

# CAVENDISH WEEKLY NEWLETTER



## 8th May 2026



### Message from Headteacher

As we come to the end of another busy and enriching week at school, I would like to take a moment to celebrate the wonderful learning taking place across our school community. It has been a joy to see children engaging so

enthusiastically in their lessons, demonstrating curiosity, creativity and perseverance in all that they do.

This week, we were especially excited to complete our Sir David Attenborough project. Children worked collaboratively in groups to create thoughtful and imaginative videos inspired by the natural world, showcasing the beauty of nature and the importance of caring for God's creation. The project has been a fantastic opportunity for pupils to develop their teamwork, communication and creative skills, while also reflecting on our responsibility to protect the world around us. We are delighted that the finished video is now available on our social media platforms for parents, families and the wider community to enjoy and celebrate with us.

Our Christian ethos continues to shine through in daily school life. Through our learning, worship and relationships with one another, we encourage children to live out values of kindness, respect, courage and compassion. It is wonderful to see pupils supporting one another so positively and growing not only academically, but spiritually and personally too.

Next week, our Year 6 pupils will begin their SATs assessments. We are incredibly proud of the hard work, determination and resilience they have shown throughout the year. The children are well prepared, and we encourage them to approach the week with confidence and positivity. We kindly ask parents to ensure children arrive promptly at the start of each school day so that they can

begin calmly and confidently. To help them feel fuelled and ready for the week ahead, we will be providing a selection of light breakfast treats each morning before the tests begin.

Finally, I would like to thank all parents and carers for your ongoing support, encouragement and positive energy. Your partnership with the school truly makes a difference and helps us to create such a caring, nurturing and successful community for all our children.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.



What a quacking result! Our Cavendish duck raced to victory at the Boomerangs Pet Foodbank Duck Race at Clare Country Park on Bank Holiday Monday – and brought home the trophy! 🏆

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to cheer us on and supported the event. We were especially proud to spot our winning duck sporting its Cavendish emblem cape as it floated its way to first place .

Our giant rubber duck is feeling very pleased with itself and may still be popping up around school this week... keep your eyes peeled!

Well done Team Cavendish!



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### Celebration Assembly Stars

Congratulations to all the pupils chosen for this week's Celebration Assembly. We are so proud of your hard work, positive attitude, and achievements — keep shining!



### Darcey's Majorette Success!

Well done to Darcey, who proudly brought in her majorette trophy to share with everyone. What a fantastic achievement!

We are so proud of Darcey's hard work and dedication — congratulations on your success!



### Rory Wins Player of the Weekend Again!

We are very proud of Rory, who brought in his medal and trophy from the ESF Tournament. Although his team didn't make the play-offs, Rory was voted *Player of the Weekend* for his team for the second year in a row — an amazing achievement!

Well done, Rory, on your hard work, teamwork, and fantastic attitude throughout the tournament.



Rory and his team with Jermain Defoe at the presentation ceremony.

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### Attendance at Cavendish – Exciting New Attendance Celebration!

At Cavendish, we know that every school day matters. Being in school regularly helps children build confidence, make friendships, and make the most of their learning opportunities.

Over the coming weeks, we will be launching a new whole-school attendance initiative to celebrate excellent attendance, punctuality, and improvement across the school.

Children will be taking part in:

- \* Class attendance challenges
- \* Celebrations and recognition
- \* Special classroom rewards
- \* Opportunities to become part of our new attendance team initiative


As part of this exciting launch, we are introducing a special school attendance mascot that will visit the winning class every two weeks!

But first... we need your help.

★ Vote for our Cavendish Attendance Mascot! ★

Next week, children will be invited to vote for what animal they think our new attendance mascot should be.

Will it be:

- \* A capybara? 
- \* A sloth?
- \* A panda?
- \* A llama?
- \* Something else entirely?



Once the winning animal has been chosen, the school will then vote on a name for our new mascot!

We are really looking forward to working together to make attendance a positive and celebrated part of school life at Cavendish.

Thank you for your continued support.



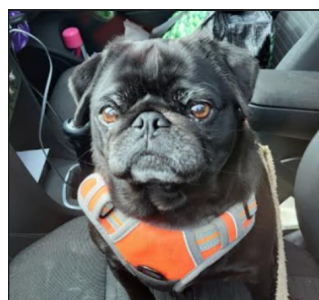
### Thank You for Your Support!

