



# Carrant Brook Junior School Newsletter

Newsletter Date: 1 February 2019

## Headteacher's Message:

Dear Parents/Carers

On Monday there was a PGL presentation after school for parents. If you were unable to attend this meeting you can access the Powerpoint on the School website <http://www.carrantbrook.com/pupils/pgl-20109>. Please feel free to also contact Miss Jefferies, Mrs Mattholie or Miss Sheikh if you have any worries or wish for clarification on any of the slides.

The weather has definitely turned colder! Don't forget to view <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closures/> for information about School Closures and I will of course also send a text via Teachers2Parents if I have to close the School due to bad weather. It is important that we have your correct contact details on our system, so that we can inform you of any changes to the School day. Please complete a 'Change of details' form available in the School Office if you need to change or update personal information with us.



It has come to my attention that a number of children are not wearing bike helmets. Please can you ensure that your child wears their helmet while riding to School as it greatly reduces the severity of injury and potential trauma to the head.

Please can I remind Parents that Breakfast Club starts from 8.15am. It is lovely to see children eager to attend School, but please be aware that supervision for the children doesn't commence until 8.15am

Kind Regards  
Mrs Budd

## INVITATION:

Just a quick reminder that you should have received two letters this week inviting you to attend:

**'Ready Steady Read'** 5 week course, which focusses on one-to-one time with your child – making things, playing games and having fun; understanding how to support your child's reading, writing and verbal communication skills; tips on making learning fun and helping with homework. There are also FREE crèche places for younger siblings

**'Struggling to get your child to school'** parents session providing an opportunity to discuss concerns and explore reasons for refusal; how to be positive in difficult situations; how to manage your child's worries and anxiety related to school; putting in place strategies to support your child, plus TEA and CAKE!

**Both events will be held at the school.** If you would like more information or you did not receive a letter please come to the office and ask to see me. Places are limited so please send your reply slips in ASAP.



Thank you  
Anna (Family Support Worker)

## GET OUT & PLAY!



### February Half Term

**The Northway Playing Field, Northway  
Friday 22nd February 2019  
10am - 4pm**

Play Rangers in Northway, kindly funded by Northway Parish Council.

Our Play Ranger activities take place outdoors in all weathers and are open access.

This means there is no registration, children are free to come & go as they please. Under 7's are welcome and should be accompanied by a parent or carer.



For further information:  
[www.playgloucestershire.org.uk](http://www.playgloucestershire.org.uk)

Tel: 01452 505548

### Commendations:

**Congratulations to our Golden Book Merit Award winners.**

**Congratulations also to Sycamore class who won this week's attendance with 98.8%**



### Reading Challenge:

Congratulations to **Year 5** pupils in Birch class this week who came **1st with 100% of pupils** reading at least 4 times each week.

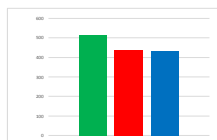
**2nd** - Oak - 93% **3rd** - Elm - 92.8% **4th** - Sycamore - 92% **5th** - Ash - 91% **6th** - Willow - 80.95%

**Please can you support us in encouraging your child to read at least 4 times per week. Thank you.**

### House Points: Congratulations!

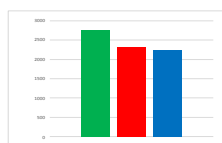
Which house is in the lead so far this term?

- 1st place - Emerald  
2nd place - Ruby  
3rd place - Sapphire



Which house is in the lead so far overall?

- 1st place - Emerald  
2nd place - Ruby  
3rd place - Sapphire



Please continue to support your child in logging into their Mathletics account. The more activities your child completes the more points they can earn. Look out for certificates, gold bars and even trophies!



They can also set up their very own avatar, and use points to buy funky accessories.

### RECOMMENDED READING BOOKS:

#### Year 3:

- The Dog Who Changed the World by Robert Leeson
- Unusual Day by Sandi Toksvig

#### Year 4:

- The Great Elephant chase by Gillian Cross
- The Lottie Project by Jacqueline Wilson

#### Year 5:

- Holes by Louis Sachar
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid Collection by Jeff Kinney

#### Year 6:

- The Switchers Trilogy by Kate Thompson
- The Young Bond Books by Charlie Higson

### TERM DATES:

**Term Three:** Monday 7th January - Friday 15th February

**Term Four:** Monday 25th February - Friday 5th April (3.15pm finish)

**Term Five:** Tuesday 23rd April - Friday 24th May

**Term Six:** Monday 3rd June - Tuesday 23rd July

**INSET DAYS - children do not attend school**

Friday 5th April

Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd July

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Monday 11th Feb - Friday 15th Feb - Year 5 PGL**

**Friday 7th March - World Book Day**

