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CARLTON MINIOTT PRIMARY ACADEMY

Dates for your diary 2021

- 20th September - After School Clubs begin
- 23rd September - KS1 Thirsk Area Fun Run
- 27th September - Football Match at Topcliffe
- 29th September - Harvest Festival
- 30th September - Dodge-ball Competition
- 1st October - School Photographer
- 5th October - Yrs 3/4 Trip to Thirsk
- 7th October - KS2 Cross Country / Thirsk School Open Evening for Year 6 Parents/Pupils
- 11th October - Class 4 Cake Stall
- 11th/12th October - Virtual Parents' Check-In
- 13th October - Football Competition at South Kilvington
- 14th October - Flu Jabs in School / Football Competition / FOS Disco
- 18th October - Reception Landing Day

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Welcome Back

Welcome back to the new term. We have had a lot to get used to with the removal of bubbles and the re-introduction of communal activities such as lunchtimes and assemblies. The children are coping really well with this change and we are really pleased with how they have returned to school.



YEAR 1 - LAUNCH DAY 'Not All Superheroes Wear Capes'



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Dates for your diary 2021—continued

- 18th October - Reception Landing Day
- 19th October - Open Evening for Parents of Children starting in September 2022
- 20th October - Yrs 5/6 Trip to the Farne Islands
- 21st October - Girls Football Competition
- 22nd October - School Closes for Half-Term
- 1st November - School Re-opens

Improving Communications

We are trying to improve our communications with you by moving to Class Facebook pages from Twitter. To do this we need to get you set up. Once we have done this we will lock down the Facebook page so only those in the group will see. This group is for parents/carers of children only. Please only sign up if you are a parent/carer of a child in this class.

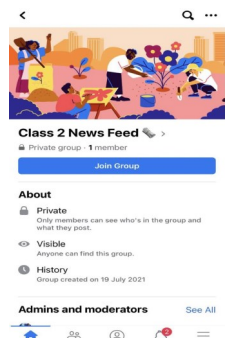
What we need you to do is:-



- 1) Open Facebook app and search for 'Class *'your child's class number'* at Carlton Miniott Primary Academy'.



get updates.



- 2) 'Like' the Page to



- 3) Click 'Visit Group' or look under the 'Groups' tab for the 'Class ... News Feed' and click 'Join Group'.

Please will you do this by Friday 24th September. Thank you

The group will be private so we can monitor who is able to see the content and make it secure for families. All our learning updates will be shared on the private group/news feed area.

We need to ensure the safeguarding of our children so please do not share anything the teachers post on this site.

Going forward:-

Class Web Pages will contain organisational information for the class.

Marvellous Me will be used for quick communication from the teacher.



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After School Clubs

These start from Monday and run between 3.30 and 4.15pm. Please collect your child from the KS2 playground after these clubs.

Text messages will be sent out this afternoon to confirm if your child has been successful in joining the Clubs they have applied for. As we were oversubscribed in a lot of the Clubs being offered, we are sorry that some children have been unsuccessful this time and you will also be advised of this later this afternoon.

Covid

Many of the restrictions have been lifted. However, we are still taking care to limit the spread of Covid. Children will still be regularly washing their hands and we will still be doing extra cleaning in school. We will also be limiting visitors into school where we can. We will be trialing Landing Days once again with Class R and KS1 where you will be able to come into school and see what the children are doing.

Class R - 18th October at 9am
Class 1 - 22nd October 2.45pm
Class 2 - 22nd October at 2.45pm

I would just like to clarify the new guidance we are following as it is quite different from our procedures last year.

- If a child shows Covid symptoms they must take a PCR Test to confirm if they have Covid. Children with symptoms must stay off school until the PCR result is confirmed.
- If the PCR test is positive the child must isolate for 10 days. If the PCR Test is negative they can return to school.
- Any brothers or sisters should take a Lateral Flow Test each day and if it is negative they may attend school.
- If parents/carers test positive for Covid then they must self-isolate. Your children can take a Lateral Flow Test every morning and if negative they can attend school. Please note, they must not be brought to school by the parent/carer with Covid.
- It is now not the responsibility of the school to Track and Trace. This will be done by the NHS Track and Trace Service. Therefore we will not be informing you of any cases in your child's class and your child will not need to self-isolate if another child has tested positive. However, if we have an outbreak in a particular class, we will follow instructions from Public Health England and more restrictions may apply.



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SENCO

The Trust have developed a new strategy for Special Educational Needs across the Trust schools. Therefore we have a new SENCO called Mrs Merrifield who will be in school on a Wednesday afternoon.

Parents' Check-In

In the next few weeks we will be sending you information about a Parents' Check-In. This will be on-line and will be a chance for you to find out how your child has settled into school. There will be a full Parents' Evening in December. The virtual check ins will be held on 11th and 12th October.

School Dinners

As you will understand we have got a new kitchen company and a new staff team providing the school lunches. Unfortunately, we have had a few teething problems at the start of the term and I apologise if your child has not received the meal they expected. I have been working with the kitchen Manager to rectify this situation.

We will be reviewing the menu after the first few weeks and making some changes, which I will contact you about.

FOS - News

Friends of School (FOS) is a group of parents and carers who organise fundraising events to support the children's learning. Everyone is welcome to get involved and we're always looking for volunteers to help at events.

We're planning lots of fun fundraising activities for the next school year, including the return of the popular school discos.

The term's Disco will be on Thursday 14 October. Tickets are priced at £4 for Years 1-6, including a free hot dog, drink and crisps. Tickets for Reception children are priced at £2 and will include a drink only. Hot dogs can be purchased separately.

Unfortunately, we won't be able to offer the usual temporary tattoos or face painting this time, due to Covid restrictions, but glow sticks will be available to buy.

Times are:

Reception - 5-5.30pm (parents/carers must stay with their child)

KS1 - 5.45-6.45pm

KS2 - 7.00-8.00pm

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FOS - News continued

Christmas

This year, instead of our usual Christmas cards, we'll be selling tea towels with the children's self-drawn portraits and names on. Priced at £4 each, or three for £10, the tea towels will make a great practical keepsake or gift for family and friends. Look out for more information in the next couple of weeks.

To get involved or find out more about our fundraising activities email fos@carltonminiottacademy.org

More information can be found on the school website:-
www.carltonminiottacademy.org