

CAVENDISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



19th June 2026



Message from Headteacher

As another busy and enjoyable week comes to an end, I have been reflecting on the many opportunities our children have had to learn, grow and represent our school community.

Earlier this week, our Key Stage 2 pupils travelled to the cathedral to take part in the iSingPOP celebration service. It was a wonderful occasion, bringing together schools from across the diocese through music, worship and community. The children sang beautifully and represented Cavendish with pride, demonstrating excellent behaviour throughout the day.

We were also delighted to welcome fathers, grandfathers and other special family members to our Bricks and Butties Father's Day event. It was lovely to see so many families spending time together, building, creating and sharing conversations. Events such as these remind us of the strong sense of community we have at Cavendish and how important it is to create opportunities for families to be part of school life.

Music has continued to be a real strength this week. Alongside our regular Rocksteady sessions, children enjoyed an additional taster session, giving those who do not currently access Rocksteady the opportunity to experience what it is like to perform as part of a band. It was fantastic to see so much enthusiasm, confidence and musical talent on display.

Today, a team of pupils represented Cavendish at the Maxim Football Tournament. The children worked incredibly hard in very warm conditions and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship throughout the event. They encouraged one another, showed respect to other teams and

never gave up, even when the heat made things challenging. We are extremely proud of the way they represented our school and embodied our values both on and off the pitch. Thank you to Miss Murphy for making this happen.

As the warm weather continues, please can I ask families to ensure children come to school with a named sun hat and a water bottle each day. Sun cream should be applied before arriving at school, and children may bring a named bottle of sun cream to reapply if required. These simple measures help us keep everyone safe and comfortable while making the most of the sunshine.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. There is still much to look forward to as we head towards the end of another successful academic year.

We Learn. We Love. We Belong.

Attendance Update

This week's attendance was **92.9%**. While we know that illness and unavoidable circumstances can affect attendance, we would like to remind families of the importance of regular school attendance. Every day in school provides valuable learning opportunities and helps children build confidence, friendships and routines. Thank you for your continued support in helping us improve attendance as we work towards our whole-school target.



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Collective Worship Prayer of th Week

Dear God

Thank you for the sunshine and the warm weather.

Please help us stay cool, drink plenty of water, and look after ourselves and each other in the heat.

Help us be kind, patient and grateful for the good things around us today.

May we learn well, play safely, and make positive choices.

Amen

Meet Morris and Olive!

George is delighted to introduce his adorable new kittens, Morris and Olive, who are 10 weeks old. We think you'll agree they're absolutely purr-fect!



What Our Parents Say

Thank you to the families who recently shared their thoughts on our school vision and values.

We were delighted that **100% of respondents to our values questionnaire rated our ability to help children feel that they belong as 5 out of 5.** Parents described Cavendish as a *happy, friendly and welcoming community* where children are supported to learn, grow and flourish.

Families told us that our Christian vision, "*Create a pure heart in me*" (*Psalm 51:10*), is reflected through kindness, honesty, compassion and the strong relationships seen across our school. Many commented on the caring atmosphere and the way our values of **We Learn, We Love, We Belong** are lived out each day.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to make Cavendish such a special place to learn, love and belong.



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Celebration Assembly

Well done to all of this week's award winners. We are proud of your hard work, positive attitudes and achievements. Keep up the great work!



Brigade School Uniform Orders – Summer Term Final Order Deadline

To ensure your child receives their school uniform in time for the start of the September term, please place your order with Brigade by **17th July**.

Orders received by this date are guaranteed for delivery before the new school year begins.

We encourage all parents and carers to order early to avoid disappointment and ensure uniform requirements are met for September.

Please see the attached Brigade flyer for full details and ordering information by clicking [here](#)



Summer Fair – Saturday 4th July

Don't forget our Summer Fair on Saturday 4th July, 11am–2pm! With games, face painting, refreshments, an ice cream van and lots more, it's sure to be a fun-filled day for the whole family. We hope to see you there!



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In case you missed it...

🌳 ✨ Our Robins turned into woodland artists today! Using leaves, sticks, mud and natural treasures from the fields, they created their very own mini forests. Nature really is the best art box! 🍂 🍷 🍷



Today's the day! 🏆 🏆


No matter the result, we are incredibly proud of our team for representing our school with determination, teamwork, and pride. Enjoy every moment, give it your all, and make memories to last a lifetime.

Have a fantastic morning, stay hydrated, and remember that wherever we go, we carry our school values with us. Show everyone what makes our school special by living our ethos:

We Learn. We Love. We Belong.

