



# NEWSLETTER

## CARTERHATCH INFANTS SCHOOL

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28th April 2023

### Diary:

Monday 1st May - Early May **Bank Holiday**.  
Tuesday 2nd May - **School Closed** due to Strike Action  
Friday 5th May - Kings Coronation events in school (please look out for details to follow).  
Monday 8th May - **Bank Holiday** for The Coronation of King Charles.  
Monday 15th May - Whole Class Photographs.  
Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June - **Half Term Break**.  
Monday 5th June - **Staff Training Day**.  
Tuesday 6th June - **Children Return to School**.  
Thursday 8th June - **Reception Beach Trip**.  
Monday 19th June - **Year 2** Trip to Legoland.  
Friday 30th June - **Year 1** Trip to Paradise Wildlife Park.  
Tuesday 18th July - **Last day of Term for Nursery**.  
Thursday 20th July - **Last day of Term for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2**  
Friday 1st September - Staff Training Day.  
Monday 4th September - **Children Return to School**.

### 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 King Charles Coronation:

In light of the Coronation celebrations next weekend, school will be honouring this event on Friday 5th May. We are asking that the children come to school wearing something red, white or blue on that day. Please do not feel the need to buy anything new, any brightly coloured clothing will be sufficient. (£1 donations are welcome). Each year group will be participating in their own celebratory activities, such as Arts and Crafts, Cooking and Dressing up. Please look out for more details to follow.

### A Message from the Co-Heads:

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are at the start of another busy term and there is so much to look back on and celebrate since September. We hope you enjoy reading our fortnightly newsletters so you can find out what your child has been doing in school. We also have the curriculum theme webs on our school website. These theme webs have more details about what your child is learning in school for each subject or area. You will find them located on the blue curriculum tab under 'What your child will be learning each term'. A copy is also e-mailed to you, or a paper copy given if needed.

To all of our families who celebrated Eid last week, we hope that you enjoyed the celebrations and were able to make new lasting memories with your family and friends.

We have lots to look forward to in the summer term with exciting trips, visitors to our school, sports days and the King's Coronation celebrations. Further details will be shared nearer to the events. Thank you for your continued support, we look forward to the term ahead. Hopefully the weather will improve, everything seems so much better when it is bright and sunny!

### Bagel Bar:

To help support a healthy breakfast, we will be providing bagels to all of our children each morning. Please come and visit us at the front of the school from 8:30am every morning.

Did you know that a healthy breakfast helps provide children with the energy and nutrients they need to thrive; improving concentration, behaviour, attendance, punctuality, well-being and educational attainment!



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.

## From The Year 2 Team:

During the Easter Break, Year Two had the challenge of creating an igloo as part of their Geography topic, 'Lets go to the Arctic'. We are so impressed with how creative they have been. Children have used cottonwool, papier mâché, cardboard and other plastic materials to create their 3-D models. Some even light up! We have also received many beautiful drawings.

**We would like to thank both the children and the parents for taking part in this project.**



To celebrate the upcoming **King's Coronation**, we would like to invite our Year 2 parents to have afternoon tea with the children. This event will take place on **Friday 5th May at 2:30pm** in the Year 2 classrooms. Please look out for an invitation and more details to follow.

## From The Year One Team :

Year one had a very busy and fun end of Spring Term!

We joined up with St Matthews School and Woodpecker Hall School, taking part in the singing partnership festival. The children sang in total five songs which they had learned, including their own actions for each song!

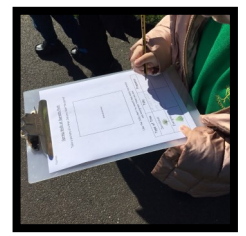
Our Compere Ruth was very impressed!

**'I like singing and I like the actions too!' - Ariba**

**"The Daffodils were so pretty and are good for bees!" - Talia**

**"I saw eleven evergreen trees. They keep their leaves." - Zara**

**"I like this song; I really like this song!" - Yidgit (about the HAPPY song)**



Year one also had an enjoyable and interesting visit to Durants Park. They searched for deciduous and evergreen trees, making a tally of how many they could see. Children also observed the seasonal changes of Spring, including blossom, spring flowers and birds and insects.



## From The Reception Team:

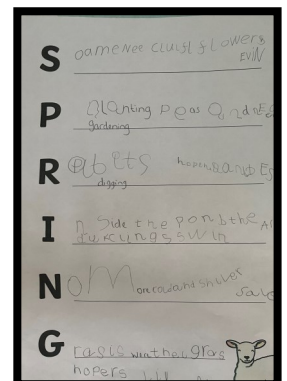
We have been enjoying our first few sessions of forest school on our school field. The children have been looking at the trees and plants and the signs of Spring coming through! Please remember to have them in clothes that cover arms and legs, bring wellington boots and a waterproof coat each Wednesday.



Linking to our learning in Forest School and our class core book, 'Tree' we have been composing poems about the different seasons.

Please continue to remember to read with your child at least **five times a week** and sign and comment in their reading record. They are checked once a week and books changed.

We hope that parents will be able to join us at our King's Coronation event next Friday, 5th May. Parents are invited in at 2.30pm to enjoy an 'afternoon tea' with the children in their class.



