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CARLTON COLVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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OCTOBER 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

Walking around the school this morning was a wonderful chance to reflect on everything we have achieved in just one half term. Despite being nearly 8 weeks long, the children were still buzzing with enthusiasm, and from story writing in Years 5 and 6 to imaginary play in Nursery, it was a joy to see learning happening everywhere. Each week we have numerous visitors to the school and everyone comments on how calm and welcoming our environment is.

The next half term promises all the usual joys leading up to Christmas, alongside our core job of course: creating exciting learning opportunities. Following on from your responses about wraparound care, we will also be holding a meeting to share information about improvements to our breakfast and after-school clubs, which will start in the new year and hopefully provide our children with even more opportunities to flourish.

Thank you to everyone who completed our parents' evening survey. If you have not yet had the chance to share your thoughts, please use the link below.

Pickleball and Four-Square have quickly become firm favourites here and, to give the children more space when the field is wet, we have also laid two hockey pitches in the parent car park. With the Friday outdoor disco at lunchtime today and everyone dressed in bright colours, it felt wonderfully festive!

On that note, I hope you all enjoy the half-term break. I look forward to seeing everyone, well rested and ready for another half term of learning and excitement, on Monday 3 November.

Parents Evening Feedback
link: https://forms.gle/Sg8hdjS3XWRkDLEW9

Oz Sparks

Dates for your Diary

OCTOBER

27th- 31st - Half Term

NOVEMBER

12th - Nursery Reading Café - 2pm
14th - Children in Need Day
18th - Y6 Warboys & Crucial Crew Trip
24th - Dental Screening - whole school

DECEMBER

1st - 5th - Christmas Santa Dash
4th - Rock Steady Concert - Parents
9th - Reception Nativity 9.30am
9th - Y2 Nativity 2.30pm
10th - Christmas Church Service
11th - Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch
12th - Y1 Nativity 9.30am
18th - KS2 Carol Concert - Y3 & 4 parents
18th - KS2 Carol Convert - Y5 & 6 parents
19th- Last day of term

JANUARY

5th - PD Day
6th - Pupils return

Class Weekly Attendance Award-w/e 24th October 2025

Joint 1st Place: - Otters/Wolves 99.3%
2nd Place: - Giraffes 97.2%
2nd Place - Turtles 96.2%

Whole School Attendance
w/e 24th October 2025 - 96.1%

Reception

The Reception children had a wonderful time exploring the Wildlife Area. They enjoyed talking about signs of Autumn and loved discussing what they could see and hear.

Y1 Flamingos

Flamingos have found out about a new type of word called verbs. They know that verbs are action words. They discussed how they would use imperative verbs at the start of a command and enjoyed making their own chef hats decorated with verbs that a chef would use.

Flamingos finished their first RE unit about baptism and had a go at decorating a biscuit for a baptism celebration. They had to include something that they would see at a baptism for example: a cross, a font or a baby.

Y2 Koalas

This week the Koalas have made a start on their next D&T project. They have been designing a car for their Superhero. We are really looking forward to making these after half term.!

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.

Y3 Turtles & Otters - Outdoor Learning

Things have been a bit spooky in the wildlife area for the Turtles! There were leaf ghosts and stick skeletons galore. They also found some spooky 'crystal brain jelly fungus' and some tiny 'peeling oysterling'. There are more yellow coloured leaves now and less pink/red colours. We are also excited about being a hedgehog friendly school again this year and the whole of year 3 watched a special online assembly about hedgehogs.

Otters had another busy day with more tree identification in our school grounds. The children were really engaged and are starting to recognise trees without the use of the leaf dials, they also found lots of different fungi. The children spent some time using the leaves in collage, completing a page in their woodland log books or colouring wildlife pictures, inspired by what they could see in our wildlife area. They threw the 'helicopter' seeds of the field maple which brought much joy!

Y4 Wolves & Tigers

In art, we have been creating portraits of some of our favourite Roald Dahl characters using oil pastels. We looked at different techniques which we could apply to our art work and our final pieces are making a fantastic display in our year 4 cloakroom.

