



School Newsletter

Issue 2, 20th September 2019

The Golden Book Awards

These awards are given out weekly for outstanding efforts; children will be named here in each newsletter!

Golden Book Awards for week ending 6th and 13th September are:

MAPLE: Loki and Paige

BIRCH: Emily and Lexi

OAK: Diego and James

CHESTNUT: Pawel and Izzy

EUCALYPTUS: Ellie and Carlo

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD: Summer



Games Mark Gold

We are very excited to announce that our school has been awarded with the School Games Mark Gold award for the third year running!

Our application was processed at the end of last term and we have shown that we have met the criteria for Gold.

The award focuses on Key Stage Two and celebrates the extra-curricular clubs which are offered, the opportunities for representing the school at competitions at all levels (A, B and C teams), the variety of sports which are offered to the children in competitions, the chance for children to try new sports, inter-house opportunities, PE within the school day and leadership roles taken by the children during the year.

We are very proud of this achievement and we thank all the parents who have supported us last year with our teams and clubs.

Aldi's 'Get Set to Eat Fresh'

We are now collecting Aldi's Team GB stickers.

If we collect 300 stickers then we receive an exclusive sports kits and a chance to win £20,000.

You can collect the Team GB stickers whenever you spend £30 in Aldi, and then bring the stickers into school. We have a poster in the hall to collect all the stickers.



Prayers by Chestnut and Birch

Dear God,

I wish for my future to have a good job that helps people in their lives. I wish all the people would be a little more caring to the ocean and the planet! I want that to happen because no one is caring about our planet, especially our oceans and the Earth that God made.

Amen

By Maria G

Dear God,

Please let the future be good. Please God, let us not litter and not kill any animals or bugs. Please stop climate change. Let the future be a better place so it is wonderful and peaceful.

Amen

By Lasaro

Heavenly Father,

Please help the world to be good and a healthy place so no one gets hurt. Help us to be the best we can for our future brothers and sisters. Please stop pollution so no animal gets hurt. My dream is to make the world the best it can be. I hope everyone who is hurt can be better after my prayer and that we can love the world as God gave us that responsibility.

Amen

By Millie

In some places in our country, people do not have enough food. Please help them so they grow strong and healthy so they can grow up.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Read by Livinia.

We think of countries around the world where the harvest is not always successful due to war and drought.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Read by Jane

Please help the poor and make it rain in hot countries. Help them not to have dirty water.

Lord have mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Read by Jonny.

Thank you for the food and the farmers. Can you make sure other people in different countries have enough food.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Read by Emily

Parent information and School Reminders

We would appreciate if parents, especially those new to the school, could take the time to read this section as there is some important information regarding our school. If you have any queries, please do contact the school office.

- Nut Policy – Due to a severe nut allergy in school, we have a no nut policy. If you require further information, please see the school office.
- Leave of absence – only in exceptional circumstances (such as a funeral) will leave be authorised. If you need to make a request for absence, please submit a request in writing giving full details as to why the absence must be taken during term time.
- Dogs are not allowed onto school property. This includes the area outside the front of school, the car park and the driveway.
- Please name all uniform and items brought to school. Any lost property brought to the school office will be returned frequently if it is named.
- Absence from school due to illness - Reasons for absence may be offered verbally, by phone or left on school voicemail but must be followed by a letter on the child's return to school if the absence is for more than two days. Please contact the school no later than 9.30am on the first day of your child's absence.
- Arrival at School: Please can children be taken to the rear playground to line up before school. Please do not wait at the classroom doors (except Elm / Reception) as teachers will come to the rear playground to escort children into the classrooms. For children in Elm class; once the classroom doors are opened, please drop your children off and leave as quickly as possible to promote independence.
- Please be aware that school staff are not present in the playground until 8.45am. Please supervise young children until this time.
- There is no parking at school for parents. You are welcome to park at St Joseph's Church for drop off and collection times. If you are parking on local streets, please park responsibly as we do receive regular complaints regarding this.
- Please download the School Gateway app. Even if you do not need to make payments to the school, we would be grateful if you could register as it enables the school to send all text messages to you free, which we currently pay a fee for.
- **School meal payments must be paid by start of school on Monday morning** (or the first school day of the week). There are several ways you can make payments:
 - Via our online app school gateway, available at all times. We encourage all parents to book and pay for school meals this way even if your child receives free school meals
 - Pay at the school office from 08.45 with cash
 - A clearly marked envelope handed to breakfast club staff with cash
 - A clearly marked envelope for your child to hand in to the school office with cash

