

Cavendish Church of England Primary School

Newsletter - Spring Term 2020

Friday 10th April 2020 No: 026

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



Our Easter Prayer - written by the children in school this week

*Dear God,
Thank you for all the beautiful things you made and the butterflies.
Thank you for the beautiful springtime and Easter.
Thank you for my special friends who I haven't seen for a while.
Thank you for our mummies and daddies, and our whole family,
and, thank you Jesus, for your sacrifice.
Amen*

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. We will continue to open Cavendish CofE Primary School over the Easter holiday period for children of Key Workers. The school will be open from 8.30am-3.15pm each week day (including and Easter Monday but NOT weekends). Government guidance is still that, where possible, children should be educated and cared for at home. Children who need to come to school during the Easter holiday period do not need to wear school uniform and should come with clothes suitable for a range of activities, including outside learning. Children will need to bring a packed lunch as there will be no school catering service during this two week period.

Please send your child with wellington boots, trainers and wearing clothes which can get muddy.

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Working at home

Nearly every family is now in receipt of their second home learning pack for the time period 20th April to 1st May. Whilst these need not be started before 20th April, we would strongly encourage families to support children with daily reading, times tables and spellings. For those of you who still have your first pack, please ensure these are returned to school before or on 20th April to enable teachers to review the children's learning. Teachers will require a prompt return of each learning pack in order to ensure future learning packs are tailored to children's individual needs whether at home or in school. Please telephone or email the school on the day you intend to collect your pack and we will put your named pack outside the school for collection. If wet, please call at reception. Currently government guidance for isolation is due to be updated next week. Should the school reopen before 1st May, children will bring their learning packs into school to complete as these follow the summer term topic lessons.

It is our firm expectation that children complete **every activity** within the learning pack as each learning pack builds on previous knowledge. Please telephone or email the school for support, rather than leave sections incomplete. Additionally, it is important that when the children do return together, that no child has become significantly behind through not following the home working plan. We really appreciate the parental support and time which has been given to the children.

Week three of staying at Home – from Chair of Governors, Mrs Fitzpatrick

Hello all, well we are now at week 3 of the children being at home and despite it being the first week of the Easter holiday it is very similar to the previous weeks. Our dog, Rosie is in seventh heaven as she is getting a good length walk every day, which is far more varied than the quick whiz round she had when we were all at work or school! We have three ponies that also need looking after and exercising, so the children are more than filling their quota of daily exercise. We are continuing with some home schooling and we find it provides some structure to our day. Mainly mathematics and spelling this week, for Ethan. We have enjoyed playing badminton, archery and a game of catch with 2 balls and 3 people in the garden, as the weather is being so kind to us at the moment. Our final activity is packing as we are due to move house soon, fingers crossed!

School Nursing Service Information

The following has been received from the School Nursing Team for parents and carers:

In light of the current situation we would just like to send out details of how the school nursing service can be contacted during school closures.

Contact our Health Business Centre on 0345 607 6688

Text a school nurse on our texting service ChatHealth on 07507 333356

Visit our website for more information on what the School Nursing service offers. It also has lots of useful information and advice on children and adolescent's physical and mental health for parents to access.

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/index.php/children-families-and-learning/childrens-health/school-nursing/>

Calendar changes

As you may have anticipated the following events have been cancelled or postponed:

Kingswood – currently rescheduled to June 30th/July 1st, further information to follow

Volunteers' Safeguarding training – postponed

Stour Valley Induction Evening – Year 6 transfer

We have been advised that the Induction Evening planned for Thursday 23rd April will not go ahead. Stour Valley will provide further details in due course.

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.

Reading and Relaxation

The crocodile under the bed - by Rufus, Jupiter class

This book is about a little boy that really wants to go to a party but he can't, but he discovers he has a flying crocodile under his bed! He flies out of the window and into a tropical adventure! My favourite part is when the crocodile comes out of the bed because it's funny. My favourite character is Matty who is kind, brave and happy. I would recommend this book to Mars class to Year 3. I would give this book 4 stars.



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School Term and Holiday dates 2019/2020

Autumn Term

PD Day	Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 September
Children Start	Wednesday 4 September
Half term	Monday 21 October to Friday 25 October
Last day	Wednesday 18 December

Spring Term

PD Day	Monday 6 January
Children Start	Tuesday 7 January
Half term	Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February
Last day	Thursday 2 April

Summer Term

PD Day	Monday 20 April
Children Start	Tuesday 21 April
Half term	Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May
Last day	Wednesday 22 July



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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