



Challenge, Creativity, Compassion: Create a pure heart in me – Psalm 51:10

Friday 28th April 2023

Prayer of the week

Dear God

We thank you for all the people that help to
Make the world a better place, that we have a chance to learn and
go to school and have a warm bed to sleep in.

Amen

By Sophia

Dear Parents/Carers,

I really enjoyed my first two days at Cavendish this week. It has been lovely meeting the children (including teaching Year 4 all about the 7 times table) and getting to know the brilliant staff that you have here. It has also been great to meet a few of you on the gate too - please feel free to come and say hello when I am out there. I look forward to meeting the Neptune parents on Tuesday at our Thorpe Woodlands Meeting after school.

I hope that you make the most of the bank holiday weekend and we all look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday.

Warm regards

Mr. Gray

Pupil Voice: "Our class news"

Mars: "We have been learning about mini beasts in Mars class. These are things like spiders, caterpillars and ladybirds. Ladybirds are my favourite; they've got six legs and spiders have got eight. We did lots of learning about them, then we got to draw pictures of them in art." Pearl

Jupiter: "Our topic this term is The Great Fire of London. It started in a bakery on Pudding Lane on the 2nd September 1666; this was a Sunday. In Music we learned and sang Fire of London songs about the River Thames, Pudding Lane and even a song about The Bakery." Ava

Saturn: "In Maths this week we've been learning the differences between digital and analogue time, including AM and PM. For topic, we are studying Ancient Egypt this term. We made covers for our topic books with silhouettes of pyramids. Some people made a hot sunset background, and others made a starry sky effect. Then we mixed gold paint with glue to make it look really special and used real sand for texture." Quinn

Neptune: "This week in Maths we have been focusing on making line graphs. We have been mapping journey times on them and also looking at converting. We started our topic on Early Islamic Culture and we studied The Prophet Muhammad, who is a messenger of Allah." Sophia

School news

Vacancy for Parent Governor

The Governing Body of the school currently has a vacancy for a volunteer Parent Governor and would like to hear from any parents who would like to find out more about this role. Governors will be holding an information session on Thursday 4th May at 3.30pm in the School Hall and attendance is essential for any parent considering taking on this challenging but rewarding role. Please can you contact the school office if you are able to attend.

A big 'Thank you'

Children in Neptune class took time out to write thank you letters to the PTFA, which were very gratefully received. Children expressed gratitude for all the great things the PTFA do for the school, including raising money for resources and putting on event, with special thanks given for the Strawberry Fayre and school discos – two of the pupils' favourite events. PTFA members explains, "Having these letters from the children is so special. Every minute we put into fundraising is time well spent when the children tell us first-hand how much it means to them."

Coronation cards for The King

With excitement building about the upcoming Coronation of King Charles III, the children have been getting into the spirit of the celebrations with a competition to make a Coronation card for the King, in partnership with local MP James Cartlidge. James explains, "I've invited primary schools in South Suffolk to put forward card designs to be sent to the King on behalf of my South Suffolk constituents, to wish him well on this historic occasion. A winning design will be selected from the entries put forward and will be professionally printed and sent to the King at Buckingham Palace."

When creating their card designs, children considered Suffolk connections such as landscape, and royal links such as the crown. Some beautiful, creative and thoughtful art works have been selected and sent to James for the next round of judging.



Eats school menu for Tuesday 2nd May

A special 'Kings Coronation' picnic lunch will be available on Tuesday 2nd May. There will be no other school meal options on this day. Should we have appropriate weather, the children will be able to have their Coronation picnic lunch outside. Fingers crossed for a lovely spring day!



Lunchtime activity

Children had lots of fun this week making 'fidgets' and bracelets with Mrs Stone at lunchtime. With teamwork and perseverance, the children learned new skills, used their fine motor skills and had lots of fun making trinkets in all different colours and combinations.





Prestige sports clubs

We are delighted to offer Dodgeball & Football Club as after school clubs this term. Dodgeball on Mondays and Football on Thursdays with Coach Branham (Mr Ince).

Please use the following link to book your space:

<https://prestige-sports.class4kids.co.uk/term/155>

Don't forget if you haven't been before you can try the clubs for free to see if you like it by booking a free trial.

