



## Welcome Back!

We are so happy (although possibly not as happy as you) to see the children back after their break and we are looking forward to another busy school year. We are also delighted to welcome Mrs Curragh back from her career break.

## First Day of School

A special welcome to our new Primary One pupils – we hope you will settle in quickly and be very happy here! Welcome also to Mrs Roycroft who is covering Monday and Tuesday in Primary 4 and to Mrs Liggett who will be helping out in Primary Two.

## Carrowdore Primary School App

If you have not already, please download our school app to keep up to date with all that's happening in school. We use the app to send reminders about things that are happening in school or unexpected closures and this can be useful for grandparents/childminders too.

Android

Go to Google Play, search for School Jotter or scan the QR code.



iOS

Go to App Store and search for School Jotter or scan the QR code.



## Nut Free Zone

We have a number of children in school who suffer from severe nut allergies and kindly ask that parents refrain from sending products containing nuts into school e.g. Nutella.

## Data Capture Forms

Mrs Gourley is sending home data capture forms **today**, please check the information is correct or make any necessary amendments then sign and return to your child's teacher **as soon as possible** but not later than **next Monday**.

## Permissions

New permission forms have been sent home **today**. Please read carefully, complete fully and return to your child's teacher **as soon as possible** but not later than **next Monday**.

## Allergies

If your child suffers from an allergy please make sure we are aware of this. Mrs Cromie has already sent forms home to children we know about and we would really appreciate if these could be returned **as soon as possible** but not later than **next Monday**.

## Medication

If your child requires medication to be taken/stored in school e.g. an inhaler Mrs Cromie will send home a form to be completed. Please ensure this is completed and returned as a matter of urgency and ensure we have **in date** medication in school.

### **Please Park Politely**

Pick up and drop off times are very busy around school. Parents, grandparents, childminders etc. are reminded **NOT** to drive down to the gate but rather to park and walk. Please be considerate of local residents when parking around school.

### **School Fund**

With continued pressure on school budgets we rely more than ever on the support of parents via our annual school fund collection. We ask for £30 school fund per family which can be paid now for the whole year or in three instalments of £10 per term.

### **If you can't be on time be early!**

**School starts at 9.00a.m.** we encourage children to **arrive at 8.50a.m.** to ensure they are ready to start learning by 9a.m. We keep doors open until 9.10a.m. because we appreciate sometimes things happen however pupils arriving after 9a.m. should be the **exception** rather than the norm! A bell will ring at 9.10a.m. at this time classroom doors will be closed and children should enter via the front door, where they need to be signed in to the late register and order dinner if required. Children arriving late or leaving early due to an appointment should be dropped off/collected at the front door and signed out by a parent/carer. We really appreciate if you can send a note in advance of appointments.

### **Mile a Day**

Following its success last year plan to continue the 'mile a day' with each class; this involves the children getting out and being active for about 15 minutes. Please ensure your child brings a coat and wears sensible shoes to school every day.

### **Uniform**

It's lovely to see the children looking so smart in their new uniforms but we have already had a number of items misplaced! **PLEASE, PLEASE, make sure all items are labelled**, this makes it a little easier for us to track down the owners of missing items!

### **PE Uniform**

Pupils in P3-7 change for PE and should bring a pair of navy shorts or jogging bottoms, a white t shirt and a pair of plimsolls in a bag for PE. Trainers can be worn for outdoor PE but should only be used for indoor PE if the sole is non-marking. **Please ensure all items are clearly named.**

### **Child Protection**

If you wish to report a child protection concern you can speak to our Designated Teacher, Mrs Billington (P7) or our Deputy Designated Teacher, Mrs Gilmore (P3).



### **P1 Reminder**

P1 stay for lunch from Monday, please send a packed lunch or money for dinner/lunchbox express – P1 pick up will be at 1p.m.

### **P5 Reminder**

Swimming starts **this** Friday, please ensure you have returned your permission form!

### **AQE Meeting – Primary 7**

Mrs Billington invites parents of pupils sitting their AQE tests **this** autumn to a meeting on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 2.15 in the P7 classroom.** AQE registration for pupils wishing to sit the test **this** year closes this **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September.** Further information can be found on the AQE website at <https://aqe.org.uk>

### **Charity Money**

In Carrowdore Primary School we endeavour to think of others less fortunate than ourselves. The children are invited to bring a small donation (20p) on Friday mornings for charity and the class who collects the most is awarded the coveted Charity Cup in assembly.

### **Mobile Library**

The mobile library visits school every other Tuesday and children who are registered may borrow books. The library van visited school yesterday and will return on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September.

### **Cash for Clobber**

If having a clear out, please donate any clothes etc. to our blue recycling bin in the car park – school gets money each time this is emptied.

### **Meet the Teacher & PTA AGM**

Our annual Meet the Teacher evening will take place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September from 6.15 p.m. This is a great opportunity for parents to meet the teacher, see their child's classroom and hear all about what the children will be learning this year and how you can help. As usual the PTA AGM will take place on the same night and we hope you will stay for this to find out how you can get involved.

**Please note children in P2-7 will finish at 2.00 p.m. on this day.**

### **Volunteers**

We are interested in 'recruiting' some more volunteers to help out in classrooms with reading, photocopying etc. Any mums, dads, or grandparents interested please speak to Miss Roe, Mrs Gourley or your child's class teacher.

### **Money**

Please endeavour to send money for the week on a Monday in a clearly marked envelope in order to reduce time teachers have to spend on admin. We really appreciate if you can send the correct change. School money envelopes are available from the office and cost £2.50 for a pack of 50.

## Healthy Break

Please remember to send a **healthy** snack for break (no chocolate, crisps or sweets) or pay for school healthy break - 50p per day for toast and fruit and 10p per day for milk.

<b>Break</b>	50p	£1.00	£1.50	£2.00	£2.50
<b>Milk</b>	10p	20p	30p	40p	50p
<b>Both</b>	60p	£1.20	£1.80	£2.40	£3.00

## Dinners

The cost of school dinners will remain £2.60 per day, this cost is set by the Education Authority.

1 day	2 days	3 days	4 days	5 days
£2.60	£5.20	£7.80	£10.40	£13.00

## Dinner Menu w/c 09-09-19

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Oven Baked Pork Sausages Baked Beans Mashed Potatoes Creamed Rice Fresh Fruit Salad	Savoury Minced Beef Carrots & Parsnip Mashed Potato Shortbread, Fruit & Milkshake	Roast Gammon, Gravy, Shredded Cabbage, Oven Roast & Mashed Potato Selection of Yoghurts Fresh Fruit Salad	Mild Chicken Curry Boiled Rice Naan Bread Mandarin Sponge & Custard	Cod Fish Fingers Peas Chips/Baked Potatoes Salad & Coleslaw Artic Roll Fresh Fruit

## Dates For Your Diary

- \*Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 6.15 p.m. Meet the Teacher Evening & PTA AGM  
\*Please note school will finish at 2p.m. for P2-7 on this day
- Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Staff Development Day – pupils should not attend

## The Week Ahead

Date	In School	After School
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	P1 stay for lunch – home at 1p.m..	2.15p.m. AQE Meeting – P7 parents
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>		
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>		
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>		
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	P5 Swimming	

## Words of Wisdom

*If you promise not to believe everything your child says happens at school  
... we promise not to believe everything they say happens at home!*