19 th April | Year 3 FizzPop Science |
| Thursday 20 th April | Year 4 Paignton Zoo |
| Monday 1 st May | BANK HOLIDAY |
| Monday 8 th May | BANK HOLIDAY |
| 3 rd – 5 th May | Year 5 Residential to the Ultimate Adventure Centre |
| 9 th – 12 th May | Year 6 SATs week |
| Friday 14 th July | Year 3 Sleepover with the sharks |