

Newsletter

Welcome back. Thanks to all who attended our recent Culture Day as part of our Be Proud week. It was amazing to not only see so many of our pupils dressed in traditional dress, colours of their flags or outfits linked to a team or that they partake in but to all of our parents/carers who made the morning even more enjoyable for your children! During the day, the pupils took part in an assembly linked to Cultural Diversity, were able to share stories about their cultures and identities as well as continued to learn about our School value of the term 'Respect'. Pupils continued to learn about what 'Race and Racism' is during PSHE lessons developing our Anti-Racism curriculum learning about diversity and identity.

[Carterhatch Junior School Culture Day 2025](#)

We have lots more great experiences planned for this term – so please read on. Please see our [2025-26 term dates](#).

Secondary school application deadline - 31 October 2025

Thanks to those who were able to attend our recent SATs and secondary school presentation. Applications for secondary schools must be made online at www.eadmissions.org.uk by midnight on 31 October 2025. You will require an email address.

Please continue to refer to the links on our website for further details of [open evenings](#) and the [Secondary Transfer Brochure](#), which contains all the information and guidance you will need to make an application. You may nominate up to six schools in order of preference. Applying for only one school will not improve your chances of getting a place at that school so always make six choices.

[SATs dates and CJS briefing powerpoint](#)

[Secondary Information and briefing powerpoint](#)



Parent/carer Governor Vacancy

There is a vacancy for the role of Parent Governor on our Local Governing Body (LGB). To be a parent/carer member. If you are interested in applying for the role and being involved in making a difference for pupils, please [click this link to](#) access an application pack. **Closing date is Monday 13 October.**

Felix Foodbank in the playground every Wednesday

Just a reminder that we have a free foodbank (e.g. vegetables, fruit) in the playground, every Wednesday from 2.30-3.00pm. Just bring along a bag to collect it.

Class assemblies

These are starting soon and take place on Thursdays 9.00-9.15am. Year 5 Maathai will be the first class on the stage, next Thursday 2 October. Parents/carers from 5 Maathai are welcome to attend. Other class dates please are on the last page of this newsletter.

Year 3 parent/carer meeting – Monday 29 September 9.00–9.45am

Year 3 parent/carers are invited to a meeting to find out about online homework and keeping your child safe.

Year 5 parent/carer meeting – Friday 3 October – 9.00-9.45am

Year 5 parents/carers are invited to a meeting to find out about the four-day school journey to Magdalen Farm next September. If you are unable to attend, please go to our website to see the presentation which will be updated after the meeting. If you would like more information, please talk to Louise Draper in Year 6. A £40.00 deposit received, via Arbor, by mid November 2025 is needed to secure your child's place. Further information will follow.

Parent/carer consultations - Monday 6 October- 3.15-5.30pm and Tuesday 7 October

3.15-6.30pm

These meetings will focus on how your child/ren has/have settled into their new class. Please arrive 5 minutes early if you would like to look at your child/ren's books. **Bookings open today, Friday 26 September on Arbor at 600pm.**

On Monday 7 October, a Local Authority rep leading parenting programmes will be available from 3.00-4.00pm to discuss free courses. Further information is on page 3.

Arbor App

You should have all now downloaded the Arbor App. It's really important that you have this app as this is the way school will communicate with parents and carers. From September 2024 all payments for clubs and trips will be made on Arbor. **If you do not have the Arbor App you will not be able to sign your child up to any of the after school clubs or book parent/carer consultation appointments.**



Black History Month - October

October is Black History Month. Our theme is "Unsung Heroes." Each year group will learn about Black British individuals from different times in history whose important contributions have often been overlooked. By exploring their stories, we aim to celebrate their achievements and ensure their legacies are recognised and valued. Year groups will be studying:

Year 3: Windrush

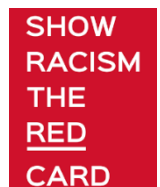
Year 4: Tudors

Year 5: Victorians

Year 6: WWI

Wear Red – Show Racism the Red Card – Friday 17 October

Pupils are asked to Wear Red on to Show Racism the Red Card. There will be lessons about how to fight racism during that day.



On the same day, the charity Book Project's termly free book giveaway will happen. This charity has supplied thousands of free books to the school over the last few years. On behalf of our pupils - THANK YOU BOOK PROJECT!



Year 2 Parent/Carer Meeting - Thursday 27 November, 9.00-10.00am

We would like to invite the parents and carers of the current Year 2 pupils to a meeting at Carterhatch Junior School. We will give a tour and information about applying for a place at our school. We look forward to seeing you then.

Harvest Festival - Food Bank

We will be having a whole school assembly in early October about harvest festival and sharing. We will talk about the role of the foodbank in our local community. Please send donations into their class, in a carrier bag, by **Monday 20 October**.

The food bank currently needs: mixed beans, pasta sauce, tinned fish, tinned fruit, noodles, jam, tinned veg, tinned soups, packet ready meals, sweet and savoury snacks. No fresh items such as bread or milk please.



Any Wellies?

Our outdoor learning days will be happening before half-term and we desperately need more wellies for our pupils to wear when out on the field. Any sizes are welcome; so please feel free to send in any spare wellies that your child/ren have grown out of – we will make good use of them. Just put them in a bag and hand to your class teacher or the school office.



Enfield Online Parenting Programmes

Enfield is once again offering free [SFSC online parenting programmes](#). The start of a new school year can bring fresh challenges, from managing homework and routines, to supporting young people through social pressures, negative behaviours or the challenges of co-parenting. For many parents, these stresses can lead to tension at home, which directly impacts children's wellbeing and ability to learn. The six-week courses are flexible, inclusive, and provide practical strategies to strengthen family relationships and help children thrive both at home and at school; including courses for parents of teenagers.

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Congratulations

Success Certificates

Congratulations! The pupils awarded success certificates since our last newsletter are:

Year 3: Halifatu, Ali, Sia, Leana

Year 4: Cemre, Talha, Taiwo, Victor, Maryama, Shaylen

Year 5: Alice, Zyaan, Alfie-John, Luiza, Lavin, Aylin

Year 6: Sirac, Elson, Airanur, Jacob, Daniella, Catalin

Congratulations for Top Attendance

2 September 3Derbyshire 97.5%

8 September 3Derbyshire 97.8%

15 September 6Vaughan 99.3%

23 September

Dates for your Diary

29 September	9.00-9.45	Year 3 parent/carer meeting – homework and keeping safe
2 October	9.00-9.15	Year 5 Maathai class assembly – parents/carers welcome
3 October	9.00-9.45	Year 5 parent/carer meeting – September 2026 residential
6 October	3.15-5.30	Parent/carer consultations
7 October	3.15-6.30	Parent/carer consultations
16 October	9.00-9.15	Year 4 Ramirez class assembly – parents/carers welcome
17 October		Wear Red – Show Racism the Red Card
23 October	9.00-9.15	Year 5 Thunberg class assembly – parents/carers welcome
27 October-31 October		Half term – school closed
13 November	9.00-9.15	Year 4 Beard class assembly – parents/carers welcome
20 November	9.00-9.15	Year 5 Attenborough class assembly – parents/carers welcome
27 November	9.00-10.00	Year 2 parent/carer meeting and tours
4 December	9.00-9.15	Year 4 Thunberg class assembly – parents/carers welcome