

CAVENDISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



18th September 2026



Message from Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,
As we reach the end of another week, I want to reflect on the small things that make our school community special. A

friendly greeting, an invitation to join a game or an adult taking time to listen can make such a difference to a child's day. These everyday moments bring our vision, "**We Learn. We Love. We Belong.**", to life.

I am particularly enjoying my time teaching Robins, where we have been learning about shape and enjoying our noticing walks around the village. Taking our learning beyond the classroom gives us opportunities to look closely, ask questions and appreciate the wonderful place in which we learn.

Fridays are especially special for me because, alongside teaching Robins, I lead our Flourish Friday programme. This gives me the privilege of teaching every child in our school—something I truly treasure. It is a lovely opportunity to get to know each child even better, hear their ideas and help them recognise the difference they can make to our school and wider community.

This week's Flourish Friday focus is **noticing**, with the message that "**Kindness starts with noticing.**" Through practical activities, we will explore how paying attention to the people and world around us helps us recognise opportunities to show care. Linked to the story of the Good Samaritan, this reminds us that even a small act of kindness can make a real difference.

It has also been lovely to see our After School Club proving so popular, with places at full capacity for most of this week! Activities have included mindful painting with Miss Ince, giving children time to relax and be creative after a busy school day. The children keep telling me how much they love her, which is wonderful to hear. A heartfelt thank you to our children and families for making Miss Ince feel so welcome in our Cavendish community.

Our new playtime arrangements give children opportunities to enjoy the playground, field and woodland. Please remember to send in outdoor shoes if your child would like to use the field or woodland, so that we can make the most of our lovely grounds as autumn approaches.

Thank you, as always, for your support and for working with us to help every child feel happy, included and ready to learn.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Attendance Update

This week's whole-school attendance is 96.8%!



Every Day Counts: Every school day gives children opportunities to learn, develop friendships and be part of our school community.

If attendance becomes a concern, we are here to listen, support and work with families to agree practical next steps.

Regular attendance supports children to achieve and thrive. (DfE Attendance Toolkit)



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Collective Worship Prayer of the Week

Dear God

Thank you for all the wonderful things we have.

Help us to be generous with our time, our kindness, and what we have.

Teach us to notice when others need help, and give us the courage to share and care for those around us.

May our generosity make a difference in someone's day.

Amen

Egg-box Label Reveal 🥚

A huge congratulations to Piper, who helped create our new egg-box label design. We absolutely love it!



A big thank you to everyone who has been supporting our school chickens — our girls are laying really well!

We'll soon be selling our lovely fresh eggs from the front of school for **£2.50 for 6**. In the meantime, if you'd like a box, please email the school office and we'll do our best to help!

Thank you for supporting our school and our very busy chickens!

Help Us Collect LEGO® Education Tokens!

We're excited to be taking part in the LEGO® Education Token Collect Competition, giving our school the chance to win up to £1,000 worth of LEGO® Education resources!

From 28th September to 30th November, tokens will be printed in the East Anglian Daily Times and Ipswich Star. We'd love our whole school community to get involved!

Ask your family, friends, grandparents and neighbours to look out for the tokens and collect them for our school. The more tokens we collect per pupil, the better our chance of winning!



1st Prize: £1,000 of LEGO® Education vouchers/resources



2nd Prize: £500 of LEGO® Education vouchers/resources



Bonus Prize: Schools collecting over 500 tokens will be entered into a draw to win one of twenty £50 LEGO® Education vouchers.

So, if you spot a LEGO® Education token in the EADT or Ipswich Star, please save it and send it into school!

Every token counts — let's see how many we can collect!



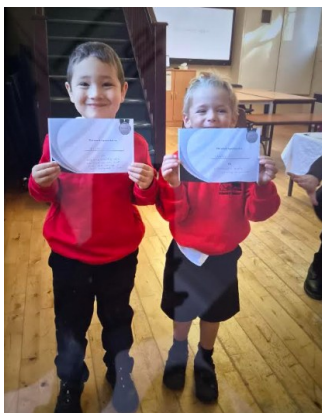
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Celebration Assembly

Smiles all round in Celebration Assembly this week! Well done to all our pupils for their fantastic effort and achievements.



A Warm Welcome to Ms Cairns!

A very warm welcome to Ms Cairns, who has joined us as a trainee teacher, working alongside Mrs Pryce-Hall in Robins Class.

Many of the children have already had the chance to meet her, including during playtimes, and she has quickly become a familiar and friendly face around school.

We're delighted to have Ms Cairns as part of our school family and are looking forward to supporting her as she begins her teaching journey with us.

Welcome to Cavendish, Ms Cairns! 🌈 ✨



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Cavendish After School Club

Our new-look After School Club, led by Miss Ince, is off to a wonderful start! 

Open Monday–Friday, 3:15pm–5:15pm, the club offers children a happy and familiar space to unwind, play, get creative and enjoy time with friends after a busy school day

From creative activities and outdoor play to seasonal fun and our exciting monthly cinema screenings, there's always something to look forward to!

We're delighted to see the children enjoying their time with Miss Ince and hope the club continues to grow into a place where everyone feels at home.