Book Buddy days

A reminder of 'Book Buddy' days for this term:

Monday – Mars class

Tuesday – Saturn class

Wednesday – Neptune class

Thursday – Jupiter class

School meal price increase and new menu

Due to the increase in costs of food, transport and staffing the price of providing school meals has risen. From the 1st of April the charge has increased to £2.60 per meal. The new menu is available to view on the school website.

Parent picnic and Sports Day - 19th June 2023



Sports day will take place on Monday 19th June at 1.15pm on the village green. Parents and carers are invited into school to share a picnic lunch with your children in the school grounds before sports day commences. If the weather is not suitable on this day the picnic and sports day will be on Monday 26th June.

Dates for Statutory Assessments

KS2 SAT's - 9th-12th May 2023

KS1 SAT's - 15th-19th May 2023

KS1 Phonics Screening – Week commencing 12th June 2023

Year 4 Time table screening - will take place between 5th and 16th June 2023

PTFA Monthly Update

Following some recent PTFA meetings, planning is underway for our summer fete on 26th May. We do need a few more volunteers to help set up and/or host some traditional stalls and games on the day. If you, your partner or a grandparent can spare the time that day, please let our Chair Louise King know. We will also soon be collecting unopened bottles for the tombola at the summer fete (alcohol, soft drinks, sauces, beauty products etc) so perhaps over the holidays you could please check your cupboards (or relatives' cupboards!) for anything you can spare! Charlotte Halsall (Mars) will be kindly collecting these after Easter during morning drop-offs.

A big thank you to David Burr Clare for sponsoring our library this month and to Rosehip Hair Design for April's library sponsorship, resulting in a bag of new books being delivered to the school library, alongside additional 'World Book Day' surplus books which were kindly donated by Harris and Harris in Clare.

Finally, we understand that Mars class would love an additional 'Fresh Air Friday' volunteer - please get in touch with the school directly if you can help.

We are still on the hunt for a new Treasurer, if you (or your partner) can help, please contact our Chair, Louise King, on 07789 990894. Many thanks and Happy Easter!

Community news

Make a Coronation Crown competition



Cavendish Community Council

Best children's crown 

Sunday 7th May 2023 2pm on The Green

make a crown  to wear

Rules

home made

not shop bought

not from the Tower of London

must be able to move 5m, wearing the crown



Prize

Ceramics craft session at Create in Sudbury for 4 people

Cavendish Brownies

The Cavendish Brownies meet at Cavendish C of E Primary School on Tuesday evenings during term time only. Brownies is on between 6pm-7.30pm and are for girls 7-9 years old. For further information email Rebecca (Leader 1st Cavendish Brownies) at cavendishguiding@gmail.com.

Community Pantry @ St Marys Church - Moved to Clare Church

Reverend Mark has advised that the Cavendish Community Pantry has been moved to Clare Church. Please take what you need and leave what you can. Should you need any further financial assistance please contact Reverend Mark.

Guitar & piano lessons with Up Beat Tuition

Dear Families - we have space starting at half term for guitar or piano lessons at Cavendish Primary School. These are taught one2one on Thursday afternoon during the school day. The lessons are £18 per half hour lesson and payable termly (half term payments are accepted). If you would like to take a space on these lessons or for more information, please contact info@up-beat-tuition.co.uk or message 07834628470.

Dates for your diary



- Year 6 Crucial Crew – 17th May 2023
- Neptune Class activity day trip – 19th May 2023
- Spring Dance Festival and Fete – 26th May 2023 from 1.15pm –All invited
- Mars Class trip to Gainsborough House – 9th June 2023 (details to follow)
- Picnic and Sports Day – 19th June, picnic onsite 11.45-12.45, sports day to commence at 1.15pm

School term and holiday dates 2022/2023

Summer term

- Bank Holiday Monday 1st May
- Bank Holiday Monday 8th May
- Half term Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June
- Last day Thursday 20 July
- PD Day Friday 21 July

School Term and Holiday dates 2023/2024

Autumn Term

- PD Days Friday 1 and Monday 4 September
- Children Start Tuesday 5 September
- Half term Monday 23 October to Friday 27 October
- Last day Thursday 21 December

Spring Term

- PD Day Friday 5 January
- Children Start Monday 8 January
- Half term Monday 19 to Friday 23 February
- Last day Thursday 28 March

Summer Term

- PD Day Friday 12 April
- Children Start Monday 15 April
- Bank Holiday Monday 6 May
- PD Day Friday 24 May
- Half term Monday 27 May to Friday 2 June
- Last day Friday 19 July