

Carnforth Community Primary School



"Believe and Achieve"

Information Booklet
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Welcome to Our School

School Aims

At our School, we strive to provide a happy, safe and caring environment for each and every child and where all learners have the opportunity to recognise and achieve their potential through a wide variety of rich learning opportunities. We believe that every child is special. They have their own skills and talents, which we must identify and celebrate, but also areas that we need to support them with and develop.

At Carnforth Community Primary School we aim to:

- See children treating everyone, including themselves, with respect and recognise and support their individuality.
- Identify, nurture and foster the skills, abilities and talents of all.
- Provide a wide range of enriched learning opportunities with an emphasis on the growth and the development of the whole person, social, spiritual, emotional, physical, cultural, intellectual and moral.
- Encourage and instil a curiosity and enthusiasm for lifelong learning, by developing a strong sense of ambition, resilience, independence and desire to achieve.
- Ensure the learning process is a partnership between families, community and school.

This booklet contains some of the information you and your child might want to know about school life at Carnforth Community Primary School.

School Values

As a school we follow these three key rules:



Be Safe



Be Ready



Be Respectful

Our School Values are those which, as a community, we think are the most important to make a positive contribution to our community and to our lives.

The six values that we believe are the most important for us, and that are integral to our school life and curriculum are:

RESPECT HONESTY KINDNESS
FRIENDSHIP SELF-BELIEF RESPONSIBILITY



Meet the Team

Leadership Team



Mrs Hudd
Headteacher
DSL; SENCO



Miss Rae
Inclusion Lead
(Maternity Leave)



Miss Carbert
Curriculum Lead
DSL

Teaching Staff



Mrs Gleave
Squirrel Class



Miss Conway
Kingfisher Class



Mr Ryder
Otter Class



Mrs Atkinson
Rabbit Class



Mrs Taylor
Hedgehog Class



Mrs Shuttleworth
Owl Class

Support Staff



Mrs Winterburn
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Crayston
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Molloy
PPA



Mrs Greenland
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Pidcock
Teaching Assistant



Mrs White
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Hendra
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Grey
Teaching Assistant

Awaiting Image

Ms Sweeney
Teaching Assistant

Awaiting Image



Ms Wheatley
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Marriner
School Bursar

Mr Carey
Site Manager

Partnership with Parents

The relationship between home and school is a key part in your child's happiness and successful learning at school. We aim to create a partnership where we can all learn and thrive together, aiming for the highest of standards and making our school a place to be really proud of.

We understand that you are your child's first educator and you are the people that know your child the best, therefore we value any input, opinions and information you can provide us with. To make this an easy process we have lots of opportunities for you to communicate with us and for us to share your child's school learning and progress with you.

Your child will have a home/school communication book which can be used to record reading etc.



As well as writing in a communication book we also use Class Dojo – a web-based app which allows you to see praise points, photos and information about what is going on in school.

Parents are able to use Class Dojo to message their child's class teacher e.g. if your child is going home with somebody new or they have a medical appointment.

Home Learning is also a vital part of our partnership as this allows you to be a part of your child's continuing learning journey. We ensure that any home learning supports your child's learning in school and so benefits their progress. Each half term you will be sent a Home Learning menu. The main expectation is that your child reads at home at least three times per week.



Parents are invited into school for many events during the year including:

- Christmas performances
- Sporting events including sports day
- Class assemblies
- Learning workshops
- A variety of in class sessions



We believe communication is key to maintaining a strong relationship. We operate a 'meet and greet' policy where we encourage you to share any messages and information you may have. A member of staff is available every day on the school gate from 8:30am every day and appointments at other times can be arranged if required, alternatively you can arrange to speak to a member of staff over the phone if you are unable to get to school.

Routines

School opens at 8:30am. We use a 'meet and greet' system in a morning where children can arrive any time between 8:30am and 8:45am. Teachers will be in their classrooms from 8.30am, ready to welcome children for the start of their day. We find this supports parents who need to dash by having the quicker and earlier drop off time and also allows children to settle into class in a more relaxed manner. We ask that parents encourage children to come into school as independently as possible from the start.

School finishes at 3.00pm in KS1 and 3:05pm in KS2. If your child is being collected by somebody other than the adults on their safeguarding form then a message will need to be passed onto staff either via Class Dojo, or a message to Mrs Marriner in the office. This is to ensure that the children remain safe.

Your child will receive two hours of PE each week; they should have their PE kit in school i.e. PE shorts and PE T-shirt. They may wish to wear their hoodie and joggers that day for ease of changing.

In Reception and KS1 your child will have snack every morning consisting of a piece of fruit and milk or water. Water is available throughout the day in your child's school water bottle, these remain in school at all times. Older children can bring their own healthy snack for break time. All children are able to buy 'tuck' from the kitchen.

Children have an hour for their lunch including a playtime from 12pm. Delicious meals are cooked in the school kitchen and there is always plenty of choice. The menus will be sent home each time they are changed. Children can choose which meal they would like on the day, however it is useful if you have had a look at the choices with them.

What Your Child Needs in School

- A suitable coat that isn't too precious as it may get dirty or wet
- Wellies for our outdoor learning
- Hats, scarves and gloves in the cold weather
- Sun hats in the sunny weather (sun cream is to be applied at home before school.)
- If your child has asthma they must have an inhaler in school at all times
- Water Bottle
- Book bags with reading book, white reading journal and communication book (these need to be in school daily!)
- Homework to be returned to school on the return date or earlier



Our Classes

Our classes are all named after animals and birds that you may find in our local area.



Squirrels – Nursery and Reception

Kingfishers – Year 1 and Year 2

Otters – Year 3 and Year 4

Owls – Year 5 and Year 6

We also have two classes which are for Local Authority run SEND Classes. These classes have up to 8 children in and run with a high staff ratio to provide more individualised learning.

They are called Hedgehogs and Rabbits.



Uniform

At Carnforth Community we have options for uniform so that the children are as comfortable as they can be for their learning. While we give the children a choice, we also expect them to look smart and tidy.

Tops



White Polo Shirt



PE Top



School Hoodie



School Cardigan



School Sweatshirt

Bottoms



Grey School Trousers



Grey school skirt



Grey school shorts



Grey School Pinafore Dress



Blue Summer Dress



Navy Jogging Bottoms



Navy PE Shorts

Shoes



Black School Shoes



Black School Shoes



Plain black trainers

All clothing should be marked with your child's name.



Community Links

Community Links & Groups

As a community school we consider community involvement to be a crucial part of our school life and ethos. We encourage the children to think about their school community, local community and global community and what their place and responsibility is within all of these.



Kiddiwinks



For Toddlers & Preschool
Children

Come and join in the fun!

-  Kids play
-  Tea & Coffee & Snacks
-  Chat

Every Thursday
9.00am – 10.30am

Free of charge!

Nursery

Children can join our Nursery from the term after they turn 3 years old. We have sessions each day from 8:30 – 11:30am and 12:00 – 3:00pm. The children join the class with our Reception children. For a booking form please contact the school office or the school website.



If there is anything that is not covered in this booklet or has not been explained clearly to you please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Thank you,

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