



**Carrick Knowe Primary School
Newsletter
April 2021**

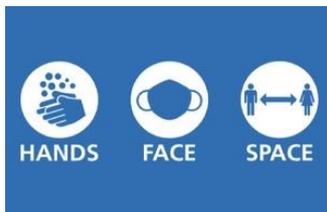


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Dear Parents & Carers,

It has been wonderful having all our CKPS pupils back in school together (well, as together as we can be!!) So far, the return has gone smoothly, and the children have settled back in quickly. Again, a thank you to everyone continuing to socially distance, drop off children at the school gate and wear face coverings and help us keep everyone safe.

As we near the end of term, we would usually be preparing for our Easter Service at St Anne's church. Who would have thought that when it was cancelled last year, we would still be unable to have it there a year later!! Miss Inglis has been working with some of our P7 pupils to bring the CKPS Easter service to the rest of the school over two weeks - Part 1 will be shown this Friday, with Part 2 being shown next Thursday. I hope you are all able to have some time to relax during the Easter holidays and fingers crossed the sun shines for us!



Dates for your diary!

1st April ~ Dress Down/Up Day - See information below.

1st April ~ school closes at the usual time for Easter holidays.



20th April ~ School re-opens for the summer term at our usual time.

20th April ~ Parent Council Meeting via Microsoft Teams at 7pm. All welcome.

Week beg 26th April ~ World of Work Week- due to the current situation, this will be a scaled back version of what we usually organise - more information will follow.

3rd May ~ Holiday - school closed.

4th May ~ Staff Development day. School closed to all pupils. We reopen on **Wednesday 5th May at our usual time.**

6th May ~ Election Day - however our school is **NOT** being used as a polling station and so will remain open as usual.

24th May ~ Holiday - school closed. We re-open on **Tuesday 25th May at our usual time.**

Week beginning 31st May ~ Health Week - more details to follow.

4th June ~ Sports Day -we will send out further information about Sports Day once we have confirmation regarding what we can and cannot do.

Staffing

You may remember that when the rest of us returned to school, Mrs Clark remained working from home until her maternity leave started. Wednesday 24th April is Mrs Clark's last day of work and from then she will have a very well-deserved rest until her baby is born near the end of April. We will of course let you know when Baby Clark arrives!



Parent Consultation Week

This week is Parent Consultation Week and all parents/carers will have been given a time to speak with their child's teacher. I hope these have been useful for you, and as always, I welcome any feedback you may wish to give about these. We are hoping that next session, as restrictions ease, we will be able to offer face to face consultations again!



Reporting to parents/carers

As part of our reporting to parents and carers processes, an end of term summative report will be issued at the end of next term. This will focus primarily on the core subjects of Literacy, Numeracy & Maths, and Health & Wellbeing. It will outline your child's main strengths in these areas and what their next steps are. All pupils will also have the opportunity to comment on their learning in these reports. Next session, we will continue to look at how best we report to parents and carers on their child's learning and progress across the school year as part of our School Improvement Plan.

New Secondary School



P7 - S1 Transition

This year P7 - S1 transition across the city will focus on tasks and activities using the 'Building Resilience' programme. Much of this will take place during the three city wide transition days - 15th, 16th and 17th June. These will be virtual and so our P7 pupils will remain in school instead of going to their secondary school for these three days. Some of the activities will be led by the secondary schools and some by ourselves.

In addition, each P7 pupil will be working on their 'My

World of Work' profile. This profile will move with them to secondary school and they will continue to work on it in S1 and beyond.

Parent Council Dress Up/Dress Down Day

On Thursday 1st April, the last day of this term, children are invited to dress up or dress down to come to school - any Easter bunnies or chicks out there? A donation can be made either via Parent Pay or brought to school on the day.



Finally....

I hope you have a very happy Easter and continue to look forward to the brighter days ahead.



As always, please let us know if you, or anyone you know, requires school information in a different language.

Stay safe and stay well.

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"Every storm runs out of rain."



Maya Angelou

