



Carrant Brook Junior School Newsletter

Newsletter Date: 17 November 2017

Headteacher's Message:

Dear Parents/Guardians

We are very pleased to announce that Carrant Brook raised approximately £190 for Children in Need. Thankyou for your support.

'Dress up with Flair for the Christmas Fayre' has also been a great success today. Thankyou for all your kind donations. The PTFA are looking for volunteers to help with the Christmas Fayre on 8 December, so if you are able to help either with the preparation or on the day itself please let Mrs Millward or Mrs Thomas know in the school office. Thank you.

Kind regards
Mrs Maria Budd

IMPORTANT - CHANGES TO ATTENDANCE POLICY AND LEGAL PROCEEDINGS:

It is our duty to consistently strive to achieve a goal of 100% attendance for all children. It is also our aim that we support all our pupils so they can continue to attend school even though they may be facing challenging personal circumstances. As a school we reward 100% attendance while challenging and supporting pupils whose attendance could be better.

Please read carefully our new policy which went on our website today and has been updated to meet the new legal requirements for attendance. Please be aware that starting on Monday 27 November, 5 days unauthorised holiday in term-time may result in a fine. If your child is absent from school for 1 week, medical evidence may need to be provided, this could be in the form of a doctors appointment slip or prescription label.

In the classroom:

Year 4 Elm - Pupils have thoroughly enjoyed drafting stories of Osiris (God of the Dead).

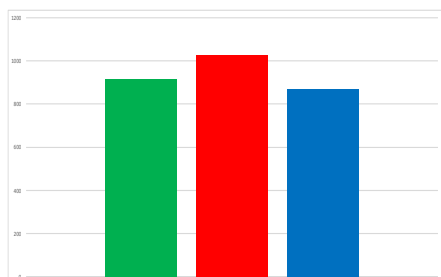
Year 4 Ash - Children have been practicing their best handwriting in English this week. In Maths, they have been tested on 6, 7 and 9 times tables and division. Please continue to practice these with your child at home.

Year 6 - Oak - The children have spent lots of time in the ICT suite this week writing about Why the Aztec Empire fell? In Maths they have been working on fractions. Please continue to practice these with your child at home.

Singing practice has also been high on the agenda this week in preparation for performances on 11 and 12 December.

House Points:

Which house is in the lead so far?



Congratulations!

1st place - Ruby

2nd place - Emerald

3rd place - Sapphire

E-SAFETY

We all know that children are using technology and exploring the online world from a younger age. At Carrant Brook we are working hard on educating our children on how to keep themselves safe online.

Carrant Brook Junior School uses the Thinkuknow education programme to help your child learn about staying safe online. The Website provides interactive activities for children of all ages, clear information and guidance for parents & carers and educational materials for schools.

Thinkuknow are developing a new resource to help build young children's resilience online and give them the skills to explore all the digital world has to offer safely.

In order to gather a comprehensive picture of the online behaviour of 4-7 year olds they would like the help of Parents/Carers of 4-7 year olds in completing this survey. If you have a child of this age at home we would like to encourage you to support their work by filling out the survey online. You can find it on the Thinkuknow website - www.thinkuknow.co.uk



Commendations:

Congratulations to this week's Gold Book Award winners.



Congratulations also to Elm who won this week's attendance with 98.6%



Reading Challenge:

Congratulations to **Year 4** pupils in **Ash** class this week who came **1st with 93% of pupils** reading at least 4 times each week.

2nd - Sycamore - 86% **3rd** - Elm - 79.3% **4th** - Birch - 65% **5th** - Oak - 60% **6th** - Willow - 40%

Film Night

**Thursday 30th Nov
3.30-5.30pm**

**Featuring
The Emoji Movie**

**Tickets £3
Including drink and popcorn**



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Wednesday 29 November - Flu immunisation
Yrs 3 & 4

Thursday 30 November - Film night 3.30-5.30

Friday 1 December - **Year 5** parents welcome to class for Reading Session between 8.50 - 9.15am

Friday 8 December—Year 6 parents welcome to class for Reading Session between 8.50—9.15am

Friday 8 December - Christmas Performance
Dress Rehearsal

Friday 8 December - Christmas Fayre

Monday 11 December 2pm & Tuesday 12 December 6pm - Christmas Performances

TERM DATES:

Term Two: Monday 30 October—Friday 15 December 2017

Term Three: Tuesday 2 January—Friday 9 February 2018

Term Four: Monday 19 February—Thursday 29 March 2018

Term Five: Monday 16 April—Friday 25 May 2018

Term Six: Monday 4 June -Wednesday 25 July

INSET DAYS - Children do not attend school

Monday 30 October 2017

Tuesday 2 January 2018

Thursday 29 March 2018

