



# NEWSLETTER

## CARTERHATCH INFANTS SCHOOL

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April 2025

### Diary:

Tuesday 22nd April - **Children Return to School**  
Wednesday 23rd April- **Nursery children** return to school  
Tuesday 29th April - Reception - Hearing Tests  
Wednesday 30th April - **Reception** - Trip to Willow Farm  
Thursday 15th May - Whole Class Photos  
Monday 26th - Friday 30th May - **School Closed** - Half Term  
Monday 2nd June - **School Closed** - Staff Development Day  
Tuesday 3rd June - **Children Return to School**  
Tuesday 10th June - **Year 2** - Beach Trip  
Thursday 19th June - Sports Day and Family Picnic - Further information to follow  
Thursday 26th June - **Year 1** - Trip to Hertfordshire Zoo  
Wednesday 2nd July - **Year 2** - Art Exhibition  
Friday 11th July - **Year 2** - End of Year Performances  
Friday 18th July - **Last Day of Term** - School will be closing at 1:20pm

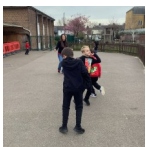
### REMINDER!

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.  
Children being picked up late from school may be charged for After-School Club.

### Comic Relief - Red Nose Day!

For Comic Relief this year, we had a sing-dance-playathon! Children from across the school had the opportunity to dance throughout the morning with music playing in the playground. In the afternoon, we had a great series of PE events for children to participate in and in the morning, Year 1 participated in a singing festival with visiting children from one of our neighbouring primary schools. The children had an amazing time and threw themselves into every event. Visiting teachers and sports coaches commented on how well behaved and enthusiastic all of our children were.

Thankyou to parents and children for your generous donations, we made a grand total of £144.00 which will be shared between school and comic relief.



### Breakfast Club:

This half term our site staff have been busy getting our dining hall ready for our extended breakfast club.

The Government promised last year to make 30 minutes of breakfast club available free to all children. We have been chosen to be one of the early adopter schools for this programme.

This means that a free breakfast club will be available for all children who would like it from 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025. The club will run from 8.15am everyday.

Many parents currently use the club from 8am each day, a few families have asked if we could open earlier.

To support all our families Breakfast club will start at 7.45am each day from the 22<sup>nd</sup> April, there will be a charge of £1 for this. The free club will start at 8.15am.

To ensure that we have sufficient staff and food available attendance will still need to be booked in advance.

**For further information and to sign up for breakfast club, please speak to the school office.**

### Our Instagram Account:

We have recently opened a school Instagram account, where we will be sharing short items of news and updates. Please click the link [carterhatchinfant](https://www.instagram.com/carterhatchinfant) and give us a follow!

## Spring Challenge:

Our children and parents did amazing well with our Spring Challenge, answering all of the online safety questions correctly!! Below is a refresher of the answers.



Some beautiful butterflies were created with which we are busy displaying at the front of the school for you all to view.

Thank you again to all of our families who were able to come along and contribute to this fundraising event. In total we raised around £75.00. We really appreciate your continued support and your generosity, this money will go towards supporting all of the children in our school.

Online safety is so important, we talk to the children about this whenever they go online in school, not only in Computing lessons. It is important that parents and carers support this at home, today's simple online safety rules are a really good start for you and your child to follow.

Be careful who you meet online

Grown-ups should check security settings on your devices

Remember to tell an adult if something worries you

You should limit the amount of time you are on a screen

Only go online with an adult

Protect your personal information

There is so much amazing content online for children and young people, but as we all know, some of that content isn't suitable for younger eyes and ears. Research shows that some of the most serious and concerning content is being viewed at home, often in the child's bedroom. It is vital that parents and carers know there is plenty of help and support available to them, including from organisations such as Internet Matters who have a fantastic advice guide to make online viewing safer for children.

Please click on the link [HERE](#) for advice on filters and parental controls, advice about watching and browsing together, screen time and more.

