



Carr Junior School

AIM HIGH, SHINE BRIGHT!

W/C 21ST APRIL 2025 WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



A Message from our Principal

Hello!

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school this week after their Easter break. We have been really impressed with how smartly they are presented in their uniforms and their attitudes to learning for the start of the Summer term. This is always such a busy term so I will be sure to keep you updated via this newsletter of all of our Summer activities.

In this week's newsletter you will find information about:

- Staffing news
- Y6 London Visit
- Trust Samba band opportunity
- Become a Trustee
- PE Kit timetable
- Reminders about coats, make-up, water in water bottles and contacting the school office

I wish you all a weekend full of sunshine!

Miss Kerr

Tweet of the Week!



Carr Junior School @CarrJuniorYork · Apr 22

Year 5 with an introduction to animation this afternoon! [#carrstars](#)
[#carrcomputing](#) [#creative](#)



Staffing news

We just wanted to let you know that Mr Gray will be leaving Carr Junior at the end of the Summer term this year. Mr Gray is moving on to an exciting new opportunity at Scarcroft Primary School. We will be very sad to see Mr Gray go (especially in his role as DJ Gray!) but wish him all the success and happiness in his new role. It is great that he will be staying within our family of schools at Scarcroft.

Y6 London Visit

This week you will have received a letter to let you know which date your child will be going to London on. In our original correspondence we had provisionally set dates and assigned classes to these. In finalising our arrangements and bookings we have had to make a couple of changes so the date may have changed for your child. Please use the letters from this week as their finalised date. A few parents have been in touch with us regarding the changes of dates. Where there are issues which directly affect your child being able to go, we will do our best to accommodate so please get in touch. Thank you.

School and Home working together!

- Please be aware when contacting the school office at the end of the school day that it is extremely busy. This means that we aren't always able to answer phone calls immediately as we are seeing children out, sorting after school clubs / provisions and dealing with parent queries. If parents / carers need a message passing to their children, please endeavour to contact us by 3pm so that we have time to get the message to classes. We understand that there will be exceptions and emergencies where this can't be done but please could we try this in most cases. Thank you.
- We have noticed an increasing amount of children wearing make-up, false eyelashes and false nails to school. Please note that these are not part of our school uniform and should not be worn.
- Please make sure children are bringing a coat to school. The children will need their coats to be able to play outside as it continues to get colder and wetter. Thanks.
- We ask that children only bring water in the water bottles they keep in their classrooms. They are allowed to bring juice to have with a packed lunch but not to have in their classrooms.

Thank you in advance for your support. I believe that families and schools that work together, succeed together, and so I am looking forward to the year ahead.

Trustee Information

Please see the letter which was sent out, giving information on how you can become a Trustee and find out more about the role.

PE Timetable for the Week

Timetable for week 2

Monday 28th April	Tuesday 29th April	Wednesday 30th April	Thursday 1st May	Friday 2nd May
Y3 PE	4K extra PE session	Y6 PE	Sparks Class PE	Y4 PE
Y4 PE	3A extra PE session		Y3 PE	Y5 PE
5H - Forest School	3H extra PE session			
	Y5 PE			
	6J & 6MW PE			
	Lunch time mile for all years			



WEDNESDAY
7TH MAY

Spring Break CAKE SALE



We'd love our Carr Stars to get baking and bring their delicious creations to the School Office on the morning of the Cake Sale. Pupils will be able to purchase the sweet treats at morning break.

Inhalers

Please could any parents of children needing inhalers, please ensure the inhalers are being sent into school. We require an inhaler which can be kept with your child in their classroom so that it is on hand quickly in case it is needed. Children are able to take these inhalers with them to PE lessons and take them after break times etc. Please ensure you send one to school which can be left here and also please can you make sure that they are in date. Thank you for your support with this important matter.

Amazon Wishlist

We are having a huge focus on Reading this year and we would like to update the books on our bookshelves. We would like to fill them with current reads and books children have chosen. We have created an Amazon Wishlist full of books classes have chosen that they would like to see on their bookshelf. If you would like to, or know of anyone or businesses who would like to buy us a book here is the link. <https://amzn.eu/9JJuOKR> Your support is greatly appreciated!

Trust Samba for Pride!

We are very excited to be preparing our Trust Samba Band in preparation for the York Pride Parade on **Saturday 7th June** and we would like to invite any interested pupils from our Trust, from **Year 4 upwards**, to join us. Any interested percussion players do not need experience of drumming and will learn how to play the samba rhythms in our rehearsals.

A generous donation by Pavers Foundation means we are able to purchase more instruments, and this year we will be adding a brass / wind section.

If your child would like to attend they will need to be available for the parade on 7th June and for **weekly rehearsals** in the lead up. The rehearsals will be at **Knavesmire Primary School** in the school hall on **Thursdays 5-6pm** from 24th April to 5th June (6 sessions) with Mrs Hardy, music teacher at Knavesmire. Any brass or wind players are very welcome and will need to be able to play at a minimum of **Grade 3** level. Further information on the Pride Parade will be sent to you next half term. If your child wishes to join us please complete this form by **9am Thursday 24th April**:

[Google Form](#)

Dates for your diaries!

