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Parent Weekly Newsletter

Summer Term 2

26th June 2023

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



Dates for the forthcoming week

Summer 2 Diary Dates

What?	When?	Which year groups/crews?
School Closed to Pupils to allow for Staff Professional Development	Monday 26th June- All Day	
Theatre Production in School- Oliver Twist	Wednesday 28th June- 9.30-10.30	
Y5/6 Swimming Continues	Friday 30th June- Morning	

Key Messages from the Admin/Business Team

[April Lunch Menu 2023](#)

Carcroft School Present



Hawaiian Disco



Bright colours and Hawaiian themed wear welcomed!

Thursday 6th July

£2.50

Hot dog and a drink provided.

Payable on parent pay, by Monday 3rd July.

3.30pm until 4.30pm

All children are invited from EYFS to Y6. Staff will be fully supervising. Children to be dropped off (and picked up) at their classroom doors where they will be signed in by their teachers.

We are aware that some of the Y6 children will be at Kingswood, however, they will not miss out as they have their exciting prom coming up!

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.

The image shows a screenshot of the Carcroft School website. At the top, the Carcroft School logo is displayed, featuring a colorful circular design with the letters 'CS' in the center. To the right of the logo, the text reads: 'CARCROFT SCHOOL ASPIRE, BELIEVE, ACHIEVE' and 'CARCROFT SCHOOL IS PART OF THE XP TRUST'. The XP TRUST logo is also visible in the top right corner. Below the header, there is a navigation menu with the following items: 'About Us', 'Curriculum', 'Children', 'Parents', 'Community', and 'Staff'. The 'Parents' menu is open, showing a list of crew blogs: 'Crew Ferguson 22/23', 'Crew Flaherty 22/23', 'Crew Gerrard 22/23', 'Crew Godley 22/23', 'Crew Robson 22/23', 'Crew MI 22/23', 'Crew McLoughlin 22/23', 'Crew Marsh 22/23', 'Crew LE 22/23', 'Crew Boswell 22/23', 'Crew Shields 22/23' (highlighted), 'Crew Welburn 22/23', and 'Archived Blogs'. The main content area shows a blog post titled 'Football game' dated '26th May 2023' by 'Ruth Shields'. The post includes two photographs of a football game in progress on a school field. Below the images, the text reads: 'A lovely game of football this afternoon for Crew Shields as we continue to build up crew in different types of scenarios. Crew Shields love a game of football together and the majority get involved but football can become heated at times so a perfect opportunity to work on negotiating and sportsmanship. It also helped having the sun shining.' The background of the entire image features a large, colorful butterfly graphic.

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!

Last week in Crew McLoughlin they worked on their character by demonstrating kindness. What a lovely gesture!

Character Growth (Crew)

Spreading kindness 🧡📖

📅 20th June 2023 👤 Hannah McLoughlin

On pyjamarama day, we competed with each other to make the most beautiful bookmarks; the winning bookmarks would then be placed in the library for other children to use across school. It was so hard to choose just one... so much so that me and Miss Taylor chose 7 finalists! All our bookmarks have been published and are now ready to enjoy. So no more folding the corner of the page, go grab yours when you next visit the library! I am sure they will be in high demand!



Character Growth (Crew)

During Crew time, we loved spending some quality time with our Dads, Grandads and Uncles last week to celebrate Fathers Day.

Fathers Day Breakfast LKS2 🍷🍷😊🍷



📅 20th June 2023 👤 Sophie Elmer

LKS2 children and their male grown ups had a lovely start to the day this morning! What could be better than starting the day with a bacon butty and a cuppa with a family member? Thank you to all of those grown ups that attended! 👍



KS1 Fathers Day breakfast 🍷🍷

📅 22nd June 2023 👤 Laura Godley

KS1 children and their grown ups had a lovely start to the day this morning! It was a pleasure to see so many grown ups enjoying time with their children. Thank you to all of those grown ups that attended! 👍



Mrs Bidmead's 60th Birthday! 🎂

📅 22nd June 2023 👤 Lauren Marsh

Wow, we had a fun breakfast to celebrate Mrs Bidmead's birthday this morning!



Character Growth (Crew)

Last week, as part of crew, we celebrated Mrs Bidmead's special birthday. We had a special birthday breakfast. It was so lovely to be able to celebrate together as Mrs Bidmead is such a special person in all of our lives at Carcroft. Happy birthday Mrs Bidmead.



