



## Parent Weekly Newsletter

Summer Term 2

5th June 2023

What's going on behind the  
scenes at Carcroft School?



## Dates for the forthcoming week

### Summer 2 Diary Dates

<b>What?</b>	<b>When?</b>	<b>Which year groups/crews?</b>
Multiplication Checks for Y4 pupils begin (2 week window)	Monday 5th June ( 2 weeks)	Y4
Dental Survey	Tuesday 6th June	Y6
Y5/6 Rounders Tournament	Wednesday 7th June	Y5/6
First Aid Training for all pupils (age appropriate)	Friday 9th June	Whole School
Swimming (Y5 & Y6 catch up)	Friday 9th June	Y5 and some Y6



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### Key Messages from the Admin/Business Team

#### [April Lunch Menu 2023](#)

Father's day breakfast Mon 19th - Thurs 22nd June, see ParentPay for more details.



## Sharing our Stories as we go...

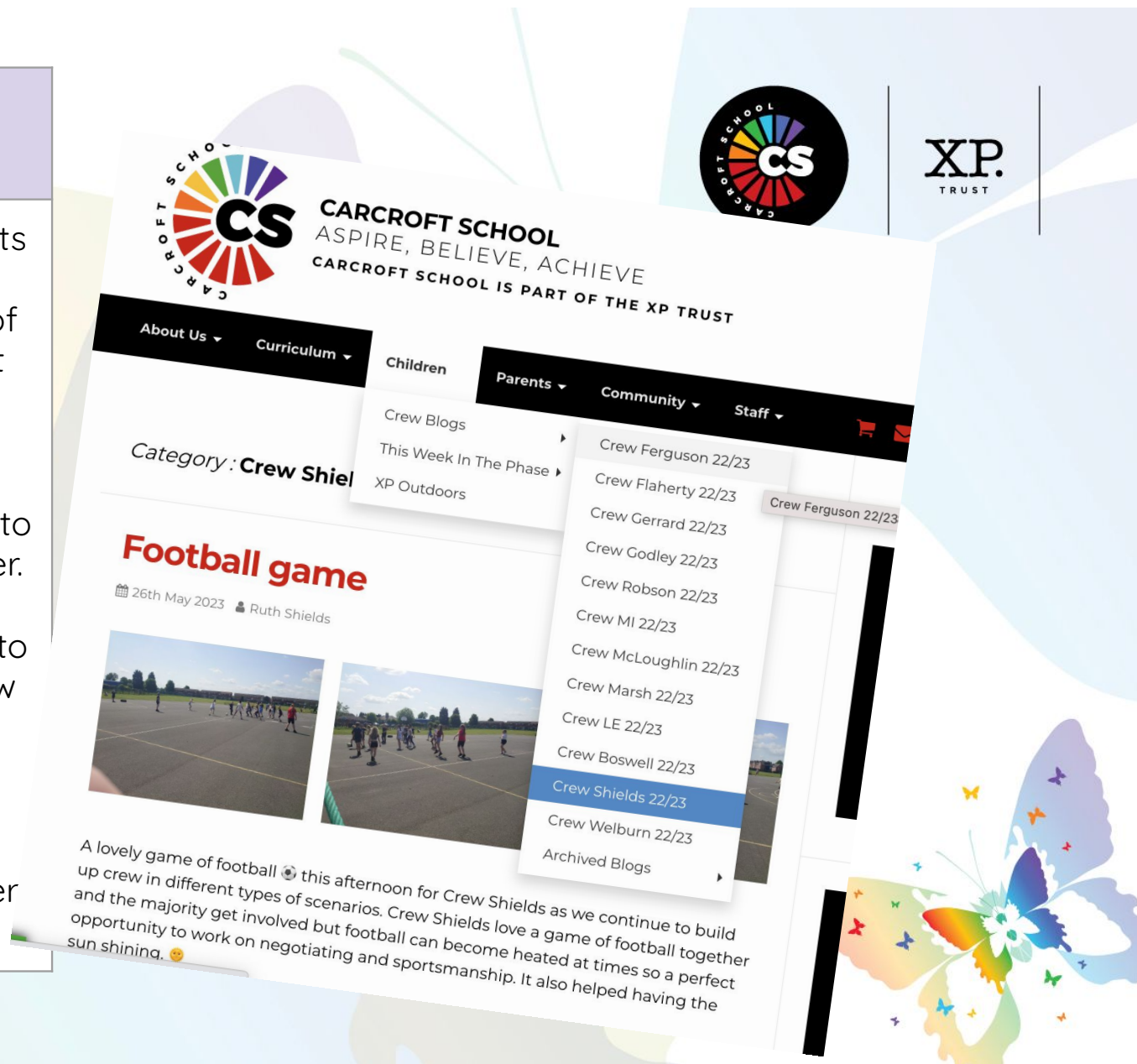
We understand that life gets busy so parents do not always get the chance to visit our website but we want to share with you all of the amazing stuff we get up to at Carcroft School; we call this sharing our stories.

