Dear Parents and Carers

With the half-term break already looming, it's incredible how much has been achieved across the school in just a few weeks.

Firstly, well done to all our Year 6 pupils for their efforts during the recent SATs tests. These assessments cover all the learning in maths and English over the past seven years—not just the last eight months—and I was truly impressed by their steady determination and the way they supported each other. We know it's not easy, but it's always inspiring to see the whole Carlton Colville team working together to help every child thrive.

Whether walking down the corridor, listening to their teachers, or playing outside, I continue to be impressed by our children. We have exceptionally high expectations for everyone in our school community, and it's wonderful to see such positivity as I walk around. This term, one of our school values is empathy—an essential life skill. Understanding how others feel is something we're focusing on more in lessons and assemblies. Since joining Carlton Colville, I've been struck by the incredible school community we have and how considerate everyone is in the way we treat each other—as friends, colleagues, children, and adults. We all share the same goal: to make our school and its community the very best it can be.

Dates for your Diary

MAY

19th – School Academy Parent Consultation – 4.30pm
19th – 23rd May – Walk to School Week
19th – Y3/4/5 Games Afternoon
20th – Reception trip to Africa Alive
23rd – Non-Uniform Day

JUNE

3rd – Y3/4 Rounders Tournament
4th – 6th - Year 6 Eaton Vale Residential
5th – World Environment Day
10th – Y4 Bees trip to River Waveney, Bungay
13th – Whole School Sponsored Walk
16th – Y6 Rounders Tournament
16th – MHST Parent Workshop – Supporting your child's sleep – 1.10pm
17th – Sports Day – Y1/2 – am & Y5/6- pm
17th – Y4 Meerkats trip to River Waveney, Bungay
19th – Sports Day = EYFS – am & Y3/4 – pm
24th – Summer Fun Hour – 3.10pm
25th – Y6 Production
26th – Y6 Production
26th – 8th July – Y5 Bikeability

JULY

4th – Y1 Trip to Carlton Marshes
11th – Y6 Leavers Assembly
11th – Y2 Trip to Carlton Marshes
17th – Whole school Transition Day

Of course, SATs are just one small part of school life, and the rest of the children have enjoyed some fantastic learning opportunities. Just a few of these include Year 5 tackling fractions with great enthusiasm, and I'm looking forward to reading Year 4's work once they finish creating their own mythical creatures! Meanwhile, Year 1 impressed with their studies on Shabbat, and Year 3 continue their exploration of light and dark.

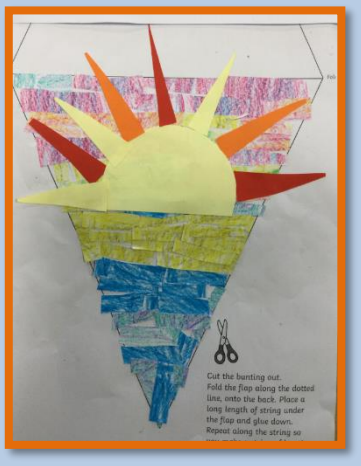
Finally, I am pleased to share that we have appointed a new Pastoral Leader, who will be joining us in the coming weeks. She brings a wealth of experience and will be a valuable addition to our team—more news to follow soon.

Have a wonderful weekend, and I look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Oz Sparks

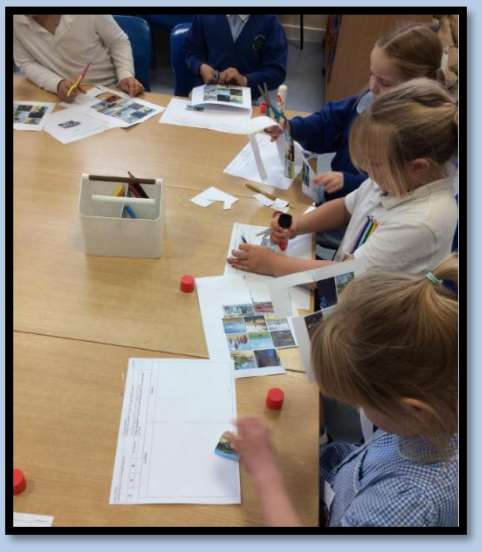
Year 1 Ladybirds

During our Art afternoon this week, we all made our own piece of bunting inspired by 'Mrs Noah's Pocket. We took the idea of using wax crayons and then scratching patterns over the top of the crayon to create an effect. Once we had filled our triangles we then added a sun to add an effect. What a good job they have all done!



Year 1 Flamingos

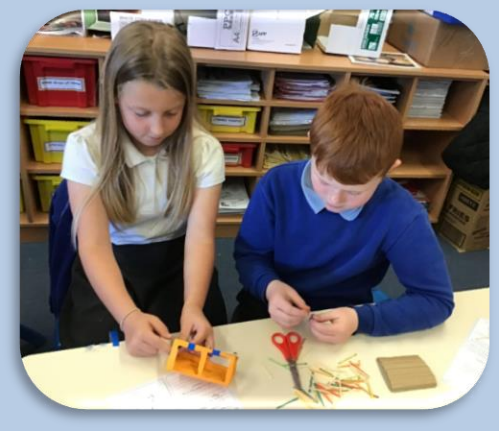
In geography we have been looking at the country Kenya. We found out about the life of Evangeline who lives in rural Kenya. We compared our lives to Evangeline's and found similarities and differences. We then sorted human and physical features of Kenya and the UK.