Character Growth (Crew)

Voice of an angel

📅 22nd June 2023 👤 Ruth Shields

WOW! WOW! WOW!

Today was the turn of Shiloh to share her talent with us. She had told me she wanted to sing which I was surprised by as she can be quite shy. However, this afternoon she blew us all away!

This confident girl stood up in front of her crew and sang like an angel. I have no idea where she has been hiding that voice but I'm very glad she felt comfortable enough to share with us. Shiloh has only ever sang in front of her family so this was the first time she sang in front of a group.



We are always striving to spot our pupils talents... and show them that **THEY CAN!**

Crew Shields continue with talent spotting. This week Shiloh showed off her amazing singing talent. It was also lovely to see Shiloh grow in confidence this year. What a star!

Character Growth (Crew)

Crew Boswell – Freya's Football Success!

📅 20th June 2023 👤 Matthew Boswell



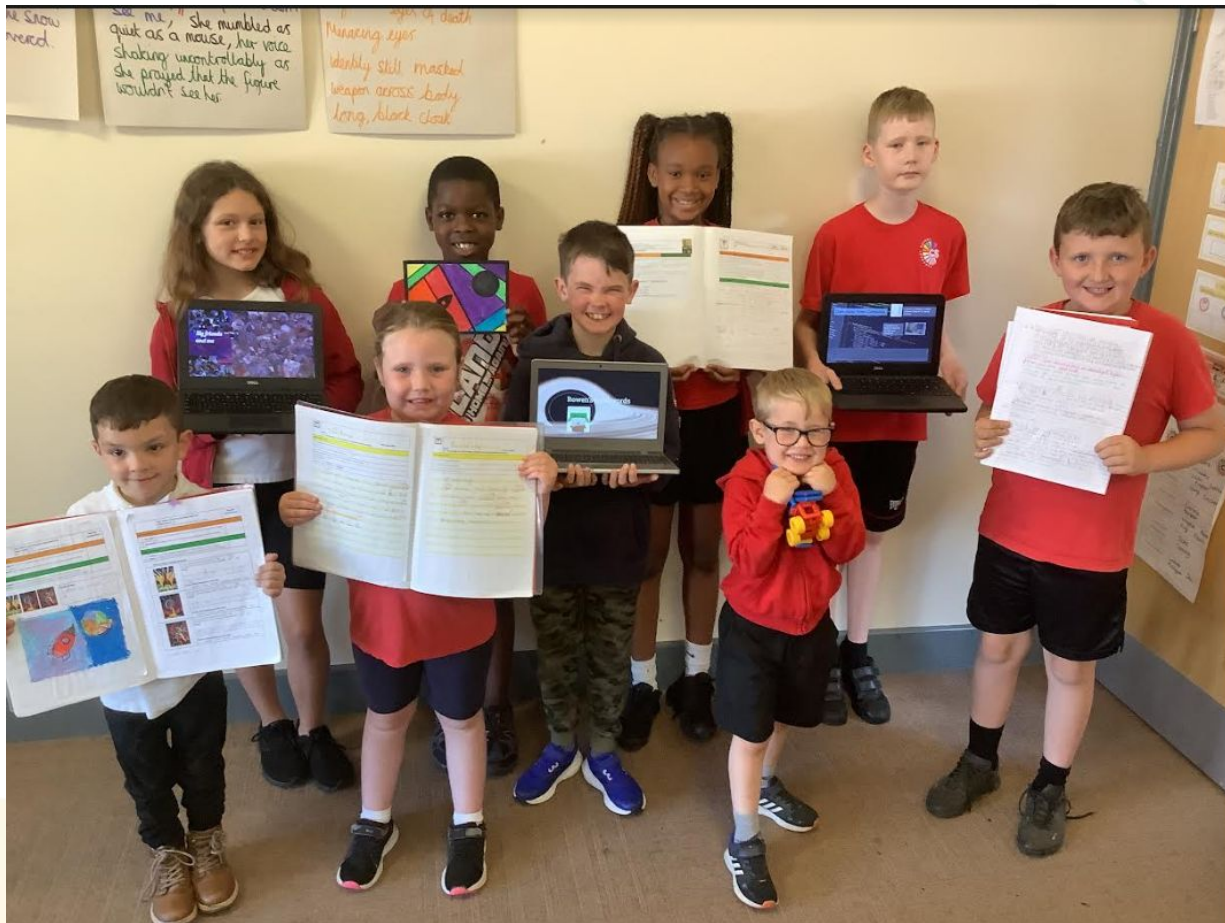
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You are amazing Freya!