Date/s	Event	Year groups
Thursday 1st May	York University researchers in 3A	3A
Friday 2nd May	Pedestrian training for Y3 (awaiting confirmation)	Y3
	Music workshop	Y3
Tuesday 6th May	Sparks class farm visit	Sparks
Wednesday 7th May	Spring break Cake Sale	All
Friday 9th May	Y4 Activity Evening	Y4
Monday 12th May - Thursday 15th May	SATs Week for Y6 - children will be able to come in early for their breakfast each day before tests	Y6
Tuesday 20th May	Next Y6 transition event with York High School 'Transition Detectives'	Y6 pupils going to York High
Wednesday 21st May	Y6 London Visit 1	Half of Y6
Friday 23rd May	York University researchers in 3A	3A
Friday 23rd May 3.15pm	School closes for half term	All

Health & Safety and Safeguarding

- If you would like to contact our Pastoral / Family Lead, Miss Daniella Harrison, please select Option 3 to be directed to the correct office.
- Please take care and be considerate of residents when parking cars at drop off and pick up time

Thank you

Attendance

3A - 96.25%
3H - 97.50%
4CG - 99.14%
4K - 93.55%
5H - 92.50%
5M - 96.98%
6F - 92.86%
6J - 93.75%
6MW - 99.04%



Attend to Achieve!

Attendance at school is crucial to success. Attending school, on time, is the most important action children take in order to make excellent progress and achieve their full potential.

Attendance matters and every day counts. Our school target for attendance is 96%. If you need to report an absence or need support with your child's attendance, please contact our school office. We have an Attendance Officer (Miss Annetts) in our admin team and a Pastoral Lead (Miss Harrison) who can support you with your concerns alongside the class teachers.

There is a new scheme called Pharmacy First which allows parents to take children to the pharmacy with some illnesses rather than booking or waiting for an appointment at the GP. Please let us know if you make use of this service and if it was useful.



SPARKS - ALEX W

3A - DARCY M

3H - FINLEY T

4CG - EDITH H

4K - OLLIE P

5H - PIPPA L

5M - ABIGAIL B

6F - NANCY W

6J - AMELIA S

6MW - GEORGE W

SPARKS - KAYDEN D

3A - LACEY E

3H - NEVE S-F

4CG - TEDDY M

4K - ESME C

5H - COURTNEY C

5M - LYDIA B

6F - THOMAS D

6J - JACK M

6MW - AMBER T



3A SAMUEL S

3A FRANKIE P

3H JACK D

4K ELSIE G

5M JOHN Q

6F THOMAS D

6F ENID H

6MW LILLY S

Site Assistant

Permanent

10 hours per week, 2 hours per evening between 4.30pm and 7pm (times dependent on lettings), Monday to Friday

52 weeks

Grade 4 Level 1-4 (£24,335 to £25,503 full time equivalent)

Actual annual salary £6,577.03 to £6,892.70

Closing date: midnight on Sunday 11 May 2025

Interview date: to be confirmed

Start date: As soon as possible

Carr Junior School is seeking an enthusiastic, highly motivated and caring Site Assistant to join our school team as soon as possible. The successful candidate will be responsible for ensuring that the school buildings and grounds are safe, secure and in proper working order, maintaining a safe working environment for all. The school was built in 1949 and as well as classrooms, a swimming pool, the main hall and office space within the school, we have a lot of space around the school, consisting of two concrete play areas and a large school field.

You will have excellent time management and organisational skills, with the ability to work as both part of a dedicated team and independently. You must be committed to providing the best environment for our children to learn in.

In return, we can offer a supportive working environment, with colleagues who care deeply, are experts in their fields and who are passionate about what they do. We also offer a range of staff benefits, and further details regarding our benefits and information about our Trust can be found on our website.

Further details about the school are available on the school website - www.carrjunior.co.uk.

An application form, job description and person specification are available from the Trust website <https://excellearningtrust.org.uk/careers/>

Please submit completed forms to recruitment@southbanktrust.co.uk for the attention of Mrs V Kerr, Headteacher.

Excel Learning Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. All appointments are made in accordance with safer recruitment practices and the statutory guidance in Keeping Children Safe in Education. Online checks will be carried out on all shortlisted candidates, and all appointments are subject to an enhanced DBS check, satisfactory references and checks regarding suitability to work with children.

Excel Learning Trust reserves the right to close advertisements early. Advertisements will therefore close at midnight either on the advertised closing date, or at the point the decision has been taken to close the advertisement early. Applicants will be invited for interview once suitable applications are received, therefore early applications are strongly encouraged and advised.



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JOIN US FOR THE 25/26 SEASON

FROM 21ST APRIL - 1ST SEPTEMBER

Millthorpe School, York

- Classes for ages 5-17 Monday - Friday
- Recreational Cheerleading, Competitive Cheerleading Teams, Beginner-Advanced Tumbling and Cheerleading, Dance & Tumble for athletes with ASD, ADHD and other Learning Difficulties
- Contact us for more information on days, times and prices

 vikingscheerkids@gmail.com
 vikingscheeru18s
 Vikings Cheerleading U18's

Inclusive to everyone. A place for everyone. A family for everyone



Inspire, Challenge, Enrich

YEAR 3 AND 4 FREE WORKSHOPS

21st May 2025 4:30pm to 6:00pm at Bootham Junior School.

Choose from the below workshops:

- Languages Café
- Cricket – bowling, batting and fielding
- STEM: Squiggling and Fizzing
- Campfire Crafts and Cooking
- Code Breaking
- Wonderful Watercolours
- Computer Science
- Body Beats; Robot Rhythms.

If you are interested, please scan the QR to register your child. If you would like more information please email jessica.birch@boothamschool.com



CIRCUS SKILLS CLUB

Come and learn circus skills such as juggling, diabolo, poi, plate spinning, flowersticks and slacklining!

2nd Spring + 1st Summer Half Term Tuesday after-school for all Years, £6/session + bursaries for low income families

Time: 15:15-16:15 main hall
Dates: 25th February - 1st April
 29th April - 20th May

Bookings are per half term - please sign up at <https://www.clubenrolment.com/CSY>
 (Club location = "Carr Juniors")