The Acorn

Carlton Colville Primary School

'Be the best you can be'

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Dear Parents and Carers

The Spring term is in full swing now and the children are engaged in all sorts of fantastic learning opportunities across the school. The Reception children really enjoyed the visits from the Emergency Services and other year groups also enjoyed seeing the Fire Engine in the car park when they were out at play. Next week is 'Children's Mental Health Week' and we will be having a special day on Friday (7th Feb) to focus on this. The theme is 'Know yourself, grow yourself' and there will be activities going on across the whole school. A reminder that this will also be a non-uniform day and the children are encouraged to wear/bring in a favourite scarf.

Tuesday 11th February will be 'Safer Internet Day' with a focus on this ongoing really important and relevant area.

In the last week of this half-term the Film Clubs will return, with Reception, Yr 1, Yr 2 and Yr 3 on Wednesday 12th and Yr 4, Yr 5 and Yr 6 on Thursday 13th.

Finally, as you now know, the Governing Body have appointed Mr Oz Sparks as our new Headteacher to start after Easter. We are all very pleased and excited about this and are sure that the strength, creativity, knowledge and experience that Mr Sparks is going to bring to our school is going to have a really positive impact as we move forwards into the next phase of our school's journey.

Mr Rose
Interim Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

JANUARY

20th – Police Officer visit to Reception
21st – Reception People who help us dress up day
27th – Firefighters Visit to Reception

FEBRUARY

3rd – Y5 Astronomy Parent Workshop
7th – Mental Health Day – bring your favourite scarf
11th – Safer Internet Day
11th – Y6 parents SATS information meetings
12th – Tractor visit – Reception
12th – Film Club – R, Y1, 2 & 3
13th – Film Club – Y4, 5 & 6
17th – 21st – Half Term
25th – Y4 trip to Norwich Castle
27th – Y3 Roman Soldier Day

MARCH

6th - World Book Day
10th-14th March – Science Week
12th – 19th – Book Fair
17th – Rock Steady Concert for parents

Class Weekly Attendance Award-w/e 31st January 2025

1st Place: - Dolphins 99.6%
2nd Place: - Ladybirds 99.1%
3rd Place: -Flamingos 98.9%

Whole School Attendance
w/e 31st January 2025 – 95.1%

A Message from the junior Road Safety Officers

Cycle Safety

We are really pleased that so many children choose to cycle to school each day as it is a mode of transport that has multiple benefits for the environment, health and wellbeing.

Here are some important messages we would like to share with you:

Streetlights are not enough for motorists to spot cyclists when it is dark. Many incidents involving cyclists in the dark are due to them wearing dark clothing and no lights or reflectors. We would advise reflective clothing is worn and lights are attached to bikes, especially at the moment when it is gloomy and grey when travelling to and from school.

Students should always wear a helmet when cycling.

Make sure your child's bike fits them and that it is roadworthy.

Make sure you are aware of who else is around you, and how far away they are.

If there are other road users, you must signal to show them what you plan to do.

More information about cycle safety can be found here: https://www.think.gov.uk/cycle-safety/

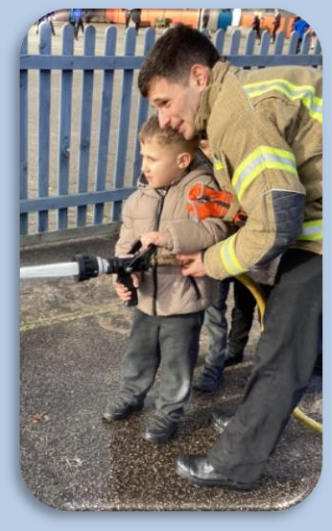
Please remember to advise us if you change your address or telephone number by emailing update@carltoncolvilleprimary.co.uk
If you are unsure if you have advised us, please ring the School Office.
Thank you.

Reception

The Reception children had a fantastic day dressing up as people who help us. We spoke about our outfits and jobs and played some fun games in the hall. We also enjoyed listening to a lovely story 'A Superhero Like You' and discussed how the people we had dressed up as are like superheroes who help people and make the world a better place.

We really enjoyed meeting a local police officer as we are learning about people who help us and listened carefully to all the ways police officers help us. We loved hearing about the uniform and equipment police officers use. Thank you for coming to see us!

The children in Reception had a special visit from our local firefighters. The children listened carefully when the firefighters told them all about the equipment on the fire engine. The children loved sitting inside the fire engine and also enjoyed spraying water with the hose. Thank you for coming to see us, we had such a fantastic time!



In Reception we are learning the phase 3 digraphs and trigraphs. When we learnt the digraph 'ur', with the phrase 'curl the fur', the children suggested the dog in the picture looked just like our school dog Willow! We invited Willow down to Reception to help us to lock in the learning of the digraph 'ur'. We loved seeing Willow with her lovely curls.

Year 2

The Dolphins enjoyed the challenge of weaving paper and decorating sea creatures during our Sea Themed Day last Friday.

Year 5

A small selection of Tigers class hare designs for our school hare. These are fantastic and any one of the year 5 designs could easily win as they are so creative and colourful.

Year 1

In science Year 1 have been looking at our senses and the parts of our body that we use. We used our noses to guess the different scents in the cups. We also looked at our sense of taste and sorted foods into sweet, salty, sour and bitter.

Year 3

In music in the Foxes class we focused on notation. We have been learning a song about Vikings called 'Dragon Ships'. We are getting really good at the words, actions and having a hostile Viking expression!
We focused on the rhythm and beat within the song. We spent time clapping out quavers, crochets and minims.

Rewards and Achievements

Each week 2 children from each class are chosen to be 'Learning Superstars' as they have demonstrated exceptional learning behaviour.

The Superstars w/e 24th January 2025 are:

Reception	Bears	
	Felicity B	Leon K
Year 1	Flamingos	Ladybirds
	Millie C Daisy W-K	Ella E-G Ruby K-C
Year 2	Dolphins	Hedgehogs
	Isabella Y Darcie M	Marley F Lottie W
Year 3	Foxes	Otters
	Niamh A Harvey W	Noah H Ivy S
Year 4	Bees	Meerkats
	Reuben T Reggie M	Chloe T Dylan R-D
Year 5	Owls	Tigers
	Alicia W Autumn-Lily O	Mya C Ava H
Year 6	Narwhals	Giraffes
	Amelia C Nancy F	Freddie B Teddy B

The Superstars w/e 31st January 2025 are:

Reception	Bears	
	Jenson F	Thea H
Year 1	Flamingos	Ladybirds
	Madison D Megan N	Leo M Reggie K
Year 2	Dolphins	Hedgehogs
	Conor G Callum B	Diyon R-M Olivia B
Year 3	Foxes	Otters
	Ezra G Jasper K-C	Phoenix E Amelia E
Year 4	Bees	Meerkats
	Eva A Noah R	George C Sophie W
Year 5	Owls	Tigers
	Riley J Lacey B	Ted R Jude N
Year 6	Narwhals	Giraffes
	Oscar R Elsa P	Harrison J Bobby B