



NEWSLETTER CARTERHATCH INFANTS SCHOOL

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Carterhatch



Infant School

19th July 2023

Diary:

Thursday 20th July 2023 - **Last day of Term for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.**
 Friday 1st September 2023 - Staff Training Day.
 Monday 4th September 2023 - **Children Return to School.**
 Monday 18th September 2023- **Year 2** Welcome and Daily Supported Reading Parents Meetings (all week).
 Monday 25th September 2023 - McMillan Afternoon Coffee Week .
 Monday 25th September 2023 - **Year 1** Welcome and Daily Supported Reading Parents Meetings (all week).
 Monday 23rd October 2023 -Half Term Break.
 Monday 30th October 2023- **Children Return to School.**
 Friday November 17th 2023- Children in Need, Odd Sock Day (donations Welcome).
 Monday November 20th 2023- Maths for Parents (all week)
 Thursday 23rd November 2023 - Winter Wonderland Event 3pm
 Wednesday 29th November - Year 2 Maths for Parents.
 Thursday 30th November 2023 - **Year 2** Theatre Trip.
 Friday 1st December 2023 - Decoration Day: **Non –school uniform** (donations welcome)
 Monday 11th December 2023 - Christmas Performance week (dates to be confirmed)
 Friday 15th December 2023 - **Year 1** Theatre Trip.
 Wednesday 20th December 2023 - Last Day of Term

REMINDER!

The school day starts at 8:45am
 Registers will be taken at 8:50am, if your child arrives after 8:50am they will be marked as late. All children must be in time for registration. The school day ends at 3:15pm.

The Last Day of Term:

Thursday 20th July 2023 is the last day of term for Reception Year and Years 1 and 2. This day will be a non-school uniform day and donations of £1.00 will be welcomed. The money raised from donations will be shared between school and The London Air Ambulance Service.

To support our families with children attending the Junior School, School will be closing at 1:15pm. If you need your child to stay until 3:15pm, please contact the office to let them know.

School Uniform: Refer to **uniform** on the **Parent** section of our website.

All children in Reception Year, Year 1 and Year 2 are expected to wear school uniform. Wearing school uniform supports your child to feel part of the Carterhatch community.

Our school uniform consists of:

- Green Cardigan or Sweatshirt which can be bought from the school office from £9.50,
- Black or grey trousers, skirt or dress,
- White polo shirt,
- Black shoes or trainers.
- Book Bag, which can be bought from the school office - £7.00

P.E Kit can be bought from the school office:

- Black shorts or tracksuit bottoms,
- White T-shirt,
- Black sweatshirt or hoody.



All children should have a warm waterproof coat.

Earrings: Due to the health and safety for all children, only small studs will be permitted, no hoops or dangling earrings are allowed.

Water Bottles: Please provide your child with a plastic bottle, metal and glass bottles are not suitable for school.

We have kept our uniform as simple as possible; please speak to the school office if purchasing any uniform will be difficult for you. We may be able to support you with this.

If you wish to buy school uniform from the office during the school holiday, please email : support@carterhatch-inf.enfield.sch.uk and someone will get back to you.

A Message from the Co-Heads:

Dear Parents and Carers,

We can't believe that we are at the end of another school year!

This year has been full of many exciting events and opportunities for the children. More recently reception have had a visit to the seaside, year one to Paradise Wildlife Park and year 2 a trip to London and Legoland. We would be unable to take children on trips like this without the support of staff and parents. It was also great to see so many of you join us for our sports day and family picnic. We look forward to future opportunities to invite you into school.

As we come to the end of the year, we have many people to thank

Proud Parents

Firstly, a huge thank you to parents and carers for supporting the school and your children in so many ways, it really makes a difference, not only to the staff but most importantly the well-being and education of your child. A good relationship between school and families is so important. We can't take all the credit for the progress your children have made; we know parents and families also have a positive impact in their lives. The qualities they have as a person is also a reflection on your parenting, and we are sure you will continue to strive to ensure your child not only achieves the best they can but also continues to be kind and considerate to others, a quality that is essential to the well-being of themselves and others, especially in challenging times.



We understand that times are difficult for many of us. The cost of living and significant prices rises has also impacted on schools. We really appreciate parents financial contributions towards school trips and enrichment clubs and activities. Without your support we would not be able to give the children all these memorable and wonderful experiences.