In order to share our stories, as well as blogging on our website, we are also going to provide snapshots via our weekly newsletter.

However, if you wish to see more of what your child gets up to whilst at school, head to our website using this link and head to crew blogs and select your child's crew.

[Website link](#)

Apologies, some need updating from earlier this year.





## Celebrating the Best Version of You!

At Carcroft School and across the XP Trust we want our children to leave us being the best version of themselves. In order to support our pupils to achieve this, we focus on three key things (3 dimensions):

1. Character Growth
2. Beautiful Work
3. Academic Success

Each week we will showcase how this is done!



## Character Growth (Crew)

### Keeping ourselves and our bodies healthy 🛁🧼🧽🪥🦷

📅 19th May 2023 👤 Laura Godley

Today we explored what it means to 'keep clean'. We had some fantastic discussions around how often our crew brush their teeth and have a bath or take a shower. We discovered some interesting facts 🦠 and finished off our crew discussion with a good old game of bingo!



## Character Growth (Crew)

During Summer Term 2, we are really focussing in on our HoWL **'Be Kind'**.

At Carcroft School, as well as expecting our pupils to work hard in order to get smart, we expect pupils to be kind to one another. We understand that not everyone is going to be 'friends' with everyone, however, we expect everyone to be kind and show respect towards one another within our school community and this is a non- negotiable.

We have noticed during the last few months during conversations with parents that at times, children are being unkind towards one another and this is being referred to as 'being bullied'.

Bullying is defined below.

### What is bullying?

Bullying is behaviour that hurts someone else. It includes name calling, hitting, pushing, spreading rumours, threatening or undermining someone.

It can happen anywhere – at school, at home or online. It's usually repeated over a long period of time and can hurt a child both physically and emotionally.



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IF YOU  
CAN'T SAY  
SOMETHING  
NICE 😊  
DON'T SAY  
NOTHING  
AT ALL



## Character Growth (Crew)

At Carcroft School, we take any concerns around bullying seriously and appreciate it when parents share their concerns with us so that these can be looked into.

We have found over recent months that when a concern has been raised that often the concerns are linked to a child being **unkind** towards someone else and when addressed the child has not meant to cause harm to others and it has not been over a period of time. However, this is still not okay and we need to address unkind behaviour.

Therefore, this term, we are going to spend time within our crew sessions talking about how we treat one another at our school and that we do not tolerate unkind behaviour. Mrs Atherton is also going to lead some key stage community meetings to talk about how we treat one another both in and out of school.

If you ever feel that your child is being subject to unkind actions/ or you believe they are being bullied, please do not hesitate to raise this with your Child's Teacher. If you feel that this is still ongoing please then speak with your child's Phase Leader.

