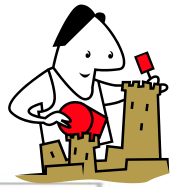




CARLOGIE REVIEW AND PREVIEW



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Welcome Back!

It is the final term of the session already. This has been a fun packed and busy year and this term will only add to this. There will be the usual variety of sports competitions, sports days, trips and events that will ensure that time will really fly quickly. We can only hope the weather is kind to us so that the children can enjoy the fun in the sun.

Up Coming Dates

Sunday 9 May	P7 residential trip to London
Monday 10 May	Dundee United Football starts
Tuesday 18 May	ECO day
Wednesday 19 May	Netball tournament
Friday 21 May	INSET day 5
Monday 24 May	INSET day 6
Tuesday 25 May	INSET day 7
Wednesday 26 May	Reports out to parents Sponsored Wheelie
Thursday 27 May	Football tournament
Monday 31 May	Parent response sheet back
Thursday 3 June	Parents night
Friday 4 June	Whole school Sports Challenge
Tuesday 8 June	Parents night
Wednesday 9 June	Sports day
Tuesday 15 June	P7 Show
Wednesday 16 June	P1 Cheese and Wine
Wednesday 23 June	P7 to Carnoustie High
Thursday 24 June	P7 to Carnoustie High
Friday 25 June	P7 to Carnoustie High
Tuesday 29 June	Prize Giving
Thursday 1 July	End of term Service END OF TERM

The London Trip



Our Primary 7 children are currently enjoying a 5 day residential trip to London. This is very much a highlight of the primary seven calendar and the trip includes visits to famous landmarks, museums, the zoo, London eye and the theatre to see Lion King amongst many other things. Everybody at Carlogie wishes them well and hopes that they are not too tired when they arrive home on Thursday. We look forward to seeing the photographs

ADDITIONAL INSERVICE DAY

Just a short note to remind you of the additional inset days to allow you to make the necessary arrangements. School will be closed to pupils on these days.

Friday 21 May	In Service Day 5
Monday 24 May	Additional In Service Day (Curriculum for Excellence)
Tuesday 25 May	Additional In Service Day (Assessment)



NEWS FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL



Nursery

This is a very busy term in the nursery, especially for those children starting school after the summer holidays. We do many transition activities to prepare the children for going to school. These include visits to the Primary 1 classrooms, enjoying snack outside in the playground with a Primary 1 buddy and having a school job each day. These include a variety of activities to help build number skills, letter awareness, and fine motor control as well as developing their concentration and perseverance for more challenging tasks. We will also be spending lots of time out in the garden enjoying the better weather. We have planted strawberries, peas, potatoes and wild flowers and will care for these and watch them grow over the term. We are also going to have a visit from the Zoo Lab to do a Spring time road show. This is going to focus on the new life that emerges at this time of the year and will link to all the new plants and flowers growing in our garden. If you have any old wellies then please hand them into the nursery as we would like to use them as planters in our garden.

Primary 1

All the pupils thoroughly enjoyed the pirates topic and the trip to the beach. Our new topic this term is Noah's Ark and then our focus will be mini-beasts. We are hoping to organise a trip related to our topics- more information to follow. Learning logs and planners will be sent out shortly. Our visitors in primary 1 this term will be Alison Bell (Tuesdays and Wednesdays) and Laura Cooper (Thursdays and Fridays).

Primary 2

Primary two are enjoying their World Cup project. They have started learning about South Africa. We will be looking at where it is on the map and finding out about its culture, wildlife and famous people. Then we will move on to the World Cup itself. We will learn about the participating countries and will make a brochure for each of them. We haven't forgotten about the football though! We have planned a school trip to Tannadice which includes a training session. We will also be keeping a close eye on the scores when the games begin.

Primary 3

We are getting stuck in to our project about plants and looking forward to planting seeds and helping them grow. We are hoping for some help from mums and dads with this. Our potato plants have really taken off and we're looking forward to a good crop— hopefully! It's going to be a busy term.