Kidz Care Club Payments

Please book your Kidz Care Club and Breakfast Club sessions via the school gateway app. You can do this if you pay via bank transfer, childcare vouchers or cash.

For School Gateway App – Choose the club you would like to use and select the chosen dates. You can book as far in advance as you like but you must pay at the time of booking. You must make the first gateway payment via a computer to register your card details. If you do not have access to a computer at home, please see the school office.

For Childcare Vouchers – Please send the payment with your child's name and BC or KCC as the reference. If you would like the voucher split between more than one club then please email the office your preference. Once the payment has been received, it will be credited to your school gateway account. You will then be able to book the sessions you require. Please send the childcare vouchers in enough time for them to be processed before your required session.

For Cash – Please bring the correct money in an envelope marked with your child's name followed by BC or KCC and the date. The money can then be credited to your school gateway account where you will be able to book the required sessions.

If you have any queries, please see the school office.

Fundraising 2019-20

Here is where you can see all the fundraising we have taken part in this year and how much we have raised:

School Attendance

**Half way through and at the end each small term children with perfect attendance will receive an award sticker in assembly.
Every day counts!**

Class	This week	Year To Date
Maple	93.8%	94.1%
Birch	96.8%	95.7%
Oak	99.2%	97.3%
Chestnut	97.4%	98.0%
Eucalyptus	96.9%	96.2%
Whole School	96.9%	96.3%

**At St. Joseph's, we take attendance very seriously!
For more information, please visit our attendance page on our website.**

<http://www.stjosephsprimarycarterton.co.uk/about-us/attendance-1>

Dates for the diary:

September:

Wed 25th – Fri 27th Year 6 Residential

October:

Wed 9th West Open (U9) Mixed Football at Carterton Community College (Team to be selected).

Mon 21st Multi-Cultural Week

Tue 22nd Book Fair Arrives

Tue 22nd Parents Evening, 3.30pm – 5.30pm

Wed 23rd School Photographs

Wed 23rd Parents Evening, 5pm – 7pm

Thu 24th West Open Cross Country Event at Chesterton Rugby Club Years 3 – 6
(Team to be selected)

Fri 25th School finishes at 3pm for October Half Term (Kidz Care Club open until 6pm)

November:

Mon 4th School Returns at 9.00 am (Breakfast Club opens at 7.45 am)

Wednesday

Leading/attending Mass

25th September Birch

2nd October Maple

Monday

Leading Collective Worship:

23rd September House

30th September Class

7th October Whole School

Friday

Leading Assembly at 9.10am:

11th October Eucalyptus

18th October Chestnut

25th October Oak

St Gregory the Great Catholic School

Secondary Open Evening —Year 6



Come and see us on

Wednesday 25th Sept 2019 (6—8pm)

Cricket Road, Oxford, OX4 3DR—www.stgregory.oxon.sch.uk



Carterton Family Centre

Registered Charity 1175596

Weekly Diary 9th September to 20th December 2019

Welcome to our Autumn / Winter Programme 2019

So we finally have the builders in The Allandale - it was a very long process, raising the money, going out to tender, commissioning the builder and then handing over the key for them to start. But we made it!!

We should be looking at getting back into our building around Easter 2020!

In the meantime we remain on a limited programme in the Town Hall. But we have booked The Millennium Centre to run the Little Crawlers session starting in September. So all of you with little ones who are on the move or walking, but not confidently, come along and find us there on a Wednesday afternoon.

