

Cavendish Church of England Primary School

Newsletter - Autumn Term 2020

Friday 25th September 2020 No: 004

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



Prayer of the week – by William

Dear God,

Thank you for creating our beautiful, tranquil universe where we live.

Thank you for stopping conflict and curing terrible illnesses.

You have done so much for our wonderful universe.

We pray that our school may be as happy as our thriving environment.

Amen

Headteacher Awards

Headteacher awards this week were given to Jessica - Mars Class; Amelia – Jupiter Class, Benjamin – Saturn Class, Michael - Neptune Class.

Weaver's Project

Creative Young Weavers is a weaving project for primary schools linked to the silk industry of Sudbury. Sudbury has a unique history of silk production going back over 300 years and continues to produce silk cloth with a reputation around the world for excellence. Pupils will work with textile artist Frin Arnold to participate in individual activities to create woven samples. Please ensure you child has returned the media consent form.

As part of this project we are hoping to hear of any families who have local links to the Sudbury Silk Industry. Perhaps you have a family member who has connections with the industry, in which case we would be delighted to hear from you.

Data Collection Sheets, Permission Forms and Home School Agreement

Thank you to families for their prompt return of the Data Collection Sheets, Permission Forms, Home School Agreement, Consent Form and club letters. Under current health criteria it is essential we have a range of contact numbers to ensure your child can be promptly collected from school if required. A message for any incomplete forms or forms which have not been returned will be in children's book bags on Monday.

School visits for Reception Class 2021 entry

We are able to accommodate requests for families to visit our school on an after school basis to support the school risk assessment for Covid-19 and social distancing. Please note that visits must be booked in advance via the school office.

After School Clubs

After school clubs have now started. We are able to accommodate every request and so individual place allocations have not been sent on this occasion. Saturn and Jupiter class children will have their club on their PE day and will already be in their sports clothing. Children in Neptune class who are attending the club, may come to school in their PE kit on Tuesdays as we cannot permit changing on site. Any child in Neptune class who is not attending the sports club should come in full school uniform. A reminder that clubs finish at **4.00pm**.

Car Parking and Village Play Area

Could we please request that families are vigilant in ensuring that children do NOT play in and amongst staff cars. Additionally, we request your support for observing Government guidance regarding the rule of

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six and ask you to bear this in mind when using the public play equipment and collecting your child after school.

Counterfeit £5 notes

We would ask all families to be vigilant regarding any cash payments they may receive or make. The school has been advised that there are counterfeit £5 notes in circulation, some of which have been received in school.

Free School Meals

We are aware that many families have been affected financially through changes to working patterns during the pandemic. If your circumstances at home have changed and you feel you may now be eligible, please see the information below to check if your child is eligible. If you are able to apply online, you will receive an immediate response or please call 0345 606 6067 for advice.

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-meals-uniforms-and-trips/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

Your child will get free school meals if you receive any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit but **no element of Working Tax Credit** and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenues & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190
- If you are supported under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Working Tax Credit during the four-week period immediately after your employment finishes or after you start to work fewer hours per week
- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400 (£616.67 per month), as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).

Children who are entitled to Free School Meals are also eligible for additional funding to support their learning and wellbeing under the Pupil Premium Scheme. We would therefore encourage all families to register even if your child is in receipt of Universal Free School Meals (Years R, 1 & 2), or is a committed eater of home packed lunches.

Mars Class – Scarecrows scare all the birds away to stop them eating the wheat. We have been learning lots about Autumn. - Billy

Jupiter Class – We've been learning about Florence Nightingale. She is famous. She was a nurse and she helped sick people. - Phoebe

Saturn Class – In Saturn class we have written our own stories based on Fantastic Mr Fox using our own animals. We have also been exploring the way rocks are eroded and did a science investigation to explore this. We tested which rocks were the most hard-wearing for a footpath. – Saturn Class

Neptune Class – This week we have been learning about Charles Dickens in English. In Maths we have finished rounding and now we are doing negative numbers. In Topic we are writing a Sudbury Silk Weavers question sheet for our Arts Award book. In PSHE we are learning about bullying and what to do if you are being bullied. - Matilda

Government Advice

We have been asked to signpost parents to updated information about how to order a Covid-19 test and also includes the link for stay at home guidance, should this be necessary.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>

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School Term and Holiday dates 2020/2021

Autumn Term

PD Day	Tuesday 1 and Wednesday 2 September
Children Start	Thursday 3 September
Half term	Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October
Last day	Thursday 17 December
PD Day	Friday 18 December

Spring Term

PD Day	Monday 4 January
Children Start	Tuesday 5 January
Half term	Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February
Last day	Friday 26 March

Summer Term

PD Day	Monday 12 April
Children Start	Tuesday 13 April
Half term	Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June
Last day	Tuesday 20 July