Primary 4

Our Topic this term is the Human Body. We will be looking at the skeleton, major organs, 5 senses and keeping healthy. We are focusing on paired reading and reading for enjoyment. In maths we are looking at shape, position and movement as well as money and simple fractions with examples in everyday contexts.

Primary 5

Primary 5's topics for the first part of this term are Litter(5a) and Britain(5b). This will be followed by sailing the seven seas in search of Pesky Pirates which will culminate in the children writing their own pirate adventure stories. This term we will also be visiting Falkland Palace to meet Mary Queen of Scots which is always a great day out. The children learn a lot of interesting facts about life in the 15th Century and this visit enables them to put their learning into school in context

Primary 6

After all the successful fund raising efforts primary 6 have now started their book project and have been working with the author Allan Burnett. They are all in chapter groups and are busy researching their local history. As a reward for all their hard work the children will visit Belmont farm, Blairgowrie, in June for a well deserved fun day out.

Primary 7

Mr Bruce will be in 7a until the 14 May. Primary 7 are continuing with the Jewellery Enterprise project and hope to have a catalogue published this term. Our new topic is 'Moving On' and it is linked to the transition to Carnoustie High School. The transition process will include visits this term from Carnoustie High School Staff as well as the children visiting the High School for three days late in June- more details to follow.

Hearing Impaired Base

We are going to work on a project about mini- beasts in preparation for the school Eco Day. We are also going to construct a mini-beast 'hotel'. We would like to go on a trip to Deep Sea World hopefully to meet up with other deaf children to exchange news.

ASN Base

Emma Thomas, Active Schools Co-ordinator has organised 3 weeks of dance sessions with Lyn Peacock. Lyn has worked with us before and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. We look forward to working with her again.



ON THE SPORTS FIELD



Football Training led and supported by Dundee United Football Club is now underway. The training is open to boys and girls of all ages and abilities. The coaches are skilled and experienced in working with children of all ages. The uptake has been very good with over 120 children signed up and the programme will run until after the summer. Let's hope the coaches are able to bring the Scottish cup to the training session after 15 May.

Good luck to our netballers who are in action on 19 May and to our footballers on 27 May. You have been a real credit to the school so far. Keep the great work going.

Finally there will be a whole school Sports Challenge on 4 June involving all children in a range of non-competitive but very active and fun activities.

The traditional P1-3 and P4-7 sports day will go ahead on Wednesday 9 June. The P4-7 will be in the morning and P1-3 will be in the afternoon. More details to follow.

OTHER INFORMATION

School Uniform

Just a short reminder that school uniform orders are now being taken. The closing date for orders is Wednesday 19 May 2010. We are keen to develop our Sports Houses/Teams and gym T-shirts with team colours are now available to be ordered. If you need a reminder of your child's house/team please contact the class teacher.

Finally, please ensure that all present school uniform is labeled with the child's name. Any unclaimed items from lost property at the end of term will put given to local charity shops. The children will have an opportunity to look over the coming weeks and other items will be available to check in the front foyer.

Book Launch

As you will have heard from the children and read in our Literacy Newsletter- Carlogie is now in print.

The pass the story initiative where each stream of the school A/B and each class in the school took responsibility for part of a story. These stories have now been edited and draft copies have been sent by the well known publishers **Scholastic**. The official launch was last Friday so place your orders **now**

A huge well done to everyone who was involved.

Absences

If your child is going to be absent from school it is very important that you inform the office on the morning of the absence, by 9.30 a.m. at the latest. This can be done via a phone call or note via a sibling. This helps ensure that all children are safe and accounted for. It also supports the smooth running of the school. Many thanks for your continued support with this matter.

Car Park

Please take care when using the school car park. We are aware that the spaces are tight and getting in and out of a car particularly with small children can be problematic. However we have had a number of complaints from other car park users whose cars have been dented or scraped while in Carlogie Car Park. What is frustrating is that these accidents are not being reported.

Curriculum for Excellence

There will shortly be Curriculum for Excellence information sent home to parents in nursery and primary one. This describes the outcomes and experiences for children at this level- Early Level. There are also other materials relating to a curriculum for Excellence in our parent information section in the foyer- just ask.