Thursday 3rd September 2020

**Welcome!**

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are excited to welcome you to Carbeile Junior School and hope that your children settle in and feel part of our Carbeile family very soon. We will be doing that we can to help your children adjust to life back in school and to adjust to how we do things at Carbeile. Their emotional wellbeing is very important to us, especially after the last few months, so we will work hard to support them this year.

Below, you will see an outline of our topics for this year as well as special trips/visitors. These are all provisional bookings and will depend on the current situation and guidance provided from the government. You will receive additional information including dates, times and an exact price for each trip or visitor closer to the event.

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| **Term 1 and Term 2** | **Term 3 and Term 4** | **Term 5 and Term 6** |
| **Topic: Journey Through Time**  Children will learn about life in Britain from the Stone Age to Roman Times. They will look at how life changed for people living in Britain through history, with a focus on their homes, clothes, food and settlements.  **Special Events**   * Stone Age Day * Roman Day (fancy dress costumes optional for this day) | **Topic: From Source to Sea**  Children will learn about the journey water makes from its source, to the sea. They will learn about the major cities and varying landscapes of the United Kingdom. They will also study Monet’s River Art and learn techniques to replicate the style.  **Special Event**   * River Tamar boat trip | **Topic: Our Changing World**  Children will learn about the ever-changing landscape of our country. They will study rocks and learn about coastal changes.  **Special Events**   * Beach trip * Sleepover at the National Marine Aquarium |

In Year 3, PE will be taught on Monday afternoons and Tuesday afternoons. Please ensure your child has their PE kit and water bottle in school on these days.

At Carbeile, we expect children to read at least three times a week, recording each time in their reading record. Children will also be given a weekly spelling sheet of 10 key spelling words. Please help your child to practise and learn these words but there will not be a formal test. Your child will be provided with individual log in cards for Mathletics, Bug Club and Times Table Rock Stars and these will be attached to their reading record. Please encourage your child to access these websites at home as they support skills taught in class.  
  
Each term you will be given home learning tasks (a printed copy and an electronic version will be made available on our website). These are **optional** activities linked to our topic, which can be completed at home to further develop learning. Please encourage your child to complete these whenever possible.

Finally, our aim is to make sure your children are happy – if you have any questions or any queries we have an open door policy so please speak to your child’s class teacher or any other member of our team as we are always more than happy to help.

Here’s to a brilliant year!

The Year 3 Team.