A huge thank you to everyone who has already voted for our “Growing Readers, Growing Futures” project at Tesco Sudbury. We’ve collected so many blue tokens already — keep them coming! Every token helps us bring more books into school for our children to enjoy.



### Piper's Pawsome Adventure

At Cavendish, we always enjoy hearing about the children's home lives, hobbies, and new experiences. Piper was delighted to



share all about her recent dog-sitting adventure. She also kindly sent in a photograph of Winnie, who we all agree is absolutely adorable!

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### In Case You Missed It...



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At lunchtime today, Amelie and Eliza approached Mrs Martin with a wonderful idea – to capture our school ethos through photos 📷

They suggested simple but meaningful actions to represent each value: pointing to the head for We Learn 🧠, making heart-shaped hands for We Love ❤️, and sharing a cuddle for We Belong 🤗

It was a joy to see the children take the initiative in expressing what our school stands for. Moments like this show just how much our pupils truly understand and value our ethos.

We learn. We love. We belong. ✨



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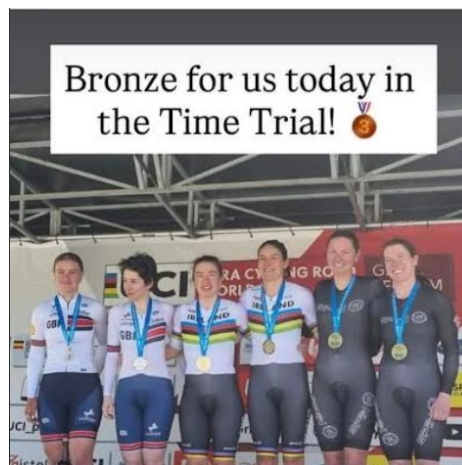
We know many of our students have been eagerly awaiting updates on Alice Sharpe's latest race – and what an incredible result to celebrate! 🏅

Alice and her partner Sinead Greenan, who is visually impaired, have taken home a Bronze medal in the time trial at the UCI Para Cycling Road World Cup in Belgium.

When Alice spoke to our students, she shared how she wanted to be Sinead's eyes and support her in achieving her goals. A powerful reminder of what kindness, teamwork, and trust truly look like.

We're reminded of that special moment when Albert raised his hand and said, "What a kind thing to do for someone." We couldn't agree more.

Inspiring performances on and off the track – well done, Alice and Sinead! 🙌



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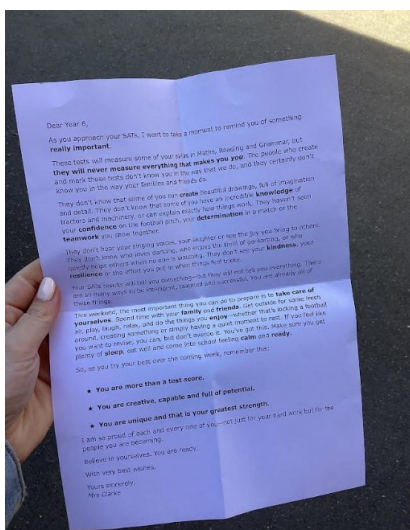
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Mrs Clarke thoughtfully gifted each child a card ahead of their SATs last week ❤️

But even more special was the beautiful letter she wrote to every one of them – reminding them that SATs measure some skills in Maths, Reading and Grammar, but they do not measure everything.

They don't measure the beautiful drawings they create, their knowledge of tractors and machinery, their love of dancing, or the thrill of go-karting. They don't capture kindness, creativity, resilience or individuality.

These words resonated with us so deeply, and we wanted to share them with our community because teachers like Mrs Clarke help shape our next generation into confident, capable and valued young people – far beyond any test result 🌟



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🎵 Today in assembly, the children sang the wonderful song Count on Me by Bruno Mars 🎤

🌟 They sounded absolutely amazing and sang with such joy and confidence. The song's message of friendship, kindness and support reflected our school ethos perfectly:

- 💛 We learn
- 💛 We love
- 💛 We belong

We are so proud of them all! 🌟👏



Watch the video on our Facebook page [here](#)

### House Point Update

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### Dates for your Diary

11th - 14th May	Year 6 SATs
22nd May	Class photos
25th- 29th May	Half term
2nd June	Robins trip to The Museum of Zoology
10th - 12th June	Year 5/6 residential
19th June	Boys football tournament
24th June	Sports Day
29th - 30th June	Year 5 Bikeability
1st - 2nd July	Year 6 Bikeability
13th & 14th July	Stour Valley transition days
14th July	Whole school transition day
17th July	Last day of term