



Headteacher's Headlines

Welcome back everybody! It was so amazing to see everyone back in school on Wednesday. The children have started back in their units with a fantastic attitude and we are all very excited for the fun filled year ahead. The Acorns have settled in well and are enjoying being back at school and the Oaks have started back with vigour too, setting an excellent example to the younger Acorns. Please take note of the dates below, these will be added to, as the year progresses.

Warmest Wishes,
Sarah

Friday Assemblies

Parent assemblies are now the last Friday in each month. Please come and join us to celebrate pupils' achievements both inside and outside of school.

School Lunches

Aspens is now the school catering company. All bookings are to be made on ParentMail. Please book before 9:30am on Fridays for the following Monday and continue to book 2 days in advance for the rest of the week. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you need any help.

Holidays during Term Time

As you will be aware, there have been some National changes with regards holidays during term time. It is the responsibility of the local authority to decide when to issue fines to parents, meaning the process varies from council to council. However, under the national rules, all schools are required to consider a fine when a child has missed 10 or more sessions (5 days) for unauthorised reasons. From August 2024, the fine for school absences across the country will be **£80 if paid within 21 days, or £160 if paid within 28 days**. This rate is in line with inflation and is the first increase since 2012. In the case of repeated fines, if a parent receives a second fine for the same child within any three-year period, this will be charged at the higher rate of £160.

Fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action like a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

If you're prosecuted and attend court because your child hasn't been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500.

Sunflower Competition

Thank you so much to those of you who have sent in fantastic photos of your sunflowers! If you would still like to enter, please remember to send in photos and measurements of the sunflower to admin@castlecarrock.cumbria.sch.uk. The competition ends on Friday 13th September when the winner will be announced.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Clubs will start w/c 16th September more information to follow on ParentMail.

Mystery Readers

Please contact school admin@castlecarrock.cumbria.sch.uk if you would be interested in being a Mystery Reader and surprise your child/children by coming in to read to the class in school. Pupils love having their family, friends and relatives visit the classroom to read a favourite story aloud to the class. You can bring a book from home or read a book chosen from the library. We are excited to see you in school!





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Asda

If you shop in Asda please just head to the cash pot area on the app and select Castle Carrock This will not affect your personal Asda cash pot usual incentives.

PTFA Meeting Wednesday 11th September

The PTFA would like to invite parents/members of community to a meeting at Castle Carrock Primary School from 7pm on Wednesday 11th September 2024. All are welcome.

Music lessons

David Wood will be returning back to school Wednesday 11th September for music lessons.

Nasal Flu Vaccinations Reception – Year 6

Letters have been sent home via ParentMail for you to complete and return to the NHS for taking part in the flu vaccinations in October.

Thursday 12th September Individual School Photos

Tuesday 17th September Trying New Foods Workshop

2.00-2.30 Healthy choices – Whole school assembly

2.30-3.30pm Trying New foods workshops for parents with children to join for practical part of session from 3.00-3.30pm

See further information on Parentmail.

Tuesday 17th September Year 6 Open Evening at William Howard School

Starts at 5:30pm. Please find further information on the William Howard School website.

Monday 23rd September Waterworks Assembly

This will cover what we use water for, how much we use, how we can save water, including a practical experiment on what not to flush down our toilets! At the end of the assembly the children will have made a “water saving promise” that we will challenge them to keep over the next 6 weeks.

Friday 27th September MacMillan Big Coffee morning

Please come and join us for coffee and cake in the school hall from 9am – 10am. Cake donations welcome.

Dates for the Diary

Thursday 12 th September	Individual School Photos
Tuesday 17 th September	Trying New Foods Workshop Parent and children
Tuesday 17 th September	William Howard School Year 6 Open Evening 5:30pm
Monday 23 rd September	Waterworks Assembly
Friday 27 th September	Macmillan Big Coffee morning 9am – 10am
October	Black History Month
Thursday 17 th October	Nasal Flu Vaccinations Reception – Year 6

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