



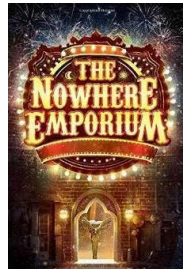
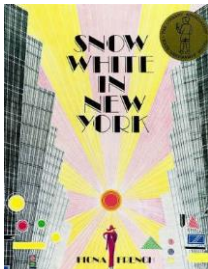
Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter Autumn Term 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you have had a brilliant summer and are now fully rejuvenated and ready for the year ahead – the final (and hopefully the best) one at Carrington Juniors. This newsletter will highlight the various topics that we will be covering this term. On the reverse, you will find other important information and significant dates for your calendar. Sign up to [Seesaw](#) to ensure that you receive the latest updates and notifications.

English

During this term, your child will be reading several texts, enabling them to investigate a variety of authors' writing styles, as well as writing their own creative pieces. We will be reading a range of literature, including:



- There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom (Louis Sachar)
- Snow White in New York (Fiona French)
- The Nowhere Emporium (Ross MacKenzie)

As part of our [Seesaw](#) promise, we aim to send at least one English update per week. See our [Seesaw](#) leaflet for further details (additional copies available upon request).

Please remember that your child must read every night for at least 15 minutes. To make the most of this opportunity, time should also be spent discussing the text they have read.

Maths

This term, we will cover the fundamentals of the subject – place value, a focus of the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) and learning the times tables at an increasing speed.

It is imperative that children rehearse their skills regularly to ensure a secure understanding of all four operations in a range of real-life situations to support problem-solving. Any activities (such as shopping, measuring, budgeting etc) that you can do with your child will benefit them immensely.

[Seesaw](#)

We owe much of our academic success last year to the working partnership between school and home. This was cultivated through use of [Seesaw](#). By the end of the very first week, you should have received your login details – all you require is your phone, tablet or PC. Your child will benefit massively from your decision to sign up to this free app.

Science & Topic

Our opening topic for this academic year will undertake a scrutiny of the geographic and historical elements of North America. This topic offers a fascinating insight into the similarities and differences between the continents of Europe and North America.



In science lessons, we will be examining animals and their habitats. In RE, we will be learning about two of the world's largest religious followings: Islam and Christianity. In our computing learning, we will be focusing on the all-important notion of e-safety.

Homework

For the convenience of everyone, the weekly homework will be posted on *Seesaw*. This year, this app will replace the use of the School Planner.

Reading – this should be recorded daily, activities carried out and Reading Records handed in every Monday.

Spellings – words will be posted and need to be learned in preparation for a weekly spelling test.

Maths - Relevant to weekly learning.

English/ Topic/ Other – To build independence and time-management skills, with half an eye on secondary school, we have decided to use a cross-curricular homework grid – watch this space!

SATs revision – Periodically, homework will be set from CGP books. This will either replace or supplement the above.

Key Dates

Tuesday 10th September – 11+ preparation

Thursday 12th September – 11+ tests

Friday 18th October – 11+ results

Other Info

PE will occur on the afternoons of Monday and Friday – please ensure that kits are in school on those days. If, for a medical reason, your child cannot participate in a lesson, a letter must be supplied.

Both PE kits and school uniform should be labelled with your child's name. To see correct PE kit and school uniform, please refer to the school website. Ensure that all equipment in your child's pencil case is labelled. This should also be the case for his/her coat, bag and lunchbox.

We are very much looking forward to this year and hope your child is too. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's progress or welfare, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Nathan, Mr Shand

and the **Year Six** team

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