

Newsletter

Newsletter Date: 18 November 2022



CARRANT BROOK
Junior School

Headteacher's Message:

Dear Parents/Carers

It was lovely to show a few parents around the School this week. If you have a Year 2 child and were unable to attend the Open Day but would still like to make a visit before the end of term, please feel free to make contact with the School Office.



Ms Carey and myself attended the *Young Minds Matter* Launch yesterday evening in Gloucester. Carrant Brook is now officially a *Young Mind Matters School*. This means that we work closely with the Mental Health Team providing earlier care for children and young people who may be experiencing mild to moderate or early symptoms of mental health problems, which tend to be outside the scope of traditional NHS services. Providing this additional resource to support early intervention, appropriate signposting and delivery of focused, evidence-based interventions will improve collaboration between schools and mental health services and enable earlier and more effective mental health support for children, young people, their families and carers. More information is available on our website under **Pupil Support & Wellbeing**.

If you have any further questions about The Young Minds Matters Programme, please contact Ms Carey who will be happy to chat with you.

Kind Regards, Maria Budd

Deputy Headteacher's Message:

Dear Parents/Carers

Yet another eventful week at Carrant Brook.

Girls Football

What an amazing debut our Girls' Team made at the EPSFA Tournament on Tuesday evening. An inspiring performance from the girls resulted in them winning every game and having to contest a penalty shootout with Tewkesbury C of E. Unfortunately, we just missed out on a place in the cup rounds but we definitely have some potential 'Lionesses' who we are very proud of.

Year 3 & 4 Football

Some of our lower school pupils also represented Carrant Brook at the EPSFA Tournament. After a little bit of a slow start in the driving rain, they lost their first game 4 - 2. However, they definitely stepped things up and winning the next two games 1 - 0 and 4 - 0. A fantastic performance by all who took part. The team will play the rest of the outstanding games in the Spring Term.



'Acting Up!'

Years 4 and 5 have taken part in a drama workshop courtesy of the **Helen O'Grady Drama Academy** who came in to work with our pupils today.

They had a fantastic time with Katie and Sarah and learnt some great skills that will not only support their creative ability but also their self-confidence.



Kind Regards, Tris Evans

FOR SALE - COMPUTER MONITORS £10 each:

Sold as seen—17" monitors with built in speakers . USB port with VGA/DVI cables available if required. These monitors are no longer required by the school, due to recently upgrading our equipment. Any monies raised from this will be reinvested in maintaining our equipment. Dell 17" Monitor: Model AX510, Input 12v Manufactured by Zylux



PLEASE SEE MS EVANS OR MRS BUDD if interested.

CHILDREN IN NEED 2022

Thank you all for support! The School Council are very pleased with the response to the toy sale they held which raised £43. The 'sea of yellow' which arrived at school this morning raised an amazing £166. Thank you to everyone who donated. More photos of today will be posted on the website.



Mrs Liddiard and two of School Council with the final items. on sale

In School this week:

In Science, **Year 3** were finding out whether taller people could jump and throw further than smaller people.



Year 5 - We conducted experiments to see how water changed between its different states as well as trying to learn the names of the processes.



Year 6 have been creating dances around the theme of 'Pyramids' in their dance lessons.



In RSHE this week, the **Year 4** were discussing the reasons why one person might bully another, why bullying might be difficult to spot and they shared their thoughts what to do if they think bullying is going on but they are not sure.

Commendations: Congratulations to our Golden Book Merit Award winners.

Congratulations also to Ash class who won this week's attendance with 98.9%



Christmas Lunch Wednesday 7th December

Roast Turkey served with chipolata sausages & stuffing balls **or**

Christmas Vegetable Wellington

both served with Crispy Roast Potatoes, Glazed Carrots & Peas

Christmas Cookie.

Please book direct on ParentPay by midnight on Thurs 24 November.

Bookings **CANNOT** be accepted after this date.



Reading Challenge: Congratulations to pupils in Sycamore & Birch class this week who all came **1st with 100% of pupils** reading at least 4 times each week.

