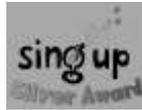


Cavendish Church of England Primary School

Newsletter - Autumn Term 2020

Friday 27th November 2020 - No: 012

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



Prayer of the week – By William

Dear God,

We thank you for our wonderful experience at school.

We thank you for the respect we get from others.

May we learn how to respect others and reflect on our choices

Amen

Headteacher Awards

Headteacher awards this week were given to Laurence - Mars Class; Darcie – Jupiter Class; Cara – Saturn Class; Ella - Neptune Class.

Christingle

Millie writes - On 26th November we had our Christingle making and service. We had our service with KS2 instead of the whole school together but it was still fun. When the lights were switched off we lit the Christingles and they all looked sweet and very pretty. The making was fun as we used raisins and nice sweets. When I put the name flag in, lovely orange juice came out. Also it was hard to get the red tape round the orange. I learnt what all the bits represent on a Christingle. The Orange represents the world which God created. The sweets represent the creations of God. The red tape represents the blood of Jesus. The Cocktail sticks represent the four seasons. The candle represents the light of the world (Jesus).

Suffolk Carers Handbook

Please see attached a useful reference booklet for all those who care for others in its widest sense. There is information about various external supports available as well as guidance for you as carers.



Christmas Events

We have a variety of activities over the next few weeks, towards the end of term:

In School Music Concert

Our piano teacher, Mr Potte,r will be performing a short concert to each class bubble, demonstrating a range of instruments and musical styles from different cultures for the children's enjoyment.

For further information about music lessons please see <https://up-beat-tuition.co.uk>

Nativity

The children have been practising for their Christmas Nativity which is being performed in school. The older children will be able to watch the performance via a video link but unfortunately, for safeguarding reasons, we cannot share this externally with families. We will, however, be sharing a photograph with each family.

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PTFA Christmas Craft Night - 9th December

We hope the children will be able to join their bubble on Christmas Craft night when they will be making activities to take home. Thank you to the PTFA for providing the crafts. There is a suggested donation of £1 for this event.

Tuition and clubs

The last tuition is on **Wednesday 2nd December** and the last week of clubs is the week of **7th December**.

Post-box for Christmas Cards

We will have a special post-box in school for our pupils to use from Monday 30th November and closes on 11th December. All cards will be distributed on Monday 14th December after a period of isolation. Please write pupils' full names and class details on each envelope to avoid confusion.

School Christmas Lunch – 15th December

We will be offering children a traditional Christmas Lunch and a letter will go home in book bags on Monday. Please note there will be no jacket potato or pack-up option on this day.

PTFA Treasure Hunt

As we are unable to have an Advent Fair this year the PTFA have organised a Christmas Treasure Hunt for each class bubble. Children will need to find a selection of items in the school grounds.

Christmas Parties – 16th December

Key Stage Christmas Parties will take place in the afternoon. As with previous years, we will be asking for donations of 50p attached to the class slips which will be sent out later on. This covers the cost of party food and prizes and should be returned to the class teacher. Children can attend school in their party clothes will day, but must have appropriate footwear and a warm coat for outside play. Jewellery and make-up should not be worn.

Last Day of Term – 17th December

Sadly we will be unable to have our end of term service in Church with families. We will be holding a service in school with children to continue this tradition. Please note that the school will close at 2.00pm, once the service finishes.

Youth Sport Trust

The Youth Sport Trust have launched a virtual after school club aimed at primary school children offering skills, activities and entertainment as well as the opportunity to try out new sport. Each day at 5pm they will be broadcasting on YouTube – following this link : <https://www.youthsporttrust.org/AfterSchoolSportClub>

Parking

Please could we remind families to park legally and with consideration to children and families who walk home including children who are walking independently, now the season is getting darker. Children need to be able to see safely when crossing the road and to be able to judge the speed of oncoming traffic. It is against the law and unacceptable to park on double yellow lines at any time. The single yellow line by the church indicates that cars may not be parked here during pick up and drop off times.

Social Distancing

Following some concerns which have been raised with the school, we are reprinting our request and expectations to safely manage transition to and from school:-

Entrances and Exits

We will require parents and families to adhere to social distancing guidelines on the slip road up to school and by the school gates. To support school safety, no adults will be allowed into the playground or on site, and children will be welcomed at the gates, and brought to the gate at the end of the day.

Children in Mars Class will use their own door into the class room. Neptune Class will use the Neptune door by the pedestrian gate. Jupiter Class will come in and depart via the main school entrance door.

Saturn Class will come in and depart by the playground door.

To support families in observing social distancing, children may be brought to school anytime from 8.30 – 9am, but we would ask parents to be mindful of how many families are on the slip road at any one time.

