

# Cavendish Church of England Primary School

## Newsletter - Autumn Term 2020

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020 - No: 007

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



*Prayer of the week – by Ellie*

*Dear Lord,*

*Please help us protect the environment by helping us put more of our rubbish in bins,  
rather than on the streets.*

*We give thanks for your beautiful world and your amazing creations.*

*Help us all through this tricky time and keep everybody happy.*

*Thank you God.*

*Amen*

### **Headteacher Awards**

Headteacher awards this week were given to Charlie - Mars Class; Emily – Jupiter Class; Joe – Saturn Class; Matilda - Neptune Class.

### **Village Green Play Area**

Some families have raised concerns about the number of children and frequency of use of the public play area outside the school grounds. This is not part of school property and so falls outside of our Risk Assessment but we would ask families to respect the Council signs on the play area gates which include recommended numbers and a one way system for use. We would appreciate families setting a good example and modelling current Government expectations regarding social distancing and safe play.

### **Parent Consultations – Mars and Saturn Classes**

The school will telephone you for the consultation and, once again, can we ask families to be mindful of the need to ensure that all calls can take place at their allocated time.

Mars Class – Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> October

Saturn Class – Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October

### **+Pay**

The Parentmail +Pay facility is now 'live'. Families should receive a verification link by email in order to register an account, so please look out for this. All families should receive a link to register as this facility may be used by the school in the future for parent payments, eg, school visits and is not limited to dinner money payment. Further information can be found at <http://www.parentmail.co.uk/>

### **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.

### **Bonfire Night Celebrations – Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> November**

As you are aware, communities are unable to celebrate bonfire night this year in groups with fireworks. At school, this has always been an opportunity for us to contribute to the village through making guys and to enable us to teach children about the importance of following appropriate democratic processes when seeking change. This is still an important part of their key learning and we are very aware that children's social lives are restricted both in who they can see and their activities. Therefore we will be holding a Forest School bonfire throughout the day and children will be able to come up to the Forest School site within their bubbles. Seating will be cleaned between year groups to ensure the activity fits in with our

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existing Risk Assessment. As children will be unable to share Forest School coats and waterproof trousers on this day, we are asking that all children come to school in Forest School clothes including an old coat/jumper which can be worn in the Forest School setting. Every child should have a pair of wellington boots on site anyway but it is important these are returned promptly if taken home at half term.

### **School Photographs - 11<sup>th</sup> November**

We are pleased to say we have still been able to accommodate individual school photographs this year, as we know how popular these are with families and as gifts for extended family members. However, we have had to put in some adjustments to ensure the process meets our Covid-19 Risk Assessment and so we are unable to offer any family groups or pre-school siblings joining photos, as children must stay within their individual bubbles in school. For your reassurance, the following adjustments will be made on site:

1. Children will have their photograph taken in a standing position so that no furniture is touched.
2. Children will be photographed individually within their bubble group.
3. The photographer will observe social distancing and will clean between bubbles.
4. School staff will help children get ready in line with our no touch policy.
5. No items will be printed on the day but will be sent the following week. If hard copies, these will be held at school for the appropriate isolation time before sharing with families.

### **Community Link**

“Memories Are Golden” are going to be running sessions at Clare Social Club starting on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October, 9.30am to 2.30pm to provide a supportive and caring environment for sufferers of dementia and their carers. A two-course lunch is provided, along with activities and respite space. Nursing care is on hand, as well as advice and guidance. This group is not solely for people living with dementia; it's also for those over the age of 65 that are at risk of social isolation. The support offered is not just for Clare residents but for all people in surrounding areas as well who would benefit from this. For further information please contact [07538 920731](tel:07538920731) or email [memoriesaregoldencommunityhub@gmail.com](mailto:memoriesaregoldencommunityhub@gmail.com)

### **Headlice**

We have had a case of head lice reported to us. Could you please check your child's hair today for any signs and treat accordingly. Thank you

Mars Class – Mr & Mrs Chinnery brought a hedgehog box and we will call them if there is a hedgehog in the hedgehog house. Mrs Chinnery told us to put a very ripe banana outside because the hedgehog might sell it and come in. – Billy

Jupiter Class – We have done Science and English. We learned about the three little wolves and the big bad pig. I wrote a story called The Three Little Sharks and the Big Bad Whale. In Science we sorted mammals, fish and birds. – Lindon-Lee

Saturn Class – This week in topic, Saturn class were reading extracts from the diaries of real Roman visitors who came to Prehistoric Britain. We discovered that in the Iron Age, people lived in round houses made with thatched roofs. We also learnt that they cooked their food on a spit and that they ate their meals seated on a litter (or cushion) of straw. We enjoyed seeing the Iron Age Hillforts and thought they were a great idea for spotting enemy tribes in the distance.

Neptune Class – This week in Maths we have been doing multiplying 2 digits by 2 digits. In English we have been doing biographies. In Science we have been learning about forces. We listened to a song by Stormzy called 'Blinded by your Grace'. We have been focusing on wellbeing. – Amelia

### **Government Advice**

We have been asked to signpost parents to updated information:

[https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-parents-and-guardians-when-you-should-book-a-coronavirus-test-for-your-child?utm\\_source=25%20September%202020%20C19&utm\\_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm\\_campaign=DfE%20C19](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-parents-and-guardians-when-you-should-book-a-coronavirus-test-for-your-child?utm_source=25%20September%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19)

Dates for your diary

**October**

21<sup>st</sup> Mars Class Parent Consultation  
23<sup>rd</sup> Saturn Class Parent Consultation  
26<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> Half Term

**November**

2<sup>nd</sup> Children Return  
4<sup>th</sup> Bonfire Celebrations  
11<sup>th</sup> School Photographs  
13<sup>th</sup> Children in Need

**December**

9<sup>th</sup> Flu Immunisation  
9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> Sudbury Christmas Tree Festival  
17<sup>th</sup> Last day of term



## **Cavendish Church of England Primary School**

### **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