



# Carrington Junior School

Newsletter – 15th May 2026



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Well done to all of Year 6 who have worked hard and committed themselves to the SATs this week. A solid week of assessments is hard for anyone, and I have to say that your children took them in their stride.

The preparation by the Year 6 team has been nothing short of brilliant and I loved the way everyone across the school came together to support the children. Thank you to parents too for making sure their children were in on time, ready to enjoy a daily SATs breakfast – Ms Gibbons did nearly burn the school down with the heating of croissants and waffles though!!

Year 4 have enjoyed Forest School this week and explored the pond and the habitat around it. I have seen incredibly strong writing in Year 5, and it was lovely that so many of them wanted me to read the work and they have been cooking up a storm with their adapted bolognese sauces!

Have a great weekend! 1 week until half term and the last term of the school year!  
Mrs Cliffe

# Celebrating Year 3

Year 3 have been busy developing their descriptive writing skills and started drafting suspense-filled extracts inspired by the discovery of a secret garden. The children are focusing on building tension through carefully chosen vocabulary, detailed imagery, and imaginative storytelling to create exciting settings.

To prepare for this unit, the children took part in a *sensory hunt* outdoors. They listened closely to birdsong, observed the variety of leaves and their intricate patterns, and tuned in to the sights, sounds, and textures of the natural world around them. This hands-on experience helped to spark their creativity and gave them a rich bank of ideas to draw upon in their writing.

Year 3 Team 🍒





# Celebrating Year 4

As promised, the results of our egg experiment! Year Four found out that Orange Juice was the worst drink for your teeth, with water being the best for your teeth.

In art, we have been looking at different shades and tints. We also started our DT topic on pavilions where we were experimenting by making structures using cocktail sticks and plasticine.

# Celebrating Year 5

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In Year 5 the children have been adapting and planning a traditional bolognese recipe. They worked in groups to make changes and then wrote a shopping list and looked up prices, some of us investigated the cheapest places to buy the ingredients too.

In Science the children continued their unit on forces and explored pulleys, levers and gears. They also designed their own Rube Goldberg machine! Recently, they have explored water resistance finding out which shapes provide the most and which are streamlined.

In PE Year 5 have continued to practise their tennis skills, building up rallies and working of backhand.

In computing, the children have made LED sequences with Micro:bit.





# Celebrating Year 6

The main focus in year 6 this week has been SATs, and we are so proud of how the children have approached every paper with focus and resilience. They gave it their all and we couldn't have asked for better attitudes during such a busy week.

To unwind from the assessments, we launched our new art unit with lesson 1 focusing on photomontage. The children enjoyed a well-deserved creative break diving into magazines to create unique collages. They experimented with layering and juxtaposition to transform ordinary images into imaginative new artworks.

# Celebrating Puffin Class

Puffin Class have been busy with a range of exciting activities this week!

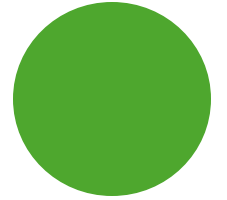
Year 3, 4 and 5 pupils consolidated their learning in French by practicing French numbers and using French phrases whilst playing a variety of French games, finishing with a classic game of *la marelle* (hopscotch).

During our LEGO STEM session, the children became engineers and worked creatively to complete different building challenges. Some groups designed floating boats, whilst others created a tic-tac-toe board game and an exciting marble maze.

In cooking with Mrs Mehta, a group of pupils made macaroni cheese, whilst other groups have either already enjoyed this activity or will be completing it soon. It certainly looked delicious, and we hope it tasted just as good!

In gardening with Mrs Haywood, the children have been designing and painting their own creature rocks which will be added to our garden area. We have a family of ladybirds and bumblebees now nesting around the school.

We would also like to say how incredibly proud we are of Puffin Class this week. The children have worked extra hard supporting their Year 6 peers during SATs week. Although the week has been a little different to usual, they have coped brilliantly, regulated themselves really well and shown kindness, maturity and understanding throughout.