Last weekend, I went to a national football tournament in Coventry. I went with Doncaster Elite Academy and it was lots of fun even though I got injured. At the end, I couldn't take a penalty but my friends did and they scored. Even though I got injured last minute, I still enjoyed watching the penalties but for some of it I did have to look away because I was nervous for my team. Luckily, we won 3-2 and when we scored the winning penalty I jumped up and tried to run to my team but they ran over to me so we could celebrate together.

By Freya





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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.



LKS2 Celebration of Learning Event



📅 20th June 2023 👤 Sophie Elmer

During Hook Week, as part of The Write Stuff, all of the pupils in LKS2 wrote an invite to invite all family members to our COL event. We then created a shared invite and sent this to our COMMS Team at XP alongside our 'rasterbator' creation. Last week, we received our final products to hand out to our grown ups! We were super impressed with them! Hopefully your child has given you one and we would love to see you all on Wednesday 12th July at 2pm.



Beautiful Work

LKS2 created beautiful postcards to invite their parents in to their celebration of learning. Their work is truly stunning!



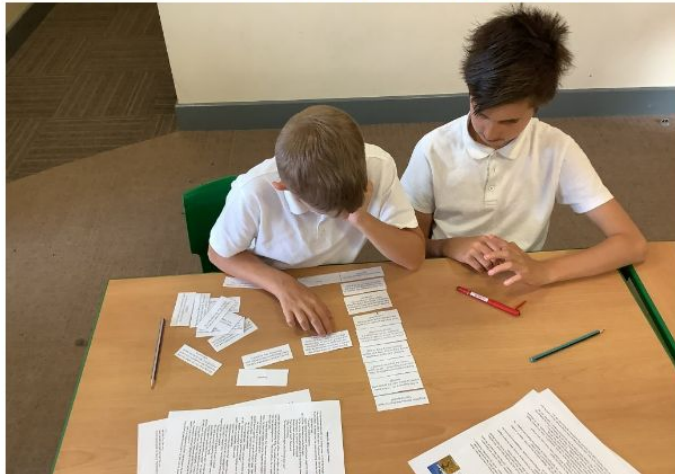
Academic Success- Reading

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

A different kind of reading lesson...

📅 22nd June 2023 👤 Emily Ibbotson

This morning, we carried reading on our novel 'Holes' which we are really enjoying. Instead of just answering questions we had a matching activity where we had to match the question to the answer. This was really fun and really got us thinking about what the question was asking us.



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Crew Welburn's super readers!

📅 22nd June 2023 👤 A Welburn

I'm so proud of all of the children in Crew Welburn for trying their very best each and every day with their reading. Our books are becoming a little bit more tricky as we move further through the year, but everyone is challenging themselves to use special friends, Fred talk, read the word, to show how smart they are getting in their reading. It is lovely to see the children working in their pairs to support each other and to cheer each other on 🥳



Academic Success- Reading

Massive well done to Y1 on completing their phonics screening!

📅 20th June 2023 👤 Lauren Marsh

Today we all enjoyed a bag of haribo to celebrate finishing our Y1 phonics screening, the children worked incredibly hard and we feel very proud of them all! ❤️✅



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Academic Success- READING

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

Crew Pashley Reading Superstars

23rd June 2023 Eleanor Pashley

On Thursday, we celebrated the children in Crew Pashley who have been reading everyday. We celebrated by going outside on the scooters in the sunshine. With our mini first aider, Jenson, keeping everyone safe and keeping plasters close by!



Books and Breakfast

22nd June 2023 Kirsty Atherton

I had the best start to a Thursday with our READING STARS from this week. We enjoyed a croissant and orange juice and then we chatted a little bit about reading and why we enjoy it. We then explored the library and had a little bit of time looking/reading some books. I am

Incredibly proud ★



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Last week Mrs Atherton celebrated our super readers by enjoying some breakfast and a chat about their books and a little look around the library.

Academic Success- Other subjects

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



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Boom, clap, snatch

📅 22nd June 2023 👤 Lauren Marsh

Crew Marsh loved practising their 10 timetables in maths.