Your kindness and community spirit at Carterhatch has continued to shine through. More than ever, we appreciate all your generous donations and support for our fundraising events. Your generosity, no matter what it is, continues to help fund and expand our forest school, which we believe has a positive impact on children's physical and mental well-being. We are also planning to use future contributions towards buying the children new reading books.

Throughout the next school year, we will give parents the opportunity to join a forest school session with your child, so you can see the benefits first hand. Also the chance to be part of your child's daily supported reading sessions.

Superb Staff

We would like to thank all the staff at Carterhatch for their tireless commitment to providing the best learning opportunities for our children. Our dedicated teams ensure that life at Carterhatch is fun and filled with exciting learning. They work hard on ensuring our indoor and outdoor environments are stimulating, and that the children have access to memorable experiences in and out of school.

When thanking staff this also includes the office staff, business manager, site staff, cleaners and catering staff. They all work hard behind the scenes and without them the school would not be able to function as it does. Their support doesn't go unnoticed and is greatly appreciated.

We would also like to thank Sandra, our Family Support Worker. Sandra took over from Jeanette in January. In this short space of time, she has supported many families in so many different ways. We know families value her role, as we do.

Volunteers and Governors

Our school is successful due to the immense good will from the whole community. We are truly thankful to them for giving up their time to support us in many different ways.



Last but not least!! Our Fantastic Children

Children have worked hard not only with their learning but social skills and building positive relationships with other children and staff. We are really proud of them; they are all special and amazing in their own way. They have a really good understanding of the meaning of our school values - '*kindness, resilience, perseverance and challenging themselves*'. These are qualities that are important throughout life for the well-being of ourselves and others. Our learning friend characters have helped promote this more with the children and we will continue to work hard to support and encourage children in these areas.

Goodbyes

This year we are saying goodbye to three of our teachers. Russell, Hayleigh and Lily.

Russell has been with us since September 2019. Previous to this he was with us as a student teacher, for one term, as part of his teaching degree. We were delighted when he joined us a newly qualified teacher in 2019. Russell will be moving to another school, out of the Enfield borough.

We will really miss his kindness, sense of humour, and of course his musical talents and dance moves! Hayleigh has been part of our team since 2017. She also joined us as a student teacher and worked here while studying for her teaching degree. Hayleigh is moving to a school, out of the Enfield borough, to take on the challenge of a new role. We will miss Hayleigh's smile, infectious laugh and songs she sings to the children when they are having a tricky time.

Lily joined us in 2011 as a newly qualified teacher. Over the past 12 years she has supported many children and families across the school. Lily is changing roles but will still continue to work with children, as this is clearly her passion. We will miss Lily's smile, nurturing approach, and her ability to make those around her feel valued.

We would like to thank them for their passion, dedication and commitment, and the impact they have had on hundreds of children over the years. We wish them well and look forward to hearing from them in the future.

Year 2 Children It is always sad to see our year 2 children transition to the juniors. This particular year group have faced many challenges over the years. Their early years experiences were impacted by COVID, lockdowns and home learning. Despite all the challenges they faced, they have shown great resilience and perseverance. They have worked so hard and have made good progress. We are incredibly proud of the children and look forward to hearing wonderful things about them as they progress through the juniors.

Have a lovely break with your children and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 4th September. Enjoy making memories during the summer.

Adrienne and Sarah (Co-Heads).

*The best thing about,
Memories
... is making them*

Learning Friends:



Congratulations to the following children who have recently received a certificate for demonstrating our school values!

Rhino Class: Safwaan, Nicole, Eren, Marie-Anne Anais, Nicole.

Gorilla Class: Lily, Aras, Aylin, Alvin.

Giraffe Class: Melike, Shaylen, Hazal, Beyazit, Kyla, Ela.

Tiger Class: Archie, Khyara, Zyaan, Amine, Diamond, Roj, Migell, Oskar, Raymond,

Leopard Class: Aisa, Kaitlyn, Emmanuil, Marta, Tauri, Zara, Kumsal, Mya, Maria, Ruya, Abdul

Jaguar Class: Emanuel, Anisa, Lucas, Serina, Larisa, Lyric, Mus'ab, Jermain, Eflin, Victoria, Muhammed, Adam

From The Year Two Team:

This week Year 2 have been learning to play Djembe drums in their music lessons. These drums originate from West Africa, and the children have been learning about the history of the drum and how they were used. They will finish this unit by composing their own drum pieces.



