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'Be the best you can be'

Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for the warm welcome I have received since joining Carlton Colville. From the kindness shown to me by the children, to the support and encouragement from parents, governors and staff, it has been wonderful to see the spirit and togetherness that make this school so special.

Walking around the school this week, it has been reassuring to see how quickly children have settled back into school. One of the things that has struck me over the last two weeks is the calm and purposeful atmosphere around our school. Whether it is a maths lesson, creative writing, our Wildlife Warden sessions during lunchtime, celebrating the International Day of Dance or one of the hundred other things that happen every day here, the children are focussed, engaged and - most importantly - happy. It may be a short half-term, but that certainly doesn't make it any quieter (!) with almost daily trips, tournaments and visitors to further enrich what is our core business: learning.

As we look ahead, I am filled with optimism. This week we published our latest Ofsted report and I look forward to building on the school's strong foundations and working with all of you to create an enriching and fulfilling experience for every child. Here's to a bright and successful Summer Term.

Mr Sparks
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

MAY

2nd – Y3 Roman v Celts Dress up Day
7th – Headteacher Meet & Greet - 9am & 4.30pm
12th -15th – Y6 SAT's
19th – 23rd May – Walk to School Week
19th – Y3/4/5 Games Afternoon
20th – Reception trip to Africa Alive
23rd – Non-Uniform Day – *details to follow*

JUNE

3rd – Y3/4 Rounders Tournament
4th – 6th - Year 6 Eaton Vale Residential
5th – World Environment Day
16th – Y6 Rounders Tournament
17th – Sports Day – Y1/2 – am & Y5/6- pm
19th – Sports Day = EYFS – am & Y3/4 – pm
24th – Summer Fayre – 3.10pm
26th – 3rd July – Y5 Bikeability

JULY

4th – Y1 Trip to Carlton Marshes
17th – Whole school Transition Day

Class Weekly Attendance Award-w/e 2nd May 2025

1st Place: - Otters 99.6%
2nd Place: - Bees 98%
3rd Place - Giraffes 96.9%

Whole School Attendance w/e 2nd May 2025 - 95.1%

Year 3 Hands on Heritage

Year Three enjoyed their trip to Tunstall Forest to enjoy Stone Age and Iron Age activities. The children completed activities such as butter knife making, fire starting and weaving. They were a complete credit to the school, being so polite and engaged!

Foxes

Otters

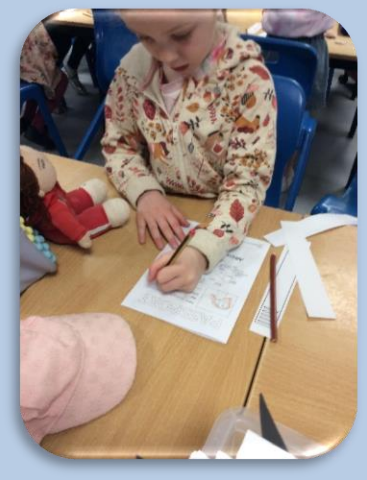
Year 2 – Explorers Day

Year 2 dressed up for an explorer day last Friday. Lots of fun activities were had including exploring the meadow and wildlife area. The children also learnt about Charles Darwin's voyage in the HMS Beagle.

Year 1

Year 1 celebrated the start of our new topic by having an 'Escape to Africa' dress up day. They started the day by creating our own passports and visiting passport control. They then found out about a range of countries found in the African continent. They visited Egypt, The Congo Basin Rainforest, Kenya and Mali. Along the way we made their own African inspired shakers and necklaces inspired by the Maasai tribe.

Ladybirds



Flamingos

Year 5

Y5 had a very successful morning making terrariums! They all took their time, as well as great care, when designing them and were very proud of their achievement. It was a great start to our new topic, Our World.

The Owls and the Tigers had great fun with an impromptu rounders match. The Owls triumphed! However, the Tigers were hot on their heels and are looking forward to having another game to see if they can even the score.

Year 6

Y6 had their first session in the wildlife area. As you can see the children had lots of fun den building, pond dipping and just enjoying the outdoors

Reception

This half term, the Reception children are enjoying having PE sessions with Emily, a local tennis coach. She is kindly sharing her expertise with us to help us to develop some basic tennis skills. The children are really excited about every session and have been showing excellent focus and teamwork.

Year 4

Year 4 have been creating collages showing scenes of the Hindu Rama and Sita story. They have been using the art skills we learnt from our recent sessions with an artist. They will showcase the final pieces of artwork soon...

Many thanks to everyone who supporting our fundraising by purchasing the tea towels, coasters etc.

We received £561 towards school funds

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.

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 25th April 2025 are:

Reception	Bears	
	Sebastian M	Dottie-Blue M
Year 1	Flamingos	Ladybirds
	Ashan S-I Alex G-A	Ruby K-C Ruby P
Year 2	Dolphins	Hedgehogs
	Tyrese N Ruby S	Darcie P Willow S
Year 3	Foxes	Otters
	Nell B Erin F	Joey L Jacob H
Year 4	Bees	Meerkats
	Harry C Noman A	Xavier M Elliott J
Year 5	Owls	Tigers
	Francesca F-F Eddie L	Blake B Kasper P-F
Year 6	Narwhals	Giraffes
	Adam P Matei-Andrei T	Lily C-C Lily F

The Superstars w/e 2nd May 2025 are

Reception	Bears	
	Georgia W	Jenson F
Year 1	Flamingos	Ladybirds
	Finn H Isabella E	Charlotte T Jasper T
Year 2	Dolphins	Hedgehogs
	Isabella Y Huxley B	Wynter- Rose D-B Eli T
Year 3	Foxes	Otters
	Isla T Ava C	Sienna M Elijah D-S
Year 4	Bees	Meerkats
	Lottie W Nate M	Lexie F Charlotte G
Year 5	Owls	Tigers
	Lewis W Arthur H	Jack O Presley E
Year 6	Narwhals	Giraffes
	Ollie B-G Brody M	Evie P Emily H