



SPRING NEWSLETTER 11 – 22.03.2024

Hi everyone,

Assessment week this week. We know that some children find this week particularly difficult, but we try and make sure that the tests are spaced out during the week and that children are in a quiet room with a TA if we know they find it hard. Your children have put in so much effort, definitely sticking to our school ethos of 'DO YOUR BEST!'.

Lots in the newsletter this week about money. As you know we don't have much of it, but we still need to buy so much. I am currently looking at different funding streams to buy new kitchen equipment (ovens, hot plates steamers), new play equipment (to replace the old rotten wood) and new computing tech (Chromebooks etc). All of these cannot be used for teachers or TAs but will hopefully improve the Carbeile experience in one way or another. If you know of any money that is going spare (!!!) please let me know.

Have a great weekend everyone.

Mr. H

### **Neurodiversity and Sensory Needs**

Please see below a link to a free 24 event around neurodiversity.

I hope you find this interesting.

<https://www.neurodiversityweek.com/>

and also this website about sensory needs

<https://helpnow.sensoryintegrationeducation.com/>

### **Parent Contact Preferences**

I wanted to ask if there was any way you could help with some research that a past pupil, Jess (sister of one of our Year 5 pupils) is currently doing for her promotional media module at university. She is collecting primary data about the communication preferences of parents with primary school aged children. Her aim is to better understand the most efficient ways to target media at parents and guardians. She has created a very brief questionnaire and would really appreciate your help (by Monday please).

I'm sure we will benefit from the results, and it might even help us communicate better with you! Thank you for your help in this.

<https://forms.gle/NeZMSMHjW8nQaUuP7>

### **D-I-S-C-O**

What an effort from our PTFA for the disco last week. Not only was it a world record in terms of children being collected and the hall being cleaned, but we raised a staggering £800 (£600 from ticket sales and £200 from food). A huge thank you to our amazing PTFA who were there selling food and making popcorn and doing everything they could to raise an extra bit! That money will go towards our new play equipment, which we are in the process of getting quotes for.

### **Red Nose Day**

We also raised £273.95 last Friday for Comic Relief. Thank you for your contributions.

## **Tesco Stronger Starts**

Yay...we have been selected as part of the Tesco fund raising. See details below.

### **Tesco In-Store Vote Update!**

We are delighted to let you know that our application to Tesco Stronger Starts has been successful and our project will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores. Voting will commence in store from the first week in April 2024 until the end of June 2024.

Carbeile Junior School PTFA Pond Regeneration and Relocation Torpoint School pond relocation and regeneration to enhance the outdoor environment, improve outdoor learning whilst supporting children with social, emotional and behavioural needs.

The project with the highest number of votes across our region will receive £1,500 (or the amount that was requested up to this value), the second placed project £1,000 (or the amount that was requested up to this value), and the third placed project £500.

Please see below a list of stores taking part in the voting on our project.

Plymouth Wolseley Road, Plymouth Exp, Plymouth Transit or Plymouth Roborough

To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token.

- Cast your vote as soon as you receive your token for a project in the current voting round
- Only submit Stronger Starts tokens to cast your vote

## **ParentPay**

There are currently over 60 accounts currently in debt on ParentPay! This totals nearly £1,000, the biggest it has been. I have tried contacting parents directly by phone, we have sent numerous letters and texts but this is not improving. We will now therefore be looking into two things. The first is contacting Cornwall legal team to find out how to retrieve the debt from parents as we would end up having to pay this and we simply can't afford to do this. The second is now looking into when we can start asking parents to order meals at home, which cannot be done unless debt is cleared. This is a shame as it means all parents will be affected.

We are doing things such as Easter Fayres to raise much needed funds for the school and then this is being completely undone with such extensive issues on ParentPay.

As with everything at Carbeile, if you know you have a debt on ParentPay and are struggling to pay it then it is important that you contact us to see what we can do to help.

## **Torpoint Athletic Football Club**

You will see QR codes around the school during the Easter Fayre. You could be in with the chance of winning £1,000 if you enter. Check out the link below for more info...

<https://fundraising.spond.com/iNKpSuiXqo>

## **Dates for your diary**

<b>SPRING</b>	
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Year 6 Celebration Assembly: Pendeen 1:30pm; Lizard 2pm and Godrevy 2:30pm
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Pyjama Day, Bring a Teddy for a donation to St. Luke's
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Spring Term Reports to parents
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March</b>	LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM
<b>1<sup>st</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	EASTER HOLIDAYS
<b>SUMMER</b>	
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	INSET Day, children not in school
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	BANK HOLIDAY
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 4 Celebration Assemblies
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 3 Celebration Assemblies

<b>13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 6 SATs Week
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Sports Day
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	Year 5 Celebration Assemblies
<b>27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May</b>	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	INSET Day, children not in school
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Fizzpop Science for Year 3
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 4 trip to Paignton Zoo
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 3 Aquarium Sleepover
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Summer Term Reports to Parents
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 Sleepover
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 End of Year Play, 6.00pm
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 6 End of Year Play, 6.00pm
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Parents' Evening
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	Year 6 Colour Run
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July</b>	LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July</b>	SUMMER HOLIDAYS START