



Education Resources
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#TeamCarstairs

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Dear Team Carstairs Families
Phew! It has been quite the week here at Team Carstairs HQ! See below for a run down on this week's achievements and plans for next week - the final week of term 2! 😊

Eco Progress - Eco Flag 7 & Polytunnel Progress

We are absolutely thrilled to announce that **we have achieved our seventh Eco Flag**, from Keep Scotland Beautiful. We received notification of this success on Tuesday this week and we are delighted! **Special thanks to Mrs Allan for collating and sending off all of our school evidence**, to be checked for our most recent accreditation. We are all ready well on our way for Eco Flag number 8 - with our **brand new polytunnel now scheduled to be fitted during week beginning 19 February 2024!** We are delighted to now have this purchased and a date in the diary for the installation.

Christmas Extravaganza 2023

We loved welcoming you, our special guests this week, both for our dress rehearsal on Wednesday and our main event on Thursday, for this year's Team Carstairs Christmas Extravaganza. We are **of exceptionally proud all of our children from P1 - P7**. Their on stage performances this Christmas were, we hope you agree, **fantastic**, and clearly demonstrated the level of **effort, commitment and team work**, both from pupils and staff, that had gone in, in the weeks leading up to this one. **A HUGE well done to all - excellent work!** 💙

That same effort, commitment and team work was also clearly demonstrated by our Parent Partnership in all of their Christmas Extravaganza roles too - **thank you Parent Partnership for all of your brilliant work**. We are very grateful for all you do in the lead up to this event, and on the day. A huge amount of this, of course, relies on you, our **Parent Forum's generosity** - thank you so much for all ticket purchases, raffle ticket purchases, raffle / tombola / hamper / book and baking donations received and for your / children's stall involvement - **the kindness and generosity of our community is greatly appreciated**. We extend **warm thanks to all who came along** to support our children, our stalls and our school. 💙

We are absolutely BLOWN AWAY to share with you the total raised for our school this year.....a very GRAND total of £2277.....a HUGE achievement. Thank you all very much indeed. 💙

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Monday 18 December - Christmas Carols Coffee Morning

We look forward to welcoming family members to hear our children sing some **Christmas Carols on Monday at 9.30**. Please make sure you have let us know of your intention to attend. **We need to have firm numbers** and we need to know the names of those attending, and their relationship to our learners. **The link below will close at midday on Sunday 17 December. If you plan to attend, please make sure you have completed the short form below by then. We will not have time on Monday morning to deal with late requests.**

<https://forms.gle/rea9BNSrk9hrzi8W8>

Remaining Dates - Term 2

Monday 18 December – 9.30 – Carol Singing & Coffee Morning – School Hall (*all children should be in full school uniform - this is not a Dress Down or Christmas Jumper Day*). Doors will open to those who have responded to the link above, to start coming in, at 9.20am.

Tuesday 19 December – PM – P1, P2 and P3 Christmas Party * see note below

Wednesday 20 December – PM – P4 and P5 Christmas Party * see note below

Thursday 21 December – PM – P6 and P7 Christmas Party * see note below

** Please note - for parties - if children are home lunch to get changed they can be collected from our office from 12.05 - 12.15 and should return at 1pm. This is the option chosen by most. If home lunch for changing is not an option, pupils from P1 - P3 can come ready for their PM parties in the morning. P4 - P7 pupils can bring their party gear to change into independently at the end of lunchtime. Uniform is expected AM, as far as possible.*

Friday 22 December – **DRESS DOWN DAY** (Christmas jumpers welcome – but entirely optional)

Friday 22 December – 9.15 – Whole School Panto Treat (Hopscotch Theatre Company to our hall)

Friday 22 December – 11.00 – P5 to Beechgrove Care Home to treat residents to some Christmas Carols (*permissions to follow*)

Friday 22 December – School closes at 2.30pm for Festive Break

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

A. Sneddon.

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Head Teacher



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