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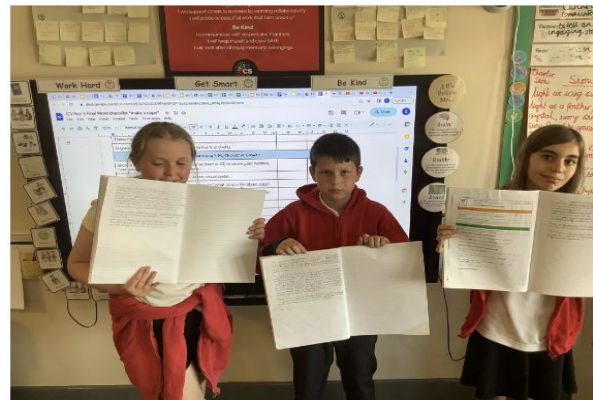
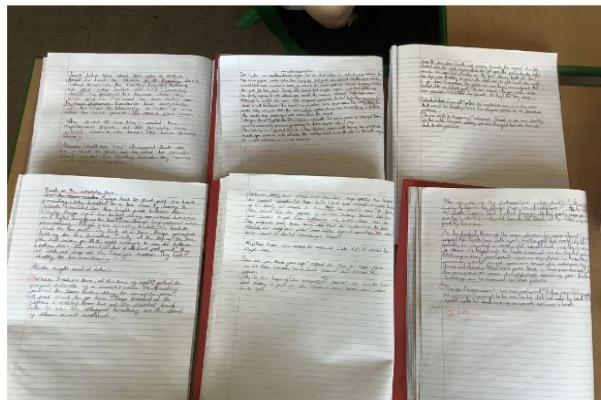
## Beautiful Work Celebration with Mrs McClare (Our Handwriting and Spelling Lead)

These pupils have been selected for producing beautiful work this week. We are really focussing on consistent presentation in every piece of work.

### Applying speech in MI

📅 16th May 2023 👤 Stacey McClare

Today we wrote our next plot point as well as using the dialogue we built in our grammar lesson yesterday. Such resilience today in MI, we all ensured we advanced the action and we tried to describe the character a little more. Really great work today 😊



## Academic Success

We aspire for our pupils to leave us achieving the best they can academically across the curriculum.



### Active maths lesson

📅 18th May 2023 👤 Lauren Marsh

Today, in Crew Marsh we started learning about fractions and finding halves. I was very impressed with how well the crew did!



### Dividing by 100 in Crew Thompson

📅 15th May 2023 👤 Kate Thompson

Today we have learnt how to divide by 100. We used the place value grids to help us move 2 places to the right when dividing our number by 100.





## Academic Success- READING

We aspire for our pupils to read widely and develop a love of reading across the curriculum.

### Reading

📅 26th May 2023 👤 Eleanor Pashley

Today, in Crew Pashley, Brianna asked if she could read Roald Dahl's *The Witches* to the crew for their after dinner transition task. It was lovely to hear her read and the whole crew were supportive of her reading out loud. They even asked her to read more! We all enjoyed it, especially me!



### Teacher Swap! 🤖🔄

📅 25th May 2023 👤 Sophie Elmer

This afternoon, many of our teachers had the opportunity to swap classes so that they could share some of their favourite stories with another crew! The children absolutely loved having a different teacher, listening to stories and exploring their own imagination! It was lovely to pop into crews and see the real love for reading taking place as well as children's thirst for reading. The fact that in some crews children were wanting to read more books by particular authors because they enjoyed it so much, and that other children wanted to read the book again or finish it, was fab! Hopefully next year we can do much more of this and maybe we can get some of our grown ups from home to come in too!



At the minute, we are having a big focus on improving our pupils **academic success in reading** as we know that by supporting our pupils to become readers they will be better able to access the curriculum and be able to read information when out and about.

We ask that children read at least 3 x per week in order to support them to develop fluency, pace and stamina for reading as well as a love of reading. Please can you ensure that pupils read at home and book bags returned daily.

## Expedition in EYFS

Our Expedition this term is outlined [HERE](#)

### Sharing our expedition in reception

📅 24th May 2023 👤 A Welburn

We loved having the opportunity to welcome our parents into the classroom this afternoon, and to share our learning journey so far with them! Our children spoke about their expedition, 'We're on the move!' to their parents and shared everything they have learnt so far. The children were really proud of their learning and loved having the opportunity to show this off to their parents 🚗



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Thanks to all parents/carers and family members who celebrated our beautiful work this half term.

Expedition is the way we gain our knowledge and skills across the curriculum. Expedition helps us to know more and remember more because it helps our learning stick!