Children should not be allowed to run ahead of their adults. For the convenience of families and to avoid unnecessary waiting around on the village green, we are not setting arrival times by year group. To help parents with social distancing, children will be dismissed in alphabetical order by surname within each class, so although we do not expect parents to “line up”, this will help them organise themselves in a way that supports minimum contact. Only one adult per family should be bringing and collecting children at the gates.

Whilst the play area on the village green is not the responsibility of the school, we would request that families actively model compliance with expectations and guidance for its use, including social distancing by waiting adults.

Classroom Ventilation

It is essential that children come to school wearing enough clothing to keep warm. Under National and Suffolk County Council directives we are required to keep classroom windows and internal doors open to ensure adequate ventilation. This makes sitting still in classrooms quite cold. Your child may need a vest and t-shirt under their school shirt and a warm jumper. Leggings under pinafores and skirts may be helpful too, as baser layers will be for boys. Children are encouraged to be active in their playtimes and so a warm well-fitting coat would be helpful here too.

Pupil Privacy Notice/Data Protection

Please note a change to the contact details for the school Data Protection Officer:

katie.handshaw@schoolschoice.org

Admission to Primary School 2021-2022

For Parents and Carers of pre-school children who were born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017 - Applications for a full-time school place for September 2021 must be received by the Admissions Team by the closing date of **Friday 15 January 2021**. Parents and Carers should apply for a school place online at www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions. Only those who are unable to apply online should complete and return a paper CAF1 application form which is available to download from www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions or by contacting the team on 0345 600 0981.

Further information is available on the School Admissions website at www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions including information about the School Travel Policy and some School Travel Scenarios; Information on how to apply for a school place, including the steps to follow and what to do if you have any queries. This information can also be found in the Admissions to Schools in Suffolk 2021/2022 guide on the website which can also be downloaded; details of all primary (including infant, junior and middle) schools and how places are offered when a school gets too many applications.

Year 6 Transfer to High School

As Thomas Gainsborough School have been unable to have their normal Open Evening for parents & students in Year 6 this year due to Covid 19, a promotional video has been made for information.

<https://youtu.be/874Y2gYdQXA>

Antarctica Week

We would like to share some information which has been passed to us by one of our school parents: Antarctica week, which runs from 30 November to 4 December, has but I thought I would forward the attached poster about a series of webinars which are taking place during Antarctica week, which are aimed at school children, and are about the current ongoing Thwaites glacier research programme. I appreciate not all of the talks are suitable for primary aged children, but as I work for the UK funding agency supporting this research programme I just wanted to share with you in case any were of interest.

More information and registration details can be found at:

<https://thwaitesglacier.org/news/antarctica-week-festival-2020>



PTFA News

**** Just one more week to buy tickets****

The PTFA are pleased to be raffling 1 adult and 1 children's hamper as a Christmas Fundraiser. There will also be a runner up prize of a food hamper. To be in with a chance of winning, please could you send an envelope with the exact money and write your name, telephone number and how much for each raffle you would like to enter (please state either adult or children's). There will be no paper tickets this year, but each entry will be allocated a number and we will use a random number generator to pick the winner on Friday 11th December. The closing date for entries will be Friday 4th December. Each entry will be £1. Photos of the hampers are on the notice board. We'd like to thank Willow Tree Farm shop for their donations to the hamper.

We thank you for your support with this, as you will understand we currently have very few options available to raise much needed funds for the school.

Mars Class – We made a Christingle. The candle reminds us of Jesus, the sweets show the direction and the seasons. The orange shows us the world. The ribbon reminds us of the blood when Jesus died. - Malaak

Jupiter Class – In English we learnt about a poem and we listened to a poem and wrote what we thought it was about. Then Mrs Halpin showed us a clip of what it was about anyone who is in the NHS - Harry

Saturn Class – This week in Science we were looking at if gas has weight. We used two drinks called cherry pop and tropical. In English we looked at a book called 'Escape from Pompeii' and we were looking at what we can see in a picture from the book. - Phoebe

Neptune Class – On 26th November we had our Christingle Service. We made our Christingle then the whole of KS2 went to the hall and the teachers lit our Christingles and we sat reflecting and watching the candle. We had music in the background which was very calming and relaxing. The lights were turned off and we appreciated our candles. - Ethan

Government Advice

We have been asked to signpost parents to updated information:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak?utm_source=12%20November%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

Dates for your diary follow on the next page.

Dates for your diary:

The following is for your information but may be subject to change following national guidelines.

November

30th Christmas post box opens

December

2nd Last one to one tuition
7th Last week of clubs
8th Last Forest School Year 6
9th Flu Immunisation
9th After school Christmas craft night (in bubbles)
11th Christmas post box closes
14th Christmas cards sent home
14th Christmas treasure hunt (in bubbles)
15th Christmas Lunch
16th Christmas class parties
17th Key Stage/Class bubble Christmas worship
17th Last day of term. Fish and chip lunch.
School closes at 2.00pm



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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