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A word from the CEO



JAMES TOSE COMMUNITY SPORTS TRUST CEO

"Welcome to another packed newsletter in which I hope you all will agree that there has been some fantastic work going on in our community by the brilliant CST staff. One of the most pleasing aspects has been the amount of Player appearances, visiting many of our community projects engaging with all taking part. A particular highlight was the recognition by the EFL for our Komatsu Climate Heroes project. To be shortlisted nationally for the 'Green Club' Award is something that everyone connected to Carlisle United and Komatsu should be very proud of. A huge well done to all the staff involved. Lastly, I'd like to thank all our charity partners for their continued support, and I'm delighted to welcome Tech4 office supplies and Saint & Co who have kindly joined our charity partner scheme."

"Enjoy the Newsletter!"





Delivery

World Book Day in early March provided a fantastic opportunity for a book drop tour around local primary schools with Olga in tow to hand out bags of books to the children. Our road trip saw us visit Gilsland Church of England Primary School, Great Corby School and Kingmoor Junior School, donating over 150 books in the process. We celebrated International Women's Day in March. Our coaches participated in the FA's 'Biggest Ever Football Session' initiative, delivering sessions to over 100 girls in local schools. At halftime of the Blues game against AFC Wimbledon, our Girls Emerging Talent Centre players completed a lap of honour, highlighting a project which inspires so many girls in across our community.

Belle Vue Primary School travelled to Cochrane Park in Newcastle to represent Carlisle United in the Premier League Primary Stars Cup. They had a superb day reaching the semi-finals before a tour of St James' Park and some PL Primary Stars-based activities. After winning the local stage of the EFL Kids Cup, St Catherine's Catholic Primary School took on the best of the

North-West at the Stanley Sports Hub in Accrington and missed out on a semi-final place by a point despite their best efforts. It was amazing to have the firstever CST Fun Run at the end of March, with 200 runners taking part in an excellent morning. Jenna Piatak DeMasi and Nick DeMasi were present to start the race and hand out medals. Our Easter half-term activities took place in five locations across the county with our first girls-only

Soccer School in Whitehaven a

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great success.



Education

Four students on our Football Development Scholarship have been honoured for their work on and off the pitch this term. First Year Learner of the Term went to Jamie Mulholland, who has shown great dedication in the classroom, while Connah Macrae has shone in strong performances for the C team, achieving Player of the Term. Jacob Moore's impressive academic efforts have seen him pick up Second Year Learner of the Term and Jade Taylor's control of the midfield for the title challenging Girls' side means she was named

Player of the Term in her year group. Congratulations to those who achieved awards.

The Community and Education Football Alliance League season is coming to a close with our teams' final fixtures fast approaching. Our A side have twice faced title-challenging Fleetwood Town A in March and April, losing at home before winning in dramatic fashion at Poolfoot Farm, meaning they sit fifth with four games to play. The B's have gained seven points from 12 in the last two months, scoring ten goals in the process, leaving them sixth with three to go. Fixtures have been limited for our

C's in April but picked up six points in March, which sees them in seventh place. And our Girls' team have a chance to win the league with double headers against Birmingham City and Nottingham Forest potentially season-defining.

We have had two organisations speak to our first years regarding scholarship and university opportunities in America as a potential exit route at the end of the course. 219 Sports Group and Future Pro USA gave informative talks on the potential process.















Inclusion

Participants from our Football For All session had a wonderful time welcoming the players as flag bearers before the Blues faced Walsall on March 7 2025. This was highlighting Level Playing Field's Unite for Access campaign, who aim to create a fairer match day experience for disabled fans. We also got participants from various groups to wear the t-shirts to show support for the initiative.

We have had a host of players attend our Premier League Fans Fund sessions across April. Anton Dudik, Will Patching, Jake Allan Elliot Embleton, Sam Hetherington, Archie Davies and Georgie Kelly all visited local secondary schools to talk about their experiences of fan behaviour. The attendance of players at these sessions has been vital in conveying the message of how fan behaviour affects the team.

Pupils from James Rennie School, Hexham Priory and Branthwaite Academy enjoyed a pitch tour and football activities before finishing with small-sided matches at the Neil Sports Centre.

A team from our Premier League Kicks sessions ventured to Preston to play in

the PL Kicks Cup tournament. The lads were competitive, picking up a couple of wins.

Social Historian Tony Mason recently visited United in Memories sharing insightful information about the history of Carlisle from the 1900s onwards. Tony also went to our Silver Foxes and Veterans sessions where he discussed Carlisle's floods.

Our Foodbank collection before the Blues played Port Vale was well-supported with numerous bags donated.







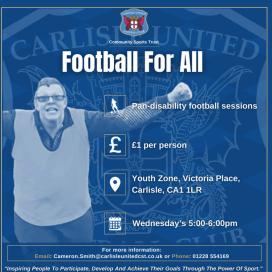






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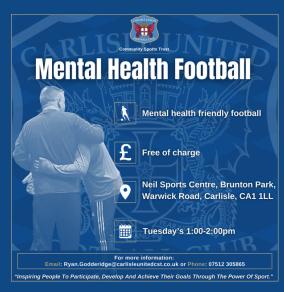










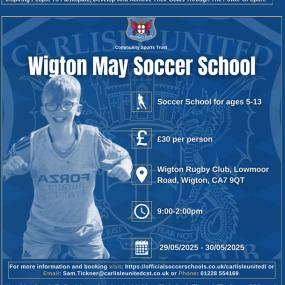




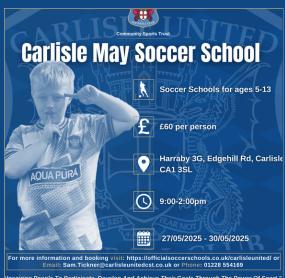
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