We are now working on raising revenue money for the years ahead and have launched our 100 club. For the price of a coffee a month you might win, so please ask us for more details about how to join and start raising money with us!!

Family Centre Sessions

TUESDAY

10am to 11.15am New Baby Group

Come and meet other mums, with a new baby, in a welcoming and friendly group with lots of time to chat about your experience of being a mum.

There's also some singing, and play activities for your baby.

Carterton Town Hall

12.30pm - 2.30pm Family Links Parenting Programme

A 10week course to help you:

- 1) Understand why children behave as they do
- 2) Recognise the feelings behind the behaviour
- 3) Explore different approaches to discipline
- 4) Learn the importance of looking after yourself

You need to book a place so if you are interested please contact Jo on 07973 943 903

Venue to be confirmed

WEDNESDAY

11 - 11.45am Baby Movers

Lots of fun for you and your baby with music, simple baby massage, story time and some play ideas.

Suitable for babies from birth onwards. This is also a really lovely group for meeting other mums with little babies.

Carterton Town Hall

1pm - 2pm Little Crawlers

Come and play with your baby!

This group has activities for babies who can sit or crawl but haven't yet mastered the art of confidently walking. Lots of play ideas, singing and story time.

Also a chance to meet other parents with babies.

The Millennium Centre Stanmore Crescent

Other Groups In Carterton

Monday:

Baby Clinic

10am - 11.15am

Health Visiting Team Drop-In Clinic for well babies.

Carterton Town Hall

Bumps to Tots

9.30 to 11am

Millennium Centre Stanmore Crescent

Rhyme Time

10.30am

Carterton Library

Tuesday:

Rainbow Toddlers:

9.30 to 11am

Methodist Church Burford Road

Thursday:

Rhyme Time

10.30am

Carterton Library

Pufflings

10 to 11.30am

Carterton Community Centre Shilton Park

Friday:

Drop In

9 to 10.30am

St Johns Church

SPYE Youth Club (first Friday every month)

7 to 9pm

For senior school age young people

Carterton Community Centre

Saturday:

Saturday Club

2pm to 4pm (first Saturday each month)

For children aged 6 to 11yrs

Methodist Church, Burford Road

Air Play

Air Play is Carterton's Youth Club & is open to all young people in the town.

Emma is the Youth Worker and you can contact her by email: emma.palash@cartertonfamilycentre.org.uk

Or mobile: 07734 022 413 for more information about any of the sessions

MONDAY

6pm - 8pm Inters

Open to all young people aged 11-14yrs

WEDNESDAY

4.30pm - 6pm Ben Club

Open to all children aged 5-8yrs
The Families Club Stanmore Crescent

6.30pm - 8pm Juniors

Open to all young people aged 8-11yrs

THURSDAY

6.30 - 8.30pm Seniors

Open to all young people aged 14yrs and over

Air Play Venue

The Flat
10 Ely Close
Carterton
OX18 3UJ

Volunteer With Us

If you would like to get involved at The Family Centre please get in touch.

We have a vacancy for 1 trustee and are always looking for fundraisers and volunteers

THURSDAY

9.30am to 10.30am

Ante Natal

Bumps, Balls & Breathing

Learn highly effective breathing, relaxation and physical skills for a straightforward labour.

To book please phone Sarah on 07909 545484 or email: sarah@birthbabybalance.co.uk

The first Thursday of every month is for partners too.

Carterton Town Hall

Cost of Family Centre Sessions

We ask for a £1 donation at our baby sessions to help to cover our costs. Other sessions will have different costs so please ask when you book or when you arrive

Funded by Carterton Town Council; Oxford County Council; RAF Benevolent Fund; and Armed Forces Covenant Fund

Venues: Carterton Town Hall 19 Alvescot Rd OX18 3JL The Millennium Centre Stanmore Crescent OX18 3UG

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