## Expedition in KS1

Our Expedition this term is outlined [HERE](#)

### Sharing our expedition learning..

📅 26th May 2023 👤 Lauren Marsh

The children loved sharing their expedition learning and sharing what they have learnt so far when answering the guiding question: **where could your journey take you?**

The children were most excited about sharing their hunt for the kings crown and where they had looked around London. 🗺️

It was lovely to have parents in to share our learning journey so far, and we cannot wait to share our next case study about space.



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## Expedition in LKS2

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### Sharing our Expeditionary learning in LKS2



📅 24th May 2023 👤 Sophie Elmer

This afternoon we welcomed lots of our grown ups into school to show them our current extraordinary expedition work, 'Earth Shattering Events', 'What happens when nature strikes?'. We enjoyed sharing the work that we completed during Hook Week (making a volcano, earthquake simulation, walking through water and Earth Day celebrations!), as well as the Science (rocks and soils) and Geography (mountains) coverage from Case Study One.

We also got the opportunity to share our fabulous writing including our Lava recount and our broadcasting scripts.

Thank you to all of the grown ups (and newborn babies!) who came to share their child/rens learning this afternoon. It was lovely to see how proud the children were of the beautiful work that they have been producing.

We look forward to sharing the rest of our learning with you all in July at our COL Event on **Wednesday 12th July!** We hope to see you then! 😊



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## Expedition in UKS2

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### Reflecting on expeditions in MI

📅 22nd May 2023 👤 Stacey McClare

Today we reflected on the expeditions we had covered in year 6 so we could start the beautiful work section of our final word presentations. We thought about the guiding questions, the case studies we had covered and all the learning we had produced in each case study. We then thought about the final product for each expedition. It was lovely reflecting on all the amazing things children had produced throughout the year. We then continued with our final word presentations 😊



### Sharing our expedition journey so far...

📅 25th May 2023 👤 Ruth Shields

It was great to see so many grown ups coming in to support the children so thank you for taking the time to come and join us.

As a crew, we decided that we'd feel more confident sharing information with parents together before looking through books. This allowed everyone to get involved with the sharing of their learning as we were unsure of how many parents were able to attend.

Each person had a part of the learning to share and then they felt more confident sitting with their books and showing the different parts of learning.

The crew did an amazing job of sharing our learning for summer 1 and they should be extremely proud of themselves!



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## Out and About doing Sports

This year we have had lots of children out and about doing Sports at a range of venues across Doncaster.

### Awesome Athletics in Year 2

📅 24th May 2023 👤 Nicola Robson



Today 25 of our Year 2 children attended an athletics festival at Doncaster Athletics Club.



### Sports for Champions!

📅 25th May 2023 👤 Lauren Marsh

Due to loving our athlete visit last year...

I am excited to announce that we have an athlete visiting school **Monday 3rd July 2023**.

Children should have come home with a sponsor form tonight, sponsor forms are due in **Monday 19th June 2023**.

Sponsor forms should be handed in to class teachers or the office once all sponsor money has been collected.

This is a great opportunity for the children to meet a GB athlete and raise money for school at the same time, as soon as we know who the school athlete is I will share.

If your child takes part in a sport or club outside of school please let us know especially if they have something special to share such as an improvement or achievement. We would love to celebrate in our phase community meetings.

Academic subjects such as Maths and Reading are not where everyone's talents lie! We are always striving to develop the talents across a range of subjects in order to support our children to be the best version of themselves.



## Attendance for this week...

W/E 19/05/2023	Attendance Figure %
Crew Pashley (Y3/4)	99.60
Crew Shields (Y5)	98.89
Crew Robson (Y2)	96.79
Crew Welburn (FS2)	96.25
Crew Marsh (Y1)	95.20
Crew Thompson (Y3/4)	95.20
Crew MI (Y6)	93.68
Crew Flaherty (Y3/4)	93.33
Crew MI (Y6)	92.35
Crew Boswell (Y6)	91.25
Crew McGlone (FS1)	90.00
Crew AP	81.25
Crew Godley (Y1/2)	77.69



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Just a reminder of our School Attendance Target- 95%

Well done to Crew Pashley and Crew Shields for achieving green for attendance this week!

