

Carterhatch Junior School

Weekly Newsletter

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Welcome back

It's good to see everyone back after the long summer break. A special welcome to parents of year 3 children and to those families who have joined the school this term. We look forward to getting to know you and working with you to ensure we deliver the very best for your child. I would also like to welcome new members of staff who have joined the Carterhatch team: Marian Switonski, Eshrat Alam, Arion Lawrence, Debbie Wilde, Sam Williams, Alex Dawson and Sabina Ceglaz-Abdol.

Pencil cases



Please ensure your child is using the pencil case provided by the school. Your child has been provided with all the resources they need, which should be kept in the school pencil case. Personal pencil cases are not permitted.

Thank you.

School values

We will be thinking about Carterhatch's values this term:

Collaboration, Resilience, Respect, Responsibility, Safety and especially Success as we are planning to have a happy and successful start to the school year!

We are starting a new initiative called 'Exceed & Excel' and we will be inviting inspirational speakers into school to meet the pupils. Our first visitor will be Joan Ryan, Member of Parliament, who will be at our School Parliament launch on Monday 10th September. Elections will be happening in the next few weeks for School Councillors in Years 3-5 and official campaigns and whole school voting will be happening for Year 6 pupils who would like to put themselves forward as MPs.



Student Update form

Next week your child will bring home a 'Student Update' form. This form contains information which the school holds on your child. Please check this form very carefully, update as necessary, and return to your child's teacher by Friday 14th September.



In line with '**Keeping Children Safe in Education**' guidance, it is vital that we have at least two contact phone numbers for your child. Please also ensure you check the form and update who is allowed to collect your child from school as we are unable to release pupils to persons who are not listed. Thank you.

Secondary school information - Year 6

The 'Guide to Secondary Schools in Enfield' booklet has been sent home with Year 6 children today. School tours are happening now so please check page 11 of the booklet for dates. You are strongly encouraged to visit your preferred schools. Selecting the right secondary school for your child is an important and exciting step and you need to gather as much information as possible to help you make the right decision. Applications must be made online - please refer to the booklet for guidance. Thank you.

Photographers

The photographer will be in school on Tuesday 11th September to take individual photos of all pupils.

We are also updating our school environment and corridors. A professional photographer is coming in on Wednesday 19th September so we can have up-to-date images of our children learning throughout the day. Working with the new School Parliament, we will select images to be printed onto canvases which will be displayed across the school and some of them will be published on our website. Please ensure your child wears full school uniform.

Year 6 will be having their camp, so they will not be in uniform!



Autumn term school clubs

Your child should bring home the school clubs' information and application form on Monday. Please discuss the clubs with your child and return the completed application form to your child's class teacher by **Wednesday 12th September**. You will be informed of the club allocation by Friday 14th September. Items for payment will appear on ParentPay. If you require a bar coded letter to make payment, please contact the school office. Payment will be due by Wednesday 19th September.

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

The above course for new adult learners will start on **Monday, 24th September, 2018 from 9 - 11am** in the Junior School. Places are still available. If you or someone you know would like to learn English, please contact Lynda on 0208 804 2101 (option 3) or by text on 07955 781 832.



Other Parent/Carer courses

We are planning to run other courses throughout the next academic year in conjunction with Barnet and Southgate College, including courses on Mindfulness and Healthy Eating. Please look out for further details.

Felix Project



We are pleased to let you know that from **Wednesday, 12th September, 2018**, we will be joining the Schools Programme of the above project.

More than 10 million tonnes of food is wasted in the UK every year whilst food poverty is a growing problem and parents struggle to put food on the table. The Felix Project will provide a free weekly delivery of surplus food which will be made available to children and their families to take home and enjoy.

More details of how the food will be distributed on a weekly basis will be text to you shortly. For further information about the project please log on to The Felix Project's website at <http://thefelixproject.org/>

Pupils at Carterhatch Junior School thrilled to receive Premier League Primary Stars football kit



Pupils from Carterhatch Junior School, in Enfield, will be able to kick-off the new term in style, following the delivery of a brand new Premier League Primary Stars kit for their football team.

Carterhatch was awarded the free Nike kit, consisting of 15 football shirts, shorts and socks, after a successful online application through the Premier League Primary Stars website. Thanks to Scott Langley for organising the successful bid.

Scott, PE Instructor said: "We are very proud to step out wearing our brand new Nike kit this academic year. The kit will help to raise the profile of competitive sport across the school and give the children wearing it a sense of pride, identity and value."



Dates for your diary

New items are posted in red

Start of new academic year

10 September 2018		Joan Ryan visit to launch School Parliament week
10 - 18 September		School Parliament weeks
11 September		School photographer - individual photos
19 September		Photographer for school environment plan and website
19 - 21 September		Year 6 camp on school field
28 September	9-10am	Coffee morning - all parents/carers invited
22 - 26 Oct		Half term - school closed
26 November		Inset day - school closed
21 December	2pm	Last day of Autumn term - early finish
24 Dec 2018 - 4 Jan 2019		Christmas holiday - school closed



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7 January	8.50am	First day of Spring term - pupils return at normal time
18 - 22 February		Half term - school closed
25 February		Inset day - school closed
8 - 22 April		Easter holiday - school closed
6 May		School closed - Bank Holiday
27 - 31 May		Half term - school closed
19 July	2pm	Last day of Summer term 2019 - early finish
22 - 23 July		Inset days - school closed

I just wish to remind you that I have a weekly article in the newsletter where I am able to answer your questions or provide information to you as parents/carers. You can use this opportunity to ask me about anything that you require advice on. No letters or names are ever published.



My contact details are:

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I look forward to receiving your requests.

Regards,

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