

# Carbury School

The Mall, Sligo.

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

The pupils are working hard and have got off to a great start for Term Two. I would like to emphasise the importance of regular school attendance. The school strongly advises against taking holidays during term time. We do understand, however, that some absences are unavoidable. You must complete an absence note on the school website each time your child is absent. If this is not completed, the absence is recorded as unexplained.

Kind regards,

Ms. McMahon

## Admissions for Junior Infants for the 2024-2025 School Year

We are accepting Application Forms for Admission for September 2024. The closing date is **Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> February**. If you have a child due to start school in Junior Infants this September and have not yet completed an application form, please contact Michaela in the office.

## Sligo Social Services

On the final day of Term One, we held a non-uniform day as a fundraiser for Sligo Social Services. They provide vital services to those most in need. We raised **€210** for this worthy cause. Thank you very much to everyone who supported this cause.

## Parent Association

As a school we are very grateful to the Parent Association for organising the Festive Flower Demonstration, Christmas cards, cake sale and raffle before Christmas. They also gifted a lovely treat to each pupil to enjoy after the Carol Service. Thanks to the fundraising efforts of the Parent Association, the cost of swimming has been greatly reduced for parents. In addition, the Parent Association will contribute to music lessons, P.E. coaching and playground equipment. Supporting school fundraisers makes a significant difference to the school and the funds raised directly benefit your children.



## School Website

[www.carburyschool.com](http://www.carburyschool.com)

## Parent-Teacher Meetings for Pupils in Junior Infants

Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> January and Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> February

## Public Holiday

The school will be closed on **Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> February**.

## February Mid-Term Break

The school will be closed on **Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> February** and **Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> February** for the mid-term break.

## Cash for Clobber

The Parent Association hopes to hold a clothing collection in due course. Please hold onto items that that would be suitable for recycling. More information to follow.

## World Book Day

Pupils will have the opportunity to dress up as a character from a book on **Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> March**. The PA will also organise a book swap to celebrate World Book Day where families donate children's books they are finished with and then each child chooses a book to bring home.

## Dates for Swimming Lessons

Pupils in the senior classes will avail of swimming lessons over the course of six Tuesdays.

- **5th and 6th Classes:** 9<sup>th</sup> January – 13<sup>th</sup> February
- **3rd and 4th Classes:** 20<sup>th</sup> February – 9<sup>th</sup> April

A big thank you to the dads who have volunteered to help supervise swimming lessons.

## Postal Bible School Prizegiving

The Postal Bible School Prizegiving will take place on **Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> January at 7 pm** in the ATU Knocknarea Arena. All pupils will receive prizes for the work they completed in Bible Time lessons.

## Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day is an EU wide initiative to promote a safer internet for all users, especially young people. Safer Internet Day 2024 will take place on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024 with the theme “Tech in our World”.

## Road Safety

Here in Carbury School, road safety is very important to us. It is paramount that we prioritise the safety of the children in our care.



## School Self-Evaluation

We are very proud of the excellent standard of behaviour in our school.

As part of our School Self-Evaluation Process, we wish to adopt a common set of school standards throughout the school. These standards are also reflected in our revised Code of Behaviour.

## Road Safety

- ▶ Parents/guardians **must not park or stop** their cars on the **roundabout** near the school gates, on the **double yellow lines** or on any part of the **footpath**.
- ▶ Parents/guardians must park their car in an appropriate place and then walk to the school gates.
- ▶ Children need to **be aware of cars coming out from the Grammar School gate**.
- ▶ Children waiting outside the gates in the morning should stand on the footpath at all times, show good manners and be mindful of the younger children.
- ▶ Young children should be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

## Carbury School Standards

1. **Walk quietly in the corridors and on the stairs, always on the left.**
2. **Stand back in doorways/paths to allow adults to pass.**
3. **One voice at any one time and face the speaker.**
4. **Raise your hand to speak in group settings.**
5. **Use good manners.**
6. **Use kind words and gentle hands.**
7. **Be tolerant and value each person.**
8. **Respect each member of the school community.**
9. **Respect school property and the property of others.**
10. **Our pupils leave all mobile phones and personal smart devices at home.**