



Friday 14th October 2022

Newsletter

I honestly have no idea where this half-term has gone, only one more week left before we all get a well-deserved rest. The children are making my job very enjoyable. It is an absolute pleasure to be Head at Castle Carrock, I cannot wait to continue watching the children develop and grow.

School Dinner Menu

Our new winter menu, starting Monday 31st October, is now available to view on Class Dojo.

School photos

Tempest photography will be in school on Thursday 20th to take individual and sibling photos. Younger siblings are welcome to join us at 8:30am to have their photos taken.

Halloween Disco

The PTA have organised a Halloween disco for Friday 21st October from 5:30-7pm, tickets cost £4. I cannot wait to get my dancing shoes on and join in the fun!

Harvest festival

Our Harvest Festival celebrations will take place at St. Peters Church on Thursday 20th October, 2:30pm. We will be collecting donations for Carlisle Food Bank, however if you know of any local families who might be in need of a food parcel, please let me know.

Parents Evening – Monday, 17 October and Tuesday, 18 October 2022

Class teachers have sent slips home with children's parents evening dates and times on. If you are yet to make an appointment, please contact your child's class teacher. If required, appointments can take place over the phone.

Attendance

Attending school every day helps your child learn, develop and achieve and enables them to build confidence and friendships. I am delighted to say that we have had 100% attendance in school this week 3/5 days which is amazing! Fingers crossed the winter germs stay away!

Class news Honeybee Class

This week Honeybee class have enjoyed retelling and recreating the story of Handa's surprise. We have been learning how to sequence stories by remembering the order of events. The children enjoyed making a fruit salad - tasting the different fruits, exploring the smells and feeling the textures. In Maths we explored which fruits were the heaviest and which were the lightest. We used scales to see if our predictions were correct. We have been in the school garden exploring all the changes which are happening. In the garden we found some giant mushrooms.

Class news Bumblebee Class

In English, the children have been finding out how adjectives can be used to evoke feelings and emotions in writing and how conjunctions can help us expand simple sentences. Such is the enthusiasm for writing in this class, one of our Year 2s has set about writing her own book at home and we cannot wait to see the finished article! In maths the focus has been on addition and subtraction with some excellent place value knowledge on display. For topic this week we looked at castle defences and everyone is super excited to come to school on Monday dressed up as kings or queens (or soldiers, jesters, or prince/princesses etc) so we can re-enact what life would have been like inside a castle almost 1000 years ago! In PE we learned about attack and defence in an early version of netball. And, on top of all of that, we even managed to learn how to speak a little bit of French.

Class news Queen Bee class

This week in Queen Bees class, we have been analysing biographies and understanding why and how they are written. In History, we have been comparing the changes brought to our country during the Industrial Revolution. Finally, in Art, we are collating all the skills we have learned this half term into a final piece of original work.

Access to school

We now have a new maglock installed on the main gate. If you would like to access the field/playground outside of school hours, please use the entrance onto the field, this gate will be left unlocked.

Term dates:

School finishes on Friday 21st and reopens on Monday 31st October. During half-term, the renovations of the school will continue. See if you can spot the improvements on your return!

Many thanks,
Miss A. Carroll
