

THE CARLTON ACADEMY

WEEKLY BULLETIN



Does your child have work they're truly proud of? We want to celebrate it! Starting Friday 5 December we're launching the TCA Proud Station. Every Friday during break time students can bring their homework or class work and share their hard work with staff. Every participant will receive a small reward for their incredible efforts. Let's make Fridays a time to shine together and celebrate!

Let's spread some holiday cheer! We're collecting donations to support Hope Nottingham and Bag of Blessings; every little bit of help makes the season brighter for families who need it most. Each tutor group will be given tote bags to put their collections in.

This week's activities

As a school we want to keep our community informed about staying Smart Online by tackling Misinformation and Disinformation together. As we have settled into the new academic year, we want to take a moment to focus on something that affects us all, how we understand and share information online. In a world full of social media, news apps, and digital conversations, it's easy to come across content that isn't quite true. That's why this month, we're exploring how misinformation and disinformation can impact our learning, relationships, and wellbeing and what we can do about it. Please find more information [Here](#).

The annual Christmas fair will be held this upcoming week on Thursday 4 December 2025 6pm to 7:30pm. The fair will have a variety of market-style stalls selling crafts, ornaments and food as well as live performances and music. There will be something for everyone to enjoy! Please find the poster [Here](#).

Do you have any gardening supplies, seeds or tools you no longer use? Gary the Gardener carries out sessions with some of our KS3 students, teaching them physical practical skills outside the typical curriculum. These sessions are an amazing way of helping our students develop into skilful young people, promoting independent thinking and creative problem solving. If you have any supplies you could donate to help us cultivate this learning they would be thoroughly appreciated. Please note that any dangerous tools or equipment must be donated by an adult and not by the students themselves.



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Shuffle, Deal and Play – It's UNO time! Come join fellow students for a game where fortunes can change with a single card. Will you be the master of the wild card, or fall victim to a sneaky +4? Every Thursday Period 6 in the open area.



This week's activities

Well done to the Year 7 boys football team who played an amazing match against George Spencer; they all showed sportsmanship. Well done to Alex who scored a goal, Noah with a great save at the end of the game and to Sean who scored twice!

The Science Department are running a trip to the National Space Centre trip on Monday 9 February 2026. All Year 7 pupils who have had 90%+ attendance (including authorised absences) and no serious behaviour sanctions will receive an invitation in the coming weeks. The trip will support pupils with the Space topic that they will be studying in their Science lessons in the Spring Term. We look forward to seeing your child on the trip!

Some of our KS3 students have sessions with Gary the Gardener, learning physical practical skills outside the typical curriculum. This week they were gaining confidence in skills such as drilling and woodworking, building bird boxes from scrap pieces of wood in preparation for the colder weather to come. These sessions are an amazing way of helping our students develop into skillful young people, promoting independent thinking and creative problem solving.

Congratulations to the Year 7 girls Football team who won the CVL plate! They all played amazingly well, and the win is thoroughly deserved. They played in some tough conditions, and they always put there heart and soul into every game. All of the members of the team will be receiving a medal and the trophy will be with us soon!



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Is your child interested in becoming part of our Sixth Form but needs a bit of support with their application? The Sixth Form will be hosting an application week from 2 December where students will be invited to the Sixth Form area and offered support with their application. This will also be an opportunity for them to talk to our current Sixth Formers and ask them about their experience and ask questions about what our fantastic Sixth Form has to offer them.

This week's activities

Well done to the Year 10 girls football team! They competed in and won at the County Cup tournament at Hall Park on Tuesday 11 November 2025.

Thank you to all the Year 11 students who have worked hard focusing on their mock exams over the last two weeks. Knowing what to expect and being ready for the exam environment is vital in being as prepared as possible for their GCSE exams in the summer. For the Year 11 students who take Food, please remember that the Food practical mock will be taking place next week.



English Poetry revision sessions take place at lunch time in the Theatre. For information about what days and which poems will be covered, please find the timetable [Here](#), along with useful resources for revising both English Language and Literature.

Year 11's please click [here](#) to find a range of revision materials for both English Language and English Literature.

Continue your Carlton journey by applying to our Sixth Form! Applications for current Year 11 students are open and can be accessed on Applicaa or through the website [here](#). Deadlines for applications is Friday 19 December 2025, hoping to recieve your applications soon!



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The Year 12 Enrichment Trip takes place on Tuesday 2 December at Nottingham Tenpin. This is a fantastic opportunity to promote teamwork, social interaction and well-being among our Sixth Form cohort, whilst complementing their academic studies with a valuable off-site experience.

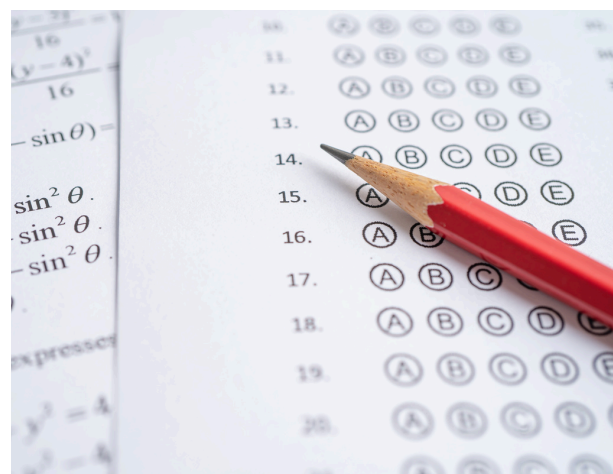


Upcoming events

A reminder that Year 12 Tutor Reviews take place on Thursday 11 December 2025. Appointments will be made and held online via School Cloud. This meeting provides an important opportunity to review your child's academic progress and discuss how they have adapted to life in the Sixth Form.

Year 13 Mock Exams will be taking place in the new year starting on Monday 12 January 2026. This is an important part of their exam preparation, and it is vital they prepare themselves over the next month.

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Year 13 student UCAS application deadline is 14 January 2026. If any support or guidance is needed to complete their application, please ask students to contact the Sixth Form team.

