

January Newsletter

2026



Principal's Corner



A Fresh Start: Making Every Moment Count in Semester 2

Welcome back, Carberry families!

I hope your winter break was filled with rest, laughter, and quality time with loved ones. Walking through the halls this week, the energy is palpable. There is something truly special about the "January Reset"—it's a chance to take everything we learned in the first half of the year and apply it with renewed focus.

As we dive into the second semester, I want to highlight two ingredients that are essential for student success: **Consistent Attendance** and **Mental Presence**.

Why Showing Up Matters

Success starts with being here. When students miss school, they don't just miss a lesson; they miss the social connections, the hands-on discoveries, and the momentum that builds from one day to the next. Our goal this semester is to ensure every student at Carberry is in their classroom, ready to learn, every single day.

Beyond Just Being Here

While physical attendance is the first step, **"Mental Presence"** is what turns a school day into a breakthrough. We are encouraging our students to bring their "whole selves" to class—to be curious, to ask questions, and to engage deeply with their peers.

How you can help from home:

- **Establish a Routine:** A consistent bedtime and morning "launch" help students arrive calm and ready.
- **The "One Thing" Conversation:** Instead of asking "How was school?", try asking "What is one thing you were proud of today?" to help them reflect on their engagement.
- **Prioritize Rest:** A well-rested brain is a present brain!

The second half of the year often moves quickly, filled with growth spurts—both academic and personal. Let's work together to make sure our students are here, engaged, and empowered to finish the year strong.

We are so glad to have your children back in our classrooms. Let's make this semester the best one yet!

Warmly,

Greg Alexander

Principal, Carberry Elementary

Important Dates

January 2026

6th- Second Semester Starts
12th- PTO Meeting 4:00 PM
12th- NASA Meeting 4:00-5:00 PM
19th-**SCHOOL IS IN SESSION**-Martin
Luther King Jr. Day
26th- Huskie Explorers 3:50-5:15 PM
(Session 3/Week 1)



Looking Ahead



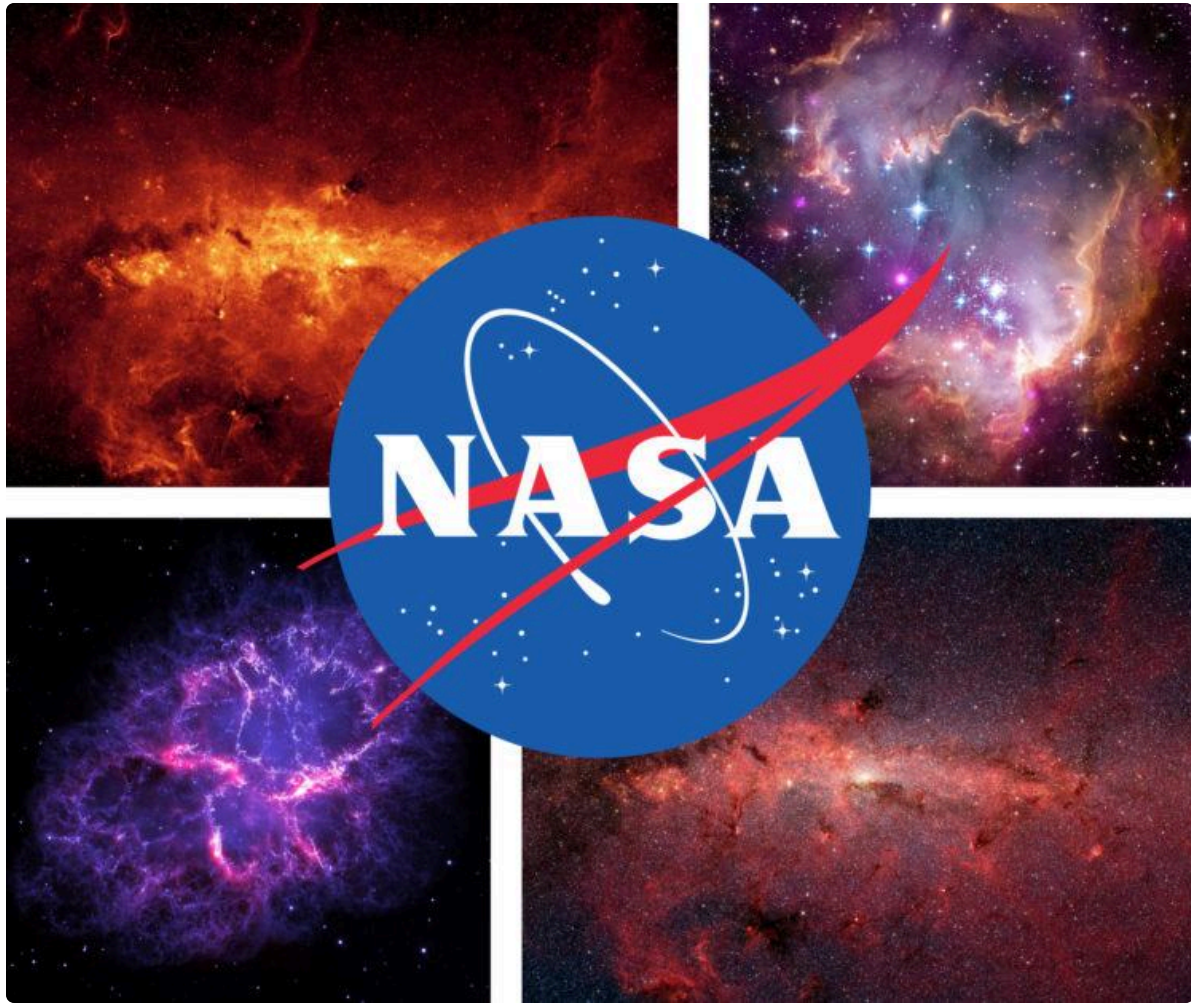
February

2nd- Huskie Explorers 3:50-5:15 PM (Session 3/Week 2)
9th- PTO Meeting 4:00 PM
9th- Huskie Explorers 3:50-5:15 PM (Session 3/Week 3)
16th-President's Day-**school IS in session**
16th- Huskie Explorers 3:50-5:15 PM (Session 3/Week 4)
19th-Carberry's Got Talent
23rd- NASA Meeting 4:00-5:00 PM

PTO Meeting January 12th at 4:00 PM

NASA Specialists

NASA Specialist Meeting: Monday, January 12, 2026 from 4:00 - 5:00 PM
In House Project with Mrs. Richards



Nurses Corner

Needed:

Boys and girls size 4/5 tops and pants

Girls socks sizes 10T -2Y

Please only donate dress code appropriate items

Thank you!

Change of Plans for How Your Child Goes Home?

If there is a change of plans for how your child is to go home...

Please call the **OFFICE** if you need to change the plans for how your child will get home. When the office is not informed, it can cause miscommunication. Children can miss the bus, or parents come to pick them up, and they are on the bus. Also, teachers do not have time to look at their messages about a change of plans. Thank you for understanding!

If Your Child Is Going To Be Absent...

Have you either called or emailed **THE OFFICE** to let us know **EVEN if you've informed their teacher**? Please call before 8:15 AM or after 8:45 AM because the office is super busy during this time. 208-365-0839 cesattendance@isd221.net Thank you!

Also, if your child has a doctor/dentist/counseling appointment, please remember to bring the office **a note from the doctor**.

