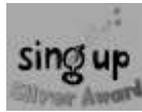


Cavendish Church of England Primary School

Newsletter - Summer Term 2020

Friday 5th June 2020 No: 033

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



Prayer of the week – by Harley

Dear God,

We are grateful for time together to learn and relax.

We say thank you for all our friends who are here with us today.

Amen

A huge welcome back to our children in Year 1 and Reception who have returned to school and also to our extended group of Key Worker children. It has been lovely to see the enthusiasm and energy with which they are applying themselves to learning, play and social time together. A big thank you to our existing Key Worker children who have been able to model social distancing and safety criteria in school. We are really impressed at how well the children have adapted to their new routines and guidelines, and are showing respect and care for each other within their own bubble groups. All children were exemplary in our recent fire drill.

Headteacher Awards

Headteacher awards this week were given to Matthew - Mars Bubble, Quinn – Jupiter Bubble, Phoebe – Key Worker Bubble.

Health and Wellbeing Excellence Award

We are delighted to share that we have been awarded the Gold Level of the Health and Wellbeing Excellence Award standards as this reflects our interested school offer and wellbeing provision this year. We have been at Silver Status for several years and the assessor recognised the increased range and quality of provision in our offer to reach Gold. Further details can be found on our website under 'Whole Child, Healthy Lifestyle Statement'.

Key Worker Provision

Please note that once Key Worker places are allocated, these are available for full time provision as the table and equipment will not be used by any other child. If you have any queries, please phone the school.

Learning Pack 5

Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 will continue to be supported through home learning packs and learning pack 5 will be for the period 8th -19th June and available for collection from Monday 8th June. To support social distancing we are requesting that packs are collected/returned between the hours of 10.00am-2.00pm only. Please telephone or email the school so your pack can be placed outside in advance.

Morning Snack

We have been advised that the school fruit and vegetable scheme will not resume at this time and, therefore, we will be unable to offer free fruit to children in school as a morning snack. Children are welcome to bring their own morning snacks from home but these should meet our healthy school's criteria and be low in salt, sugar and saturated fat.

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Lunch Hampers

The catering service have advised that they are short of several red, plastic boxes which have been used as lunch hampers whilst the school was only open to key worker children. Now school has widened its offer, if your child is eligible to attend school, their lunch will be available on a daily basis and hampers will only be provided to non-key workers in Years 2-6 eligible for Free School Meals. Please check to see if you have a hamper outstanding at home and return to school – many thanks.

Attendance

Following the government guidance, it is important to note that any child who is ill, or any child who does not feel unwell but is displaying covid-19 symptoms, should NOT attend school, and we are asking families to err on the side of caution during this phase. Any child displaying symptoms of:

- Temperature
- Cough
- Loss of sense of smell
- Loss of taste

(as specified 19.5.2020)

will have their parent or carer informed for immediate collection, and will be expected to self-isolate until a negative test result is received. Any siblings in attendance will also require collection at the same time.

Government guidance states anybody with symptoms is now eligible for testing. Please note the test MUST be taken within 3-5 days of symptoms emerging. Children will be allowed back into school once a negative test result is confirmed with a copy sent to the school, and they feel well enough to attend.

Staying Safe Online

Please see below a link you may find helpful which has plenty of useful tips and strategies and is able to be read on phones and tablets. There are articles on home schooling, managing emotions during this period, ways to keep kids occupied, and much more:

www.triplep-parenting.uk.net/uk-en/special-editions/positive-parenting-during-covid-19-uk/

Department for Education Coronavirus helpline

Guidance is available from the Department for Education to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. The helpline details are as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687 Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours are 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

Reading and Relaxation

'Billy's Sunflower ' by Nicola Moon

Reviewed by Barnaby, Mars Class

This is a book about a sunflower. Billy planted a sunflower seed. It grew. It was taller than him, his sister, his mum and his dad. It was gold, green and it had black seeds. It was beautiful. When it came to Autumn, it was really droopy and brown. Billy was really sad and he nearly cried. His sister told him the sunflower would die. He told his mum. Mum said it is Autumn and the days get shorter. His mum dried his tears. Billy planted the seeds when the winter was over. It is a good book for Mars and Jupiter people. The End.