Y4 had a fantastic workshop linked to Roald Dahl and the characters from his books. They were playing different games to think about their actions and facial expressions. Then they created freeze frames of iconic scenes from George's Marvellous Medicine, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and Matilda. Everyone showed fantastic teamwork and really engaged in every activity.

Y5 – Owls & Meerkats

PC Hamp came in to talk about being safe online and on social media. He is hoping to visit again in the future!

Y6 Giraffes & Bees

Y6 had an exciting afternoon getting to explore a WW2 jeep!

A big thank you to Andrew for bringing this amazing vehicle in for us to look at. We learnt some interesting facts and were fascinated to hear that originally the vehicle had no key, you just got in and pressed start! The lack of doors and seatbelts were also a great talking point.

This half term all children from Reception to Year 6 attended a virtual assembly led by NSPCC for their Speak Out, Stay Safe campaign. We were also lucky enough to have an NSPCC colleague Steve come into school to deliver workshops for children in Year2, Year 5 and Year 6. The children listened carefully when hearing about how to keep themselves and others safe and enjoyed meeting Buddy the mascot.

Sporting Achievements

Autumn received a rosette for Most consistent standout performer, trophies for runner up Judges challenge trophy, highest scoring trio trophy and 3 x first place medals and 2 x 2nd place medals in a recent dance competition

Noah has completed his 'Polar Bear Ski Course' at Norfolk Snowsports Club and will now progress to the next level.

Lincoln completed the 5K inflatable run in Norwich on Saturday to raise money for the NHS.

Phoebe has earnt her first certificate in her new intermediate gymnastics club

Elis has been awarded the British Gymnastics Trampoline Proficiency award both in level 5 and 6 this week.

Amelia was awarded her Level 3 swimming certificate

Frankie was awarded 1st in best turned out, 4th in the novice, 2nd in the coloureds, 5th in veterans, first reserve and reserve supreme champion on his pony Whizz at the Broads Equestrian Show

Reuban won player of the week at his football club

Amelia took part in her first rugby session

Eva & Rogue were awarded their Level 4 swimming certificates

Lily achieved 1st in compulsory, 1st in free dance, 1st combined scores and 2nd in duos in her recent skating competition!

Outdoor Learning

Last week we were visited by Persimmon Homes, who kindly presented the school with a cheque for developing our Outdoor Learning environments and for purchasing new equipment. Over the next couple of months we will add some new sheds to hold new den building and pond dipping equipment. Our Wildlife Wardens will also be able to access new resources to help them run fun nature based activities at lunchtimes on our meadows. We are so grateful for this funding for a much loved part of our school curriculum. All the children who accepted the award talked so excitedly about their outdoor learning experiences in school!

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Reception Open Afternoon

Meet our friendly team,

enjoy some autumn crafts,

and discover how Carlton Colville

helps every child shine

Saturday 8th November 2025

2:00 til 4:00 pm

Call 01502 572682 to Book

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 17th October 2025 are:

Reception	Bears	
	Luca S	Ruby B
Year 1	Flamingos	Ladybirds
	Eli M Ariella B	Tristan S Adelarose G
Year 2	Dolphins	Koalas
	Arlo W Megan N	Ruby P Finn H
Year 3	Turtles	Otters
	Lottie W Havana S	Ruby S Rogue G
Year 4	Tigers	Wolves
	Eleanor B Zachary H	Sophia R Nixon P-F
Year 5	Owls	Meerkats
	Erin P Emma H	George C Maisie R
Year 6	Bees	Giraffes
	Rosie W Olivia D	Jude N Ted R

The Superstars w/e 24th October 2025 are:

Reception	Bears	
	Mia M-B	Nieve S
Year 1	Flamingos	Ladybirds
	Freddie C Freddie H	Tommy M Tommy D
Year 2	Dolphins	Koalas
	Otis S Jackson W	Emilia B Olivia B
Year 3	Turtles	Otters
	Darcie P Elise F	Jacob W Noah D
Year 4	Tigers	Wolves
	Joshua C Amelia C	Tommy-Lee W Niamh A
Year 5	Owls	Meerkats
	Theodore F Elsbeth T	Shane M Olivia R
Year 6	Bees	Giraffes
	Autumn – Lily O Alicia W	Freddie B Cody K-B