Planning – writing

📅 19th June 2023 👤 Ruth Shields

Once we had finished assessments, it was time to get cracking with our writing in preparation for the final product.

Today, we critiqued a model text and gave praises, notices and wonders before starting to plan out what we'll write about in each stanza.

We're looking forward to writing the poems and then sharing them with the community.



Expedition in EYFS

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

Chicks 

📅 21st June 2023 👤 Sarah Mcglone

It's been such an exciting time in Nursery recently after the arrival of our chicks! We have treated them to a little paddling pool to stretch their legs in, and it meant we could sit and watch them playing together. Some of us were really eager to hold them, whilst some of us opted to just stroke them – we absolutely LOVED it! We have felt really lucky to have experienced this and we really don't want to say goodbye to our new friends at the end of this week!



Expedition in LKS2

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

In Y3/4 **Geography**, we have been learning about the water cycle. Ask us what we can remember..

We have learned some new vocabulary including: precipitation, condensation, evaporation.

Ask us about it...

Also, in **XP Outdoors** we have also planted peas and kept a diary

Planting peas 🌱🌱

21st June 2023 📍 Kate Thompson

This afternoon, we planted our own pea seed! We followed the instructions carefully and filled out our plant planner. We can't wait to watch our pea grow and fill in our planner! 🌱



Wheeley good fun! 🌧️☁️🔄

22nd June 2023 📍 Sophie Elmer

This afternoon, in Crew FE we learnt a little bit more about 'The Water Cycle', including 'precipitation', 'condensation' and 'evaporation'. Crew members had lots of great questions to ask to enhance their learning further which was amazing to see and I loved how involved everyone got! We then spent the rest of the lesson making our own 'Water Cycle Wheels' so that we could share them with everyone else!





Exciting evaporation experiment!



📅 20th June 2023 👤 Kate Thompson

In expedition today, we set up our evaporation experiment! We can't wait to check back in a few days to see what has happened and see if our predictions were correct!

In Y3/4 **Science**, we have engaged in an experiment. We set up an evaporation experiment.

We are working really hard to get smart in Y3/4 this term.



Expedition in UKS2

In wider curriculum, we have been working hard on our computing skills and presentation skills ready for our final word presentations later this term.

Crew Boswell – Final Word Preparation

📅 20th June 2023 👤 Matthew Boswell

Our Final Word preparation continues today with children now focusing on speaking in front of others. We built up from presenting to small groups before presenting to the whole class. Speaking in front of others is not an easy skill but we're working hard to make sure we build our confidence!



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.



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Fun at break time

📅 22nd June 2023 👤 Lauren Marsh

We loved having new stuff out at break time today!



Scotty's Heroes Year 6

📅 21st June 2023 👤 Tracy Haddock

Fantastic session today. The children made an observation shelter and the winning team were the girls Maddie, Sienna, Frankie, Harper, Sophia and Heidi. Well done girls



Attendance for this week...

W/E 23/06/2023	Attendance Figure %
Crew McLoughlin (Y6)	98.53
Crew Robson (Y2)	96.88
Crew Shields (Y5)	95.83
Crew Thompson (Y3/4)	95.67
Crew Pashley (Y3/4)	95.31
Crew Marsh (Y1)	94.50
Crew McGlone (FS1)	91.30
Crew FE (Y3/4)	91.20
Crew AP	87.50
Crew Boswell (Y6)	87.50
Crew MI (Y6)	85.53
Crew Welburn (FS2)	83.20
Crew Godley (Y1/2)	81.73

Well done to Crew McLoughlin for topping the attendance table last week!

But we also need to say a big well done to Crew Robson, Crew Shields, Crew Thompson and Crew Pashley for achieving 95%.



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Just a reminder of our School Attendance Target- 95%



Attendance Challenge and Celebrations (Summer Term)...



Challenge time!

If you attend for 100% of this half term, from Monday 5th June until Thursday 20th July.

On Friday 21st July, we will be having a **whole school water fight** for all those with 100% attendance for this half term!

Don't miss out! It's going to be **AMAZING!**



Attendance Celebration

Is your attendance going to be 95% or above for the whole year? If it is... you will receive a 'golden ticket' that will give you admission/entry to a special event of your choice....

We have asked the children for their suggestions and will let you know next week what we have decided on.



**GREAT
Attendance**