



**THE ROOKERIES
CARLETON**

JUNIOR, INFANT
& NURSERY SCHOOL

FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER

Dear Parents and Carers

At the Rookeries, it has been another lovely week with some examples of really good attendance. I have been into classes every day and have been so impressed with the children's attitudes to learning, their behaviour and their concentration. Despite all the challenges we are facing, our classrooms continue to be very happy places full of children who are enjoying being at school. This is a huge credit to our staff members who are working so hard to provide stability and exciting learning.

This week, we co-constructed our 'Golden Rules', which were shared in our weekly 'Zoom' assembly. All the children have spent time discussing their rights and their responsibilities as part of the Rookeries school community. I now look forward to embedding these rules with the children to form part of our culture.

Finally, I have been so impressed with all the children, parents and carers, who have taken part in the walk to school challenge! I hope you all manage to have a good weekend (and rest those weary legs) and we will really look forward to seeing the children on Monday morning.

Kind regards

Richard Grogan

Attendance Matters

| Class | Attendance |
|-----------|------------|
| Nursery | 100% |
| Reception | 99% |
| Year 1 | 94% |
| Year 1/2 | 98% |
| Year 2 | 98% |
| Year 3 | 99% |
| Year 3/4 | 94% |
| Year 4 | 99% |
| Year 5 | 94% |
| Year 6 | 96% |

World Mental Health Day

Tomorrow marks World Mental Health Day. This year has been a tough one for us all. The months of lockdown and loss have had a huge impact on our mental health. Whether it is going for a walk, learning a new skill or doing something creative, taking the first steps to getting support for yourself, or reaching out to someone else; take the opportunity to do one thing this World Mental Health Day and download the resources to help you get started.

<https://www.mind.org.uk/get-involved/world-mental-health-day-2020/>

Music Lessons

Thank you to all those parents, who have already responded to Miss Marsh's message on ClassDojo and expressed an interest in their child taking part in music lessons. If you would like any more information about the lessons, please contact Miss Marsh directly.

Parents Evenings

These will be held in the week before half term commences on, **Wednesday 21** and **Thursday 22** October. Due to the current circumstances, this year's consultations will be telephone appointments that will be arranged through your child's class teacher. More details on appointment times and how to arrange these will come out in a separate letter next week.

Parental Consent

Thank you to all those, who have returned their parental consent forms. If you have not already done so could you please ensure we have your most up-to-preferences on how your child's personal data is used by the school.

Year 6 Open Evenings

Pontefract Academies Trust would like to invite you to open evenings for both Carleton High School and The King's School. Due to covid-19 restrictions, both of these events will be held virtually. Please find details below:

The King's School Virtual Open Evening

Tuesday 13th October, from 6.30pm onwards

This event will be held via Facebook Live. Please [click here](#) and Like our Facebook page to be able to access our Facebook Live. This page will give more information about the event in the coming weeks.

Carleton High School Virtual Open Evening

Thursday 15th October, from 6.30pm onwards

This event will be held via Facebook Live. Please [click here](#) and Like our Facebook page to be able to access our Facebook live. This page will give more information about the event in the coming weeks.

More information will also be sent home with your children in the coming weeks. We look forward to "meeting" you.

Mr D Pinto – Headteacher, The King's School

Mrs J Cross – Headteacher, Carleton High School

Star of the Week Certificates

| Class | Star of the Week |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Nursery | Parker |
| Reception | Samara |
| Year 1 | Eleanor |
| Year 1/2 | Molly |
| Year 2 | Agnes |
| Year 3 | Eve |
| Year 3/4 | Charlie |
| Year 4 | Gracy |
| Year 5 | Harrison |
| Year 6 | Olivia |
| HI & Deaf Resource | Leon |

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support