

# Cavendish Church of England Primary School

## Newsletter - Summer Term 2020

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



*Prayer of the week – by Freddie*

*Dear God*

*Thank you for the gifts of the earth.*

*Thank you for such an amazing school.*

*Please help the school Governors with all their decisions  
and help them make this school even more amazing.*

*Please help keep this school, the best school in the world.*

*Amen*

### **Home Learning**

#### RM Maths

This week we are giving our own "shout out" to home mathematicians. Congratulations to children who have been accessing their RM maths learning. It has been great for us to log on and see your progress!

Mars Class - Matthew, James, Issy, Barnaby, Emily, Esme

Jupiter Year 1 - Harry, Lindon, Elsie, Ava, Quinn, Colby

Jupiter Year 2 - Maddison, Rufus, Oliver, Teddy, Tom F, Evan, Tom K, George, Emma

Saturn Year 3 - Cara, Logan, Joe, Keaton, Milly, Sam P, Michael, Sophia

Saturn Year 4 - Harley, Harry, Ellie

Neptune Year 5 - Michael, Matilda William, Ethan

Neptune Year 6 - James, Paige

- and an especial amazing well done to Esme and Matilda for being "super users" with over 4 hours each in April - an equivalent of over 16 sessions!

#### Saturn Class Message

What a fantastic treat for all the staff to enjoy the Saturn Class home learning movie montage! It was really fabulous to see all your photos of your activities, support for the NHS, exercise and learning. This really boosted our staff wellbeing, so thank you so much for your time in taking the photos, collating them for us and sending this in - we loved it!

#### Shared learning

Once again this week it has been lovely to see evidence of children's learning and activities at home. Teddy's quest to communicate with Cavendish schools has now reached front page news and we had some lovely drawings from Maggie and Benjamin.

### **Link School – Cavendish Primary, Victoria, Australia**

We have weekly email correspondence with our link namesake school in Australia and have been interested to read how they are managing their school closures and lockdown. Two of our Cavendish children have recently featured in their Newsletter so well done to Harley and Teddy for their global contributions.

### **VE Day Commemoration**

Unfortunately we will be unable to have our planned commemorative Church service with children and families to mark 75 years since VE Day. Today we are recognising that heroes and heroic action can take many forms. In Learning Pack 3 you will find a medal template for children to design an award to someone who they consider to be a hero. We are asking that, where possible, children cut these out to put in their windows at home for display on the VE Bank Holiday, 8<sup>th</sup> May. We would love to see some of the designs so do please send in any photos or scanned drawings.

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## Latest Updates

Please note we will be continuing with a weekly Newsletter until further notice. We will use this format to communicate changes in school provision and/or Government expectation as the need arises. If you are not already registered to receive the Newsletter by email and wish to do so, please email the school with your details. The Newsletter is always available from the school website.

## School Provision to Key Workers and Vulnerable Children

Whilst we are committed to supporting Key Workers it is essential that we have advanced notice, where possible, and as soon as shift times have been confirmed as this will help us to manage our own staff teams. The school will be open from 8.30am-3.15pm each week day. Government guidance is still that, where possible, children should be educated and cared for at home.

## Working at home

Thank you to all families who have been to school to collect Learning Pack 3. The staff have enjoyed waving to you through the door. Learning Pack 3 is for learning commencing Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May and lasts for two weeks. Please remember that staff are available for additional support or to discuss things by phone. Please do feel that you can contact us as we would not want any family to struggle unnecessarily.

## World Health Organisation Book for Children

The World Health Organisation have produced a book for children to help them understand the virus and how we're dealing with it. It's called 'My Hero is You' and you download it from the website below.

<https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/09-04-2020-children-s-story-book-released-to-help-children-and-young-people-cope-with-covid-19>

## BBC Bitesize

The BBC is offering additional home learning support through their Bitesize service, as well as additional radio and television programmes which may be of interest to you. The school Learning Pack should be your first priority but we would encourage families to explore a wide range of learning resources for your own curiosity.

## School Meal Provision

The weekly hamper for Free School Meal children will continue for collection from Midday on Mondays. Please remember to return the red box when collecting your next hamper. In order to support families in receipt of pupil premium, the school's catering service will no longer be offering a daily meal to key worker children. All children who come into school will need to bring their own packed lunch with them. Children who would normally be in receipt of free school meals should bring in their lunch made from the ingredients in their home hamper.

## 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](mailto: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

### Wonder Woman – by John Sazaklis

*Reviewed by Beau, Saturn Class*

This book has 41 pages and was published in 2015. For children aged 8.

This story is a famous story. It is about the Princess Diana who wants to go and help the world instead of ruling. The characters in this story are Diana/Wonder Woman, her mum the Queen, soldiers, cheetah and the female Amazons. The main character is Wonder Woman. She's a hero. She is super strong. The story happened on the island Themyscira. Wonder Woman starts as a princess and defeats all the villains. I liked every bit of the story but my favourite part of it is when Wonder Woman defeats all the super villains. There were no weak bits. I couldn't stop reading it even though I've read it thousands of times. I think everyone would like this book because it is full of interest.