From The Year One Team:

All the children had a fantastic time at Paradise Wildlife Park. They were excited to see so many animals that they had been learning about in our text:



'One day on our Blue Planet – African Savannah'

We have also linked these animals to science and art, so it was wonderful for year one to finally experience these animals up close and observe new ones such as the Jaguar Jungle and watch the Sun Bears in action!



"Today was the best time ever!" - Taylan

"I love the Lionesses. They are beautiful!" – Aylin

"I want to be a zookeeper when I grow up." - Sophia



From The Reception Team:

In Reception we have been looking at the book 'Ruby's Worry'. It has been a great opportunity to think about and discuss who they can go to when they have any worries, and who is there to support them in school, at home and also in the wider community such as police and doctors. It is especially relevant to talk about this at this time of year, as we know that changing classes and teachers can bring up many different emotions - hopefully mostly excitement but we do know that some children can find these changes quite worrying too.

Please talk to your children over the holidays about what they are looking forward to about year 1 and what exciting learning they will be involved in. We will send home a transition booklet showing your child's new teacher and learning assistant to help in these discussions.

We cannot quite believe we are at the end of the school year. It has been wonderful to see your children grow and learn this year and we are filled with such pride when we see how much they have accomplished and the progress they have made in all areas of their development. We are sure they will continue to do great things as they move further up the school. We hope you have a happy and safe summer holidays and enjoy making special memories with your children!

From The Nursery Team:

We would like to say a big well done to all of the children in Turtle Class for completing their Nursery Year. It has been a pleasure to watch them grow and develop throughout the year. We will miss them all very much but wish them every success as they start their new chapter in their Reception classes in September. Have a wonderful summer with your families and make lots of special memories! Take care.

From The Inclusion Team:

Once again, Kangaroo and Joey parents have proven to be worth their weight in gold! You joined us on our trip to Southbury Leisure Centre soft play and made the children's day extra special! Thank you all for attending and joining in with all of the climbing and sliding - you are amazing! The children had the best day with their friends and family and seeing them smile so much was wonderful!



Summer Support For Parents:

We know that for many parents and carers the summer break can be difficult. From juggling childcare to coping with the cost-of-living -crisis and searching for affordable ways to have fun, the pressures can really build up.

Family Action are there to support families through the summer and all year long. They have a free helpline that offers emotional support and practical guidance via telephone, text, email and live chat for all family members over the age of 18. Find out more <https://www.family-action.org.uk/familyline> Call: 0808 802 6666, Text: 07537 404282, Email: familyline@family-action.org.uk

Live web chat: <https://www.family-action.org.uk/familyline>.

Grocery Boxes:

Over the summer the school will have available some basic boxes, these boxes will contain a range of basic provisions to support families for a couple of days. If you would like to register for these, please let the office know or email support@carterhatch-inf.enfield.sch.uk, this email will be monitored throughout the summer holiday.

Arbor App:

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to the Arbor App. If you haven't yet done so, please follow the link you will have been sent by them. We use Arbor messages to keep you updated with news from school. You can also check if your child's profile has the correct information. If you are having trouble signing up or logging in, please speak to the office. Thank you.

To make it easier for parents to sign into the App, Arbor have updated the way you can login

Updates include:

- No more entering login details every time - the App will now save you email address and password, eliminating the need to re-enter them each time you login.
- You can use your existing login method - whether that's face or fingerprint recognition, or your device's pin code
- For those of you who have children at different schools, it's now easier and faster to switch between each school.

Free Summer Cycling Fun for Children



No booking required

Join us this Summer at

**Pymmes Park Tennis Courts,
Victoria Rd, London N18 2UG**

Learn to ride, improve your cycling skills and join in cycling games

Thursday 27th July
Thursday 3rd August
Wednesday 9th August
Thursday 17th August
Thursday 24th August
Thursday 31st August

10am – 11am
11am – 12pm
1pm – 2pm
2pm – 3pm



Free of charge

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Booking is not required but parents will need to register upon arrival

Arrive early to avoid disappointment – spaces limited to 8 children per hour

A variety of bikes/trikes will be provided to suit ages 6-16 years

Refreshments will be provided

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