# Cuddly Dog Raffle

To coincide with Monty's 3rd Birthday, we will be holding a raffle across the Infant and Junior schools next week to win a large cuddly toy dog!

Pupils from Year 6 will be going around classes each day next week to sell tickets.

Tickets are £1 each and the draw will take place next Friday, the last day of half term.

Good luck!

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# Dates for your Diary

- **w/c 18 May** - Cuddly Dog Raffle - £1 a ticket
- **w/c 25 May** – Half term
- **Mon 1 June** – Y5 '*A History of Sound*' Workshops
- **Wed 10 June** – Y3 Robin trip to Randall's Farm
- **Fri 12 June** – Y3 Wren trip to Randall's Farm
- **Fri 19 June** – PTA Father's Day Sale
- **22, 24, 25 June** – Y6 Bikeability – please make payment before 15 May
- **Tues 23 June PM** – Sports Day
- **Tues 23 June** – Papaya Talk: '*Let's Talk About Our Kids & Their Tech*' @Christchurch @7pm
- **Wed 24 June** – Y4 / Y5 Papaya '*Me and MyScreen*' Workshops
- **Thurs 25 June** – Y5 Language Day at John Hampden
- **Fri 26 June** – non-uniform day for donations to the Adult Tombola (Bottles please)



The full School Calendar is [here](#)  
(also available on the Eschool App)

# Dates for your Diary (continued)

- **Sat 27 June** – Carrington Summer Fair
- **Fri 3 July** – Book Swap after school
- **Tues 7 July am** – Transition Day
- **Tues 7 July pm** – French Market
- **Mon 13 July** – Y6 Production afternoon performance @1.30pm
- **Tues 14 July** – Y6 Production evening performance @7pm
- **Fri 17 July** – Y6 Leavers Assembly @9.15am
- **Friday 17 July** – 1.15pm finish for Summer Holiday
- **Tues 21 July** – PTA Legoland Trip



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# SUMMER COOKING CLASSES

WEDNESDAYS AFTER SCHOOL

- 10/06 - LOADED FOCACCIA
- 17/06 - OMBRÉ CUPCAKES
- 24/06 - GYROS W/ PITA + SALAD
- 01/07 - SUGARED DOUGHNUTS
- 08/07 - MAC & CHEESE + SALAD
- 15/07 - CHOCOLATE TRIFLE

• VEGETARIAN ALWAYS AVAILABLE. PLEASE ENQUIRE ABOUT DIETARY REQUIREMENTS/ ALLERGIES.

**TO REGISTER YOUR  
INTEREST PLEASE EMAIL  
RACHELSCREATIVECOOKING  
@GMAIL.COM**

A MINIMUM OF 10 CHILDREN  
ARE REQUIRED FOR THIS CLUB  
TO GO AHEAD.

OPEN TO YEARS 3-6

3.25PM - 5PM

£72 FOR FULL 6 WEEK  
COURSE



# Safeguarding ... IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

On **TUESDAY 23rd JUNE** there will be a **COMMUNITY TALK** for all parents of Carrington Infant School, Carrington Junior School and Juniper Hill School about **HOW TO HELP FAMILIES THRIVE IN A DIGITAL AGE**

The meeting will be run by Papaya Talks and it is a **CRUCIAL** meeting for anyone interested in the impact of social media and mobile phones on their child and family.

Please come along

7.00pm - 8.30pm

at

CHRISTCHURCH on Chapel Road

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Create. Code. Enjoy.

# HALF TERM TECH CAMPS!

26<sup>TH</sup> & 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY

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6-14 years olds



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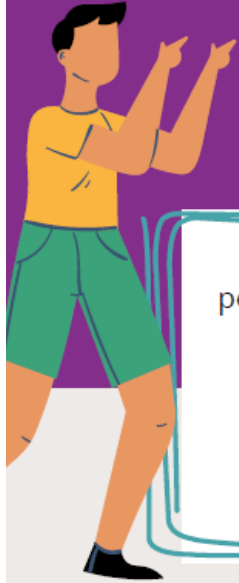
£45 per day



10am-3pm



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## MOVING UP TO SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR YEAR 6'S

- Explores what to expect at secondary school.
- Learn skills to make friends, deal with peer pressure and address any worries about the move.
- Practical tips about getting organised.



