



CARLTON MINIOTT PRIMARY ACADEMY

Dates for your diary 2021

- 12th February - school closes for Half-Term for Key Worker pupils
- 22nd February - School re-opens for Key Worker pupils

Questionnaire

Thank you very much to those of you who replied to the questionnaire I sent out about remote learning. Most of you were very positive about what we were doing for Remote Learning. Live lessons seem to be the part that has most impact on your children. Thank you for bearing with the teachers as they find the best way to do this for their year group.

It was asked whether we could provide some more ideas for PE and we will be doing this.

It was also asked whether we could put on the assemblies. I will attempt to do that this weekend. For two days we are using assemblies prepared by the Thirsk and Northallerton churches. These are sent in different formats so may not work on your computer. The link to this weeks celebration assembly is <https://www.loom.com/share/43f3f13aec6d483587552b09b2b37dc6>

Well-Being

For the next three weeks before, hopefully, we all return to school, each class will be having a Well-Being afternoon on a Wednesday. This will be a screen free afternoon with no live lessons. There will be a menu of activities, like the example below, so children can choose what they do. We hope this will give them a break from their regular school work and will be beneficial for your whole family. The grid for this will also be placed in the Wednesday section on Teams.

Wellbeing Wednesday

Take some time away from the screen. Pick a couple of activities from the grid below:



GO OUTDOORS WITH Donna	Make a frozen sun catcher by taking the top of a tin, collecting leaves and any flowers and place in the tin. Then add water and leave outside or pop in the freezer.	Make a mud face! Collect some mud and splat it down. Create a face on it using leaves etc	Can you make a den outside? Do you need to collect sticks first? You could go the woods!	Do the Big Garden Bird Watch. Spend half an hour looking out of your window and counting how many birds you see. Can you name them?	What outdoor art can you create? Maybe you could make a bird out of foliage or a cityscape.	Make a den for all the fairies who visit your garden.	Make a mini-beast hotel.	Can you make a bird feeder for the birds? Use some fat and add bird seed – hang it up and watch the wildlife come.
BUILD AND CREATE	Build a tall tower. What will you use? How sturdy is your structure?	Make a boat to float in your bath or sink. You could design a flag to attach to it.	Make a sock puppet and put on a show for someone in your house.	Have a go at baking a nice treat to share with someone in your house.	Can you create a model using construction? Maybe you could use some of the world's famous structures to influence your design.	Create your own jigsaw by drawing a picture and then cutting it into pieces. Can someone in your house complete your puzzle?	Build a den in your house or garden.	Use different objects around your house to make a collage picture.
Drop Everything And Read	Share a story with someone in your house.	Reread a book that you haven't read for a while.	Become a storyteller and make up your own story.	Find a quiet place to read a book independently.	Suggest a book to a friend. Why will they like it? Try not to reveal too much about the story!	Find a picture in a book that you have never noticed before.	Turn your favourite story into a comic book.	Read a description from a book and create your own illustrations.
GET MOVING	Set up a weekly circuit course – each week, see if you can improve your speed	Choreograph a dance routine to a piece of music.	Make your own assault course. Have you set up a design where you can travel over, under, around and through?	Design a fitness routine to teach to someone at home.	Hold a family Olympics afternoon. What sports will you include?	Stretch your legs and go for a walk. If you can't get outside then walk up and down your stairs or around your house. I wonder how many steps you can walk...	Spend some time developing a skill. This could be skipping, throwing, catching or hoola-hooping	Play the floor is lava and develop your balancing skills.
Fel VALUED	Make a bookmark linked to our values of friendship, kindness and respect. What do you think these values look like?	Where do you go in your house to relax? Can you make a 'calm corner'?	Make a phone call to a relative	Help a grown up by putting the shopping away, tidying your room or setting the table.	Write a card or letter to someone to say "thank you". What are you thankful for?	Record a message for a friend or teacher.	The gratitude alphabet. Share what you are thankful for, can you think of something for each letter of the alphabet?	Think about the things that are important to you. Now think about the things that are important to someone else.



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Time to Chat

This weeks 'Time to Chat' appears to have been very popular and so we will be running it again next week. We will follow the same timetable as before:-

Monday - Class 2

Tuesday - Class 3

Wednesday - Class 4

Thursday - Class 5

Friday - Class 6

All between 11.45am and 12.00pm, except Year 6 which will be at 12 noon.

Live Lessons

Unfortunately it has come to my attention that, in some classes, there are a few children who are spoiling the learning for the other children by their behaviour online. Therefore here are a few guidelines we would like you to follow:-

In live lessons we expect

- Children to arrive at the lessons at the time invited
- Children to have their cameras on unless previously agreed with the class teacher
- Children to be muted unless they are asking questions or contributing to the lesson
- Children not to be posting comments or emojis unless asked to by their teacher
- Children to contribute fully to the lesson
- Children must not mute or unmute anyone else or remove them from lessons.

Children who misbehave or have not been invited to the Live lesson will be removed from the lesson and parents will be contacted.

Half Term

At half term everyone will be having a well-earned break and so there will be no work put onto Teams. This will resume when we return to school. Free school meal vouchers will come direct from the Supermarket during this week and Edenred vouchers will resume after half term.



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Parking

Please could I ask you to respect our neighbours by parking thoughtfully outside school. Just a reminder that Eastwood Court is a private road and must not be parked on or the entrance blocked. Thank you.

School Dinners

Please ensure that, if you want your children to have school dinners, you place their orders on ParentPay in advance. Failure to do so may result in you being asked to bring a packed lunch into school, at short notice. A text message is usually sent out on a Sunday evening as a reminder.

Scooters

We have two scooters that have been left at school. Please contact the school office before half-term if they belong to you and we will keep them safe until you are able to collect them.

Young Voices Celebrating 25 Years

A message from Young Voices

“We are delighted that we have been able to bring back regular YV at Home Elevenses sessions in the past few weeks - we know some of you have already been tuning in.

So every Thursday at 11am David Lawrence, Craig McLeish and Andy Instone are taking it in turns to give you the YV experience live and online on Facebook! All sessions are fun and suitable for key worker children in school and for those at home with their families.

If you can't tune in at that time - don't worry all sessions will be available shortly after the live session on our YouTube channel [YVTV](#).

Let us know what you think!

We would also LOVE to hear what you think of YV at Home so far!

Please fill in this short questionnaire so we can keep offering you sessions that are relevant and helpful to teachers in school and parents at home.”

[**LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THINK HERE**](#)



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Are you interested in teaching?

Are you interested in training to teach?

Do you want to make a difference to local children in local schools?

North Star is partnering with Red Kite Teacher Training to offer a range of exciting new Primary School Direct courses, beginning September 2021. If you would like to find out more, come along to our next Open Evening on Thursday 4th March 2021, 6.30pm. To register for this event, scan the QR code (see attached), or use the link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/138453751899>

We look forward to meeting you soon!

The North Star Teacher Training Team

More information can be found on the school website:-
www.carltonminiottacademy.org