2nd - Elm 96% **3rd** - Willow 95% **4th** - Beech 94.4% **5th** - Ash 88%

Please can you support us in encouraging your child to read at least 4 times per week & ensure that they bring their signed Reading Records into school. Thank you.

A Big Thank you to CGT



Angharad, Managing Director of CGT Lettings has been raising money to purchase computer equipment for schools by

running a 10k marathon.

It was lovely meet Angharad who joined our assembly this afternoon and kindly donated two tablets to the School.



Term Dates:

Term Two: Mon 31 Oct - Fri 16 Dec

Term Three: Tues 3 Jan - Fri 17 Feb

Term Four: Mon 27 Feb - Fri 31 March

Term Five: Mon 17 April - Fri 26 May

Term Six: Mon 5 Jun - Tues 25 Jul

INSET DAYS - children do not attend school

Tuesday 3 January

Friday 26 May

Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th July

BANK HOLIDAYS - children do not attend school

Monday 1 May

Dates for your Diary:

Tuesday 6 December - Year 3/4 disco 4.15-6pm

Wednesday 7 December - Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day (*linked to non-school uniform—Chocolate donations*)

Wednesday 7 December - Year 5/6 disco 4.45-6.30pm

Monday 12 December - Chocolate Tombola Day

Tuesday 13 December - Christmas Performance (*Letters distributed on Monday 21 November*)

Thursday 15 December - Raffle

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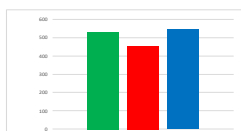
House Points: Congratulations!

Which house is in the lead so far this term?

1st place - Sapphire

2nd place - Emerald

3rd place - Ruby

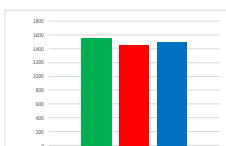


Which house is in the lead so far overall?

1st place - Emerald

2nd place - Sapphire

3rd place - Ruby



Holiday Free School Meal Voucher Scheme

– all you need to know for the winter holiday period 2022

For the winter holiday period, the holiday free school meal voucher scheme will be distributing two weeks of vouchers for every eligible child signed up to the scheme.

Each eligible child will receive a total of £30 for the two-week holiday.

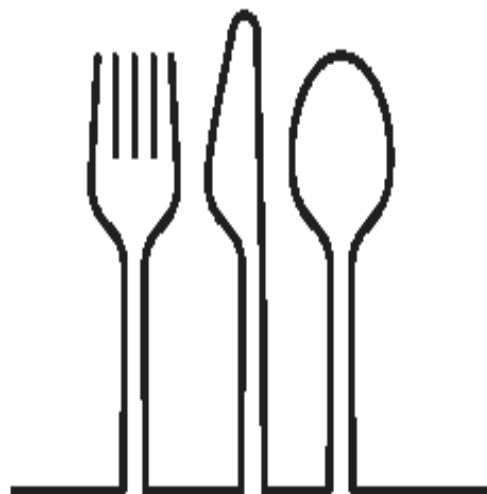
Your child is eligible if they meet all of the following criteria:

- Your child attends a school in Gloucestershire
- Your child is in reception to year 11
- Your child is eligible for benefits related, pupil premium free school meals*
We confirm this by checking our term-time free school meal register so make sure you are registered. You can register by [clicking here](#).

*Please note this does not include infant free school meals available to all children in reception to year 2.

What you can do to make sure you receive your voucher first time:

On your email inbox settings, add the email selectcode@select-your-reward.co.uk to your safe sender list so that the voucher does not end up in your junk/spam



If you haven't already applied to the Holiday Free School Meal (FSM) voucher scheme, you can register by visiting our [application page](#).

Applications for the Holiday FSM voucher scheme close at midday on the 6 December.

Vouchers for the winter period will be distributed on the 13 December

If you have not received your voucher by 14 December, please email us at childrensfund@gloucestershire.gov.uk for the voucher email to be re-sent.



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