## Dance Festival:

We would like to say a huge "WELL DONE" to our pupils who performed at The Enfield Schools Dance Festival this year. The festival was held over four days, with 1200 dancers and 52 Enfield schools all performing to the theme of Broadway musicals. The children performed with great enthusiasm and skill, evidencing all of the hard work they've put in to learn their dance "Arabian Nights" from the film Aladdin! We are very proud of them!! Thank you to Lucas too, for putting in so much work to give the children such a valuable and fun experience.



## A Message from Nursery:

The children have been busy spotting signs of spring, talking about and celebrating the wonderful women in their lives. They have been creating flower pictures through observation and the use of collage. It was fantastic to welcome all the Wonderful Women to our celebration event the children really enjoyed decorating biscuits and sharing them in the Nursery.



We have spent the last half term reading lots of books with bears in them; including 'We're going on a Bear Hunt', 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and 'Whatever Next!' They were especially inspired to role play using a box as a rocket and a colander as a space helmet!

## A Message from Reception:

What a lovely half term we have had with the children. We really enjoyed having lots of you join us for our 'Supertato' Story Cafe in March. The children really do love to have their parent/ carer coming in to school to join them for these types of experiences and it's so wonderful to see you all so involved with the activities!

Comic relief was also a fun packed day with the children being able to come in non school uniform and they loved being able to have a dance in the playground with their class adults!

We have so many things to look forward to after our Spring break. We have the farm trip coming up, we are starting weekly Songsack sessions where the children learn lots of new songs and singing techniques, weekly forest school sessions and lots more wonderful learning opportunities in our reception environments to support them in their development.

We hope you are having a great Spring Break and please do continue to practise your child's reading with them regularly through the holidays.

## A Message From Year One:

Year 1 have enjoyed lots of enrichment activities this half term!

They had a fantastic time performing in the singing festival with Honilands School. They worked hard to learn five brand new songs including one of their own which was sung in a round of three groups. This is considered a very difficult thing to do, and our compere Elena Browne from the Enfield Music Service was very impressed. Our children love singing, they show amazing pitch and performance plus smiling faces!



"I love singing it makes me feel happy!" – Elani

"My favourite song is the Malaysian song; it makes me smile!" – Alanah



The Children have also enjoyed trips to Durants Park to look at deciduous and evergreen trees. They enjoyed taking photos and tallying each group of trees they managed to spot.

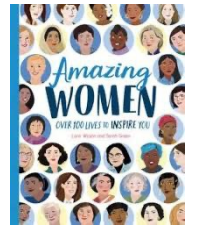
"Evergreen trees keep green all year!" – Leo

"I saw a duck in the pond!" - Harun



## A Message From Year Two

Year Two were proud to celebrate the amazing women all around the world during International Women's Week! A time to remember the incredible things women do every day, from being doctors, teachers, and scientists to being superheroes in their families and communities. We learnt about some famous women who made history, like Marie Curie, who discovered amazing things about science, and Malala Yousafzai, who works hard to make sure all girls can go to school. Let's all remember that we can be anything we dream of no matter who we are! Women and girls everywhere inspire us with their strength, kindness, and creativity. Let's celebrate them today and every day.



On **Red Nose Day**, our children had an amazing time joining in the fun to raise money for a wonderful cause! We're so proud of our young learners for embracing the spirit of kindness and generosity. Thank you for your support in making this Red Nose Day so special. It's wonderful to see our children making a difference and having fun while doing it!

## Holidays and Celebrations:

Easter is regarded as the most important holy day by Christians, and the Easter season traditionally includes the 40 days of lent and Holy Week culminating in Easter Sunday – also known as Resurrection Sunday. This year Easter Sunday falls on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

We would like to wish all members of our community who celebrate this holiday – Happy Easter!

We would also like to wish our Jewish families a Happy Passover!

Passover will be observed this year from April 12 to April 19, 2025. It is the Jewish spring festival celebrating freedom and family, remembering the Exodus from Egypt more than 3,000 years ago.

This year, Eid al - Fitr fell on 30th March we hope all members of our community who were celebrating enjoyed their time with their families and friends.



**Enfield Town Schools' Partnership is in Tesco stores!**

Collect a **blue token** from any register & cast your **vote** at one of the stores listed below

Enfield schools are in with the chance to **win up to £1,500** for much needed stationery supplies

Vote during the first week of April through to end June

