

Issue 2
October 2025

Carbury School

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IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, 15th October:
Flu Vaccine for Children.

Monday, 20th October:
School Closed (Whole-Staff Training in Child Protection).

Friday, 24th October:
Non-Uniform Day.

Monday, 27th October - Friday, 31st October:
School Closed for Mid-Term Break.

Monday, 3rd November:
School Re-Opens.

Friday, 12th December at 10 am: Carol Service in Calry Church. Followed by the Cake Sale in the School Hall.

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

The pupils are working very hard with their teachers in all areas of the curriculum. We continue to embed our school standards and encourage good manners. It is always lovely to hear the pupils greeting staff members and saying “please” and “thank you”.

Warm regards,
Ms. McMahan

Parent-Teacher Meetings

The parent-teacher meetings will take place on **Tuesday, 18th November and Wednesday, 19th November** in the school for pupils from Senior Infants to 6th Class.

We will use the online booking system on Aladdin where you can choose the time and date for your meeting. You will receive a notice on Aladdin when these become available.

If your child receives **additional support** in school, we will get in touch using the Aladdin Noticeboard to organise meetings on **Tuesday, 21st October and Wednesday, 22nd October**.

Please note that the parent-teacher meetings for pupils in Junior Infants will take place at the end of January.

School Activities

Sporting Events

Pupils from the senior classes recently took part in the SuperValu Athletics Fest. Well done to everyone involved for representing the school with such enthusiasm. They displayed excellent team spirit and respect as they competed in a range of events.

Congratulations also to the pupils who represented Carbury in the Cross Country competition. Charlotte achieved an impressive 4th place and will now go on to compete in the Connacht Schools Cross Country.

The 5th and 6th Class boys and girls also participated in the Cumann na mBunscol Mini 7s in Calry, where they faced teams from three other schools. Both teams enjoyed great success on the day – the girls won two of their three matches, while the boys went unbeaten, winning all their games and qualifying for the next round. A special congratulations to Sarah, who won the kicking competition and will also progress to the next stage.

Music Lessons and P.E. Coaching

We would like to welcome Oliver Malins to Carbury School as our new music teacher. Pupils in all classes from Junior Infants to 6th class benefit from music lessons with Oliver. In September, pupils enjoyed two days of gymnastics lessons with Angel.

Literacy Lift Off

First Class started a six-week literacy programme on the 6th October. Literacy Lift Off is a very beneficial initiative for pupils to develop their literacy skills.

Maths Week

The staff and pupils will celebrate Maths Week in school this month. Maths Week runs from the 11th to the 19th October. Pupils will have lots of different opportunities to see Maths used in real-life scenarios.



Administration of Medicines

Children who are unwell and on short-term medication should not be in school.

If children have specific health problems requiring on-going medication during school hours, parents should follow the procedure set out in the Administration of Medicines Policy on our school website. Parents will need to complete an Administration of Medication Form which is also on the website in the Policies section.



Open Evening Wednesday, 12th November 5 pm - 6 pm

We will hold an Open Evening in our school for prospective parent(s)/guardian(s) who have children ready to start school in September 2026 or September 2027.

This will be an opportunity for families to visit our school, learn about the Primary Curriculum Framework and find out more about various aspects of school life such as Green Schools, Active Schools, STEM and the Parent Association.

The admissions process for Junior Infants starting school in September 2026 will open in November 2025. We will have copies of our Application Form for Admission available on the day.

For pupils starting in September 2027, we will set up a mailing list so we can notify families when the admissions process opens in November 2026.

Parent Association News

Following a very successful Parent Association AGM, we look forward to working with the PA again this year. Pupils will soon begin work on their designs for our Christmas Card Fundraiser.

The Parent Association has already commenced work on preparations for our Christmas Cake Sale.



Say Yes to Languages

5th and 6th Class pupils are participating in Say Yes to Languages where teachers from the Grammar School introduce the children to German, French and Spanish over the course of 10 weeks. This is an exciting opportunity for our senior pupils.



Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal

It is a school tradition to support the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal. If you would like to take part, the shoeboxes will be collected after the October mid-term break.

Thursday, 6th November will be the final day for collection. We have sent home the leaflet with the necessary information today.

Team Hope recommends the following for filling a shoebox:

'Please put in a selection of small gifts from the options below: (but out of respect for the children we ask that all items be new, or good as new)'

TO WRITE – Items for school – like a pen, pencil, copy book, paper, colouring book, felt pens, sharpener, eraser, solar calculator.

TO WASH – Some hygiene items – toothbrush and toothpaste, soap (wrapped please), facecloth, hairbrush, comb.

TO WEAR – Small clothing items – a hat, scarf, gloves, socks, etc.

To WOW – Something the child will enjoy.

Non-Uniform Day in aid of Sligo Social Services

On **Friday, 24th October** we will hold a non-uniform day in aid of Sligo Social Services. There will be an Aladdin Money Collection closer to the date. Suggested amount of €5 per family.

The children should dress appropriately on this day. **Fancy dress is not allowed.** As this is a P.E. day, the children will need to **wear runners as normal.**

Sligo Social Services serves the community through the provision of targeted services which improve the quality of life of individuals and families in the Northwest of Ireland.



Getting in touch with the school

The teachers in Carbury School are committed to working with parents to ensure we do our best for the children in our care.

If you would like to speak about a matter affecting your child, please follow procedure by contacting the school to arrange a time to speak to your child's class teacher.

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