## HOW TO BUILD CONFIDENCE AND SELF- ESTEEM

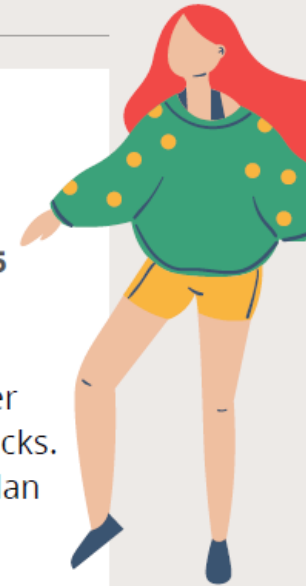
11 TO 19 YEAR OLDS (UP TO 25  
WITH SEND)

- Explore ways to increase confidence and self-esteem.
- How to deal with peer pressure and setbacks.
- Explores how the online world affects self-esteem.

## HOW TO COPE WITH STRESS, ANXIETY AND LOW MOOD

11 TO 19 YEAR OLDS (UP TO 25  
WITH SEND)

- Introduces creative strategies to feel better and to deal with setbacks.
- Helps young people plan for a brighter future.



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## LITTLE TALKERS



### 18 months to 3 years old

- Focuses on children's speech, language and communication skills and how parents can promote them
- Designed by Buckinghamshire Speech and Language Therapy

## PARENT PUZZLE



### 1 to 6 years old

- Understand challenges and how to address them
- How to support your child's growth for calmer parenting

## TALKING TEENS



### 11 to 18 years old

- Focuses on relationships within the family, communication, negotiating, decision-making and strategies to reduce conflict
- Learn more about teenagers and their needs

## THE NURTURING PROGRAMME



### 7 to 11 years old

- Help deal with the challenges that come with parenting
- Think about what we do, why we do it and how it makes us feel

## BALANCEABILITY



### 2.5 to 5 years old

- Accredited learn to cycle programme
- Develops confidence, spatial awareness, dynamic balance, and how to ride without stabilisers

## KEEPING YOUR CHILD IN MIND



### All ages

- Work together in ways that support growing children and a calmer family life
- Explore the conflict between parents/carers both in a current or previous relationship

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# PTA Legoland Tickets are back!!

Online bookings now  
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Wycombe High School is very pleased to invite you and your family to our Community Carnival on Saturday 20 June 2026, taking place as part of our 125th anniversary celebrations.

The Community Carnival is a joyful, family friendly event designed to bring together local primary school families, neighbours, and friends to celebrate our school's long history and its close links with the community. We would love to welcome you and your children to join us on the Wycombe High School site for a fun and relaxed day out.

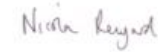
Throughout the day, families can enjoy a lively festival atmosphere with a wide range of activities for children of all ages. These will include live music and performances, fairground rides, creative and hands-on workshops, interactive games, stalls, food vendors, and opportunities to explore our spacious school grounds. There will be plenty to see and do, whether you stay for a short visit or make a day of it.

Tickets for the Community Carnival are free, but we ask that families book in advance so that we can manage numbers and ensure a safe, enjoyable experience for everyone. Tickets can be booked via the Eventbrite link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/whs-community-carnival-tickets-1987395545576>

We hope you will be able to join us for this special occasion and help us celebrate 125 years of Wycombe High School with the local community.

Yours sincerely



Mrs N Renyard

Headteacher



# BUCKS COUNTY SHOW

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2026

**SCHOOL OFFER!**



## **FREE** Child Tickets!

You can book entry tickets online and take advantage of our **FREE child ticket** offer. Get up to 3 FREE child tickets (up to 16yrs) with each full paying Adult or Over 65 ticket. To redeem, simply use code **SCHOOL26** at checkout.

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