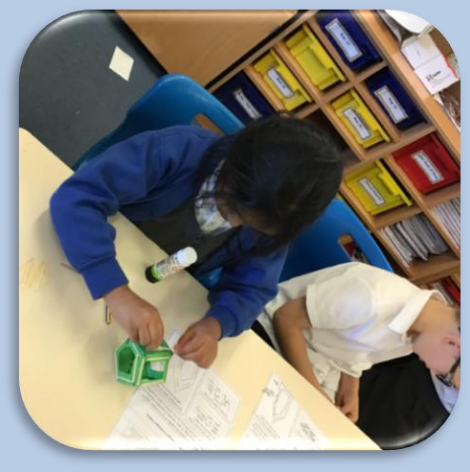


Year 3

What a brilliant Romans vs Celts day! From Celtic art and jewellery making, to battle re-enactment and finally a feast to finish! The children have been so engaged and enthusiastic!

This week year 3 started a new DT project. They began by recapping what DT is and how it is different to art. Then they moved on to exploring how and why greenhouses are used to grow plants. They looked at lots of different greenhouses, including the ones in our school allotment, and started to compile a list of success criteria for when we design and make our own mini greenhouses. Next, they thought about how they might make their greenhouses stable by exploring different techniques to strengthen and reinforce the structures they make. This was fiddly work, and they showed great teamwork, focus and determination



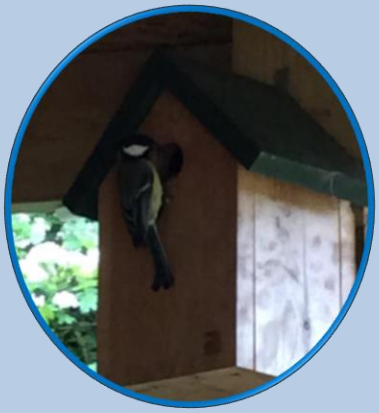


Year 2

We have a new family in Carlton Colville Primary School, but this one is a little different to our usual cohort. We have a family of Great Tits nesting in a bird box in our wildlife area. Y2 were able to observe the parent birds swooping to and from the bird box delivering tasty food to the babies inside. This was on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon this week, so the chicks must be very newly hatched. It was such a pleasure to see and the children were so delighted to be able to experience this first hand. We even realised that if you listened very carefully near the box, you could hear the babies cheeping inside!

Great Tits are the largest breed in the Tit family we have in the UK. They have a bright green/yellow body, with a dark central streak vertically down their breast. Their heads are a glossy black colour and they have white cheeks. They can be mistaken for Blue Tits, but are larger and don't have the obvious blue colouring on their head and wings.

We are so excited to have these new additions to our school community and hope we have more and more garden and woodland bird families making our wonderful wildlife area their home.



Year 5

Year 5 showed fantastic perseverance and resilience whilst creating their cam toys in DT this afternoon.

Year 5 played a game in PE recently which they have named quadrants. The aim of the game was to keep the ball out of your teams area. Everyone worked brilliantly and showed great teamwork.

Year 6

Well done to the whole of year 6 at the end of SATs - you've done yourselves proud.

Class Weekly Attendance Award-w/e 16th May 2025

1st Place: - Narwhals & Hedgehogs 98.6%
2nd Place: - Foxes & Otters 97.9%
3rd Place - Flamingos 97.8%

Whole School Attendance
w/e 16th May 2025 – 95.9%

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 9th May 2025 are:

Reception	Bears	
	Thea H	Felicity B
Year 1	Flamingos	Ladybirds
	Millie C Finn M	Rosie F JAcksob-Jai P
Year 2	Dolphins	Hedgehogs
	Darcie M Gabriella L	Charlie-Rae M Summer L
Year 3	Foxes	Otters
	Izabella M Joshua C	Willow B Grayson T
Year 4	Bees	Meerkats
	Nathaniel M Connie D	Presley T Erin P
Year 5	Owls	Tigers
	Esther N Lacey B	Freddie B Dylan H
Year 6	Narwhals	Giraffes
	Amelia C Edith F	Ronnie C Poppy C

The Superstars w/e 16th May 2025 are

Reception	Bears	
	Edison D	Freya S
Year 1	Flamingos	Ladybirds
	Otis S Patrick H	Amelia H Jasper T
Year 2	Dolphins	Hedgehogs
	Conor G Ruby S	Vinnie S Logan W
Year 3	Foxes	Otters
	Zachary H Elaina G	Milo B Maisie M-C
Year 4	Bees	Meerkats
	Oakley S Hugo B	Presley T Kyan C
Year 5	Owls	Tigers
	Amelia T Lily E-G	Esme C Masie C
Year 6	Narwhals	Giraffes
	Whole Class	Whole Class