Good luck, team - we're all cheering you on! ❤️ 🍷 🍷

It was wonderful to be a part of such a joyous event. Special thanks to the Diocese for arranging such a memorable occasion, and to Chris for bringing the ATTITUDE—it was truly BEAU-tiful! (If you know, you know)

 **Mark Woodrow** is 😊 feeling blessed at **St Edmundsbury Cathedral**.

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It was wonderful to join the children from **Cavendish CE Primary School** yesterday in the **St Edmundsbury Cathedral** for a packed Diocesan Church Schools Service.

Lets just say that 800 children in the Cathedral can certainly raise the roof when it comes to singing!

🦉 ❤️ Owls Class have submitted their Father's Day messages to the East Anglian Daily Times!

Keep an eye out for the special Father's Day feature, which will be published on Friday, 19 June.

Families will have the opportunity to purchase a copy and enjoy the children's heartfelt messages just in time for Father's Day.

Well done Owls Class! 🍷



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Bricks & Butties 2026: Building Memories Together

Our Bricks & Butties event was a wonderful success, bringing together fathers, grandfathers, and the special adults in our children's lives for a morning of creativity, laughter and quality time.

The school hall was filled with excitement as families worked side by side to design and build their LEGO creations while enjoying freshly made bacon sandwiches. More importantly than the competition itself, the event gave families the opportunity to spend time together and celebrate the important role they play in our children's lives.

The creativity on display was truly outstanding, making it incredibly difficult for Mrs Goulding to choose the winning entries. Every child who took part should be immensely proud of their imagination, teamwork and determination.

Competition Results

First Place – Tabi, Eleanor, Lucia and Eliza



The winning team impressed everyone with their ingenious design. Their build featured a spinning windmill that helped propel the structure to an impressive height, demonstrating both creativity and engineering skill. Most importantly, they worked together brilliantly throughout the challenge and should be extremely proud of their achievement.

Second Place – Oliver L, Oliver T, Mioni and Wilf



This team wowed the judges with their creativity and collaboration. Their model of Cavendish Primary School showcased fantastic teamwork and a clear vision, resulting in a thoughtful and recognisable tribute to our school community.

Third Place – Rupert and his dad, Will



Rupert and Will created an impressive collection of farming equipment, including a cultivator, plough and tractor. The attention to detail was exceptional and, as a school at the heart of a rural community, we were delighted to see local farming celebrated in such a creative way.



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Community Spirit at Its Finest

Events like these do not happen by chance, and we would like to extend our sincere thanks to everyone who helped make the morning such a success.

A special thank you goes to **Mr Goulding**, who kindly cooked all of the bacon for the event. His support behind the scenes helped make the morning such a success and ensured everyone could enjoy a delicious bacon sandwich while building together.

We are also incredibly proud of our pupils who volunteered behind the scenes. From Fraser, who filmed the event, to Izzy and Harper taking orders, and Pearl, James and Myles helping with the washing up, our children demonstrated responsibility, teamwork and community spirit in abundance.

Thank you to every family who joined us. The laughter, creativity and sense of togetherness on display perfectly reflected everything that makes Cavendish such a special place.

Until next time!



BIKEABILITY TRAINING – PLEASE COME PREPARED!

Bikeability training will be taking place soon. To ensure your child can take part safely and get the most from the sessions, please make sure they bring the following:

- A roadworthy **bicycle**
- A suitable cycle **helmet**- one that fits your child correctly.
- Suitable **clothing** -this should be comfortable with narrow bottomed trousers (or cycle clips worn), trainers are ideal, lightweight waterproof jacket may be advisable. Training may take place in wet weather.
- Your child may need a lightweight **rucksack** for carrying items such as water bottle, healthy snacks, jacket, suncream etc.

To be able to ride a bike **without stabilisers.**"



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Dates for your Diary

24th June	Sports Day
29th - 30th June	Year 5 Bikeability
1st - 2nd July	Year 6 Bikeability
4th July	Summer Fair
13th & 14th July	Stour Valley transition days
14th July	Whole school transition day
17th July	Last day of term

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2026/2027 Term Dates

Autumn Term 2026	Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd September	PD Days
	Thursday 3rd September	Children back in school
	Friday 23rd October	PD Day
	Monday 26th—Friday 30th October	Half term
	Friday 18th December	Last day of term
Spring Term 2027	Monday 4th January	PD Day
	Tuesday 5th January	Children back in school
	Monday 15th February—Friday 19th February	Half term
	Thursday 25th March	Last day of term
Summer Term 2027	Monday 12th April	Children back in school
	Monday 3rd May	Early May bank holiday
	Friday 28th May	PD Day
	Monday 7th June	PD Day
	Wednesday 21st July	Last day of term