### From The Nursery Team:



Turtle class have enjoyed coming together to learn about Eid. They had fun making biscuits which were shared at whole class carpet time and watched a video about the preparations and celebrations that Muslim families take part in for Eid. We love to hear all about different cultural celebrations that our families take part in throughout the year, please share photos of special occasions on your child's tapestry account such as Birthdays, Christmas, Eid, Diwali, Easter.



Your child should have brought home a slip with a time and date for a **parent meeting** coming up over the next few weeks. These meetings will be with either Christina or Lily and will be an opportunity to discuss how your child is progressing in Nursery and share with you their recent learning. Please ensure you come at the time allocated. If you are unable to make it or you haven't received a slip, please speak to a member of staff.

### Parking Around School:

Thank you to our parent/carers who continue to be considerate of our neighbours when parking around school. Unfortunately, it has been brought to our attention that a few parent/carers from Carterhatch School are parking on double yellow lines, blocking driveways and emergency exits when collecting and dropping off their children. Although we are aware that these times can be busy, we ask that you be mindful and consider the safety about where and how you are parking.

Please be aware that our local residents have asked that we kindly pass on the message that they are taking note of registration numbers and will be contacting the council and the police if parking continues to be a nuisance to them.



### Mental Health Awareness Week:

Coming up in May (15th -21st May) is the Mental Health Foundation's Mental Health Awareness Week with the theme of Anxiety. In their PSHCE lessons children will be learning about anxiety, what it is and how to prevent it from becoming a problem.

The Mental Health Foundation say:

"Anxiety is a normal emotion in us all, but sometimes it can get out of control and become a mental health problem."

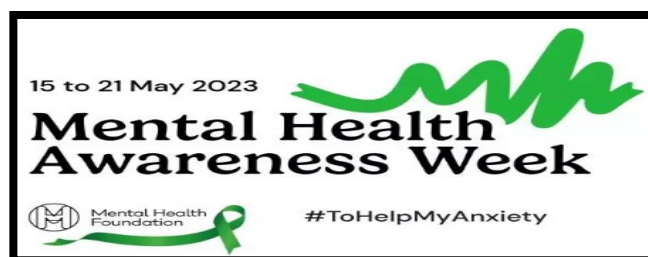
Lots of things can lead to feelings of anxiety, including exam pressures, relationships, starting a new job (or losing one) or other big life events. We can also get anxious when it comes to things to do with money and not being able to meet our basic needs, like heating our home or buying food.

"Anxiety is one of the most common mental health problems we can face."

If you or someone you know is struggling with feelings of loneliness help and advice is available from:

[Mental Health Awareness Week 2023 | Mental Health Foundation](#)

[What can we do to cope with feelings of anxiety? | Mental Health Foundation](#)



### Makaton:

Makaton is a unique language programme that uses symbols, signs, and speech to enable people to communicate. It supports spoken language rather than replacing it. We use Makaton throughout school.

Next week we will be learning the word cloud.



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_d6HPOCPRV0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_d6HPOCPRV0)

# CALLING ALL SPECIAL GUARDIANS!

We are setting up a new Support Group with an Education Focus, for all Special Guardians or people with Child Arrangement Orders in Enfield.

Do you have a Child Arrangement Order or Special Guardianship Order?

Would you like to meet others in the same position?

Do you fancy a chat with others in the same position?



When? **Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> May** at 10.00 – 11.30

Where? **Dugdale Theatre Café, London Road, Enfield Town Centre. EN2 6DS**

What? **Drop-in session to discuss any issues relating to education / schools.**

**Discussion about what the group might find helpful.**



Any questions or queries, please contact Jane Manning, Enfield Previously Looked After Children Officer.

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(Mondays - Wednesdays)

Possible topics for discussion:

Transition (between schools or within school)

Homework

Puberty

Attendance

Special needs

Friendships

Anything else?





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Dear parent / guardian,

We have been informed that 4 children who attend our school have been diagnosed with scarlet fever. Although scarlet fever is usually a mild illness, it should be treated with antibiotics to minimise the risk of complications and reduce the spread to others.

The symptoms of scarlet fever include the following;

Sore Throat

Headache

Fever

Nausea and Vomiting.

This is followed by a fine red rash which typically first appears on the chest and stomach, rapidly spreading to other parts of the body. On more dark pigmented skin, the scarlet rash may be harder to spot, but it should feel like 'sandpaper'. The face can be flushed red but pale around the mouth.

**If you think you, or your child, have scarlet fever:**

- see your GP or contact NHS 111 as soon as possible
- make sure that you/your child takes the full course of any antibiotics prescribed by the doctor.
- stay at home, away from nursery, school or work for at least 24 hours after starting the antibiotic treatment, to avoid spreading the infection.

**Complications**

Children who have had chickenpox recently are more likely to develop more serious infection during an outbreak of scarlet fever and so parents should remain vigilant for symptoms such as a persistent high fever, cellulitis (skin infection) and arthritis (joint pain and swelling).

If you are concerned for any reason please seek medical assistance immediately. If your child has an underlying condition which affects their immune system, you should contact your GP or hospital doctor to discuss whether any additional measures are needed.

You can find more information on the following government website;

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/scarlet-fever-symptoms-diagnosis-treatment>