Bookings via Arbor

Cavendish Cinema Club – First Screening!

The countdown is on! Our first Cinema Screening with Miss Ince is next Friday, 25th September!

Get ready for a cosy afternoon of blankets, popcorn and a brilliant film on the big screen! 

Miss Ince is looking forward to welcoming children to our very own Cavendish cinema, where they can relax, enjoy a movie and spend time with friends.

Spaces must be booked in advance via Arbor, so don't miss out on this exciting new addition to Cavendish After School Club!

We can't wait to dim the lights, grab the popcorn and press play!  



A cosy monthly movie experience at Cavendish

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Cinema Screenings with Miss Ince!

BOOKING ESSENTIAL
Places need to be booked in advance as a licensing fee applies to each screening.

What's included?
Popcorn for every child
Cosy mats, blankets and comfy spaces
A relaxed, fun cinema atmosphere

SCREENING TIME
Films start promptly at 3:15pm
We recommend booking the 2-hour slot from 3:15pm–5:15pm so children can settle in, enjoy their popcorn and watch the full film.

AUTUMN SCREENINGS

- Friday 25th September – *The Spiderwick Chronicles* (PG) – 1h 36m
- Thursday 22nd October – *Hotel Transylvania* (PG) – 1h 31m
October screening is on a Thursday due to the PD day on Friday 23rd October.
- Friday 27th November – *Alice in Wonderland* (2010) (PG) – 1h 48m
- Friday 18th December – *Arthur Christmas* (PG) – 1h 37m

We can't wait to get the blankets out, pop the popcorn and enjoy some fantastic films together!

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In case you missed it...



Cavendish CE Primary School

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🕷️ 📖 Anansi the Spider 📖 🕷️

This week in Robins Class, our learning is inspired by the traditional tale Anansi the Spider! 🌿

We have loved seeing the children use their imaginations and follow their own ideas through our carefully planned provision. ❤️

#RobinsClass #AnansiTheSpider #Provision
#EYFS #Year1 #Year2 #LearningThroughPlay
#ChildLedLearning #Literacy
#ContinuousProvision #PrimarySchool



Cavendish CE Primary School

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🍂 🌿 Today's After School Club 🌿 🐛

What a wonderful afternoon spent exploring, creating and enjoying the changing season! 🍁

The children headed outdoors for some mini-beast hunting, discovering all sorts of little creatures hiding amongst the leaves and woodland floor. 🐞 🕷️ 🔍

We also enjoyed colouring and crafts outside, using our surroundings as inspiration and started collecting the beautiful autumn leaves as the first signs of the new season begin to appear. 🍂 🎨 ✂️

There's something so special about learning, creating and having fun in the great outdoors! 🌿 🌳



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Junior Padel Coaching – Sudbury

Elevate Padel Coaching is offering fun junior padel sessions at Padel Evolution, Sudbury, helping children develop skills, stay active and make friends.

-  Fridays | 11 September–11 December
- Ages 6–9: 4:30–5:15pm | £96 for 12 weeks
 - Ages 10–15: 5:15–6:00pm | £108 for 12 weeks

 Book here: [6–9 years](#) | [10–15 years](#)
More information: elevatepadelcoaching.com/padel-evolution



Sudbury Model Railway Exhibition

The Sudbury Model Railway Club is holding its annual exhibition on Saturday 3rd October.

Come along to see 13 working model railway layouts, with new and second-hand model railway items also available to buy.

A great event for train enthusiasts and families!



A reminder about our Birthday Book Initiative

– a wonderful way to celebrate your child's birthday while helping to grow our school library.

Families are invited to donate a book to the school library on or around their child's birthday. Each donated book will receive a special bookplate with the child's name and birthday, creating a lasting keepsake for our library.

Participation is entirely voluntary. Families can choose a book from our Amazon Wishlist or donate a favourite book of their own.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us inspire a love of reading across our school community!

To view our Birthday Book Wishlist, please follow this link:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2MHANBMOD9BNH?ref=wl_share



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School Calendar 2026–2027

Welcome to another exciting school year ahead! Below you'll find all of our key dates to help you plan ahead. We'll add more events throughout the year, so please keep an eye on our newsletters and website for updates.

Please note: Dates may occasionally change due to circumstances beyond our control.

September 2026

1st & 2nd September	PD Days – School closed to pupils
3rd September	Children return to school
15th September (2:30–3:00pm)	myHappyMind Parent Session
21st September	Flu Vaccinations (more information to follow)
22nd September	Book in a Box Competition entries close (more information to follow)
24th–29th September	Book Fair after school each day
25th September	Bake Sale – raising money for our end-of-year celebrations
26th September (9:30–11:00am)	Reception Discovery Morning for September 2027 starters

October 2026

6th October (10:00–11:30am)	Reception Discovery Morning for September 2027 starters
7th October (11:00am–12:00pm)	Save the Children Christmas Song Recording with Chris Warren (£2 sug-
Week commencing 19th October	Parent-Teacher Consultations
21st October	Harvest Festival supporting Boomerang Pet Food Bank
21st October	Harvest Bake Sale at Church
23rd October	PD Day – School closed to pupils
26th–30th October	Half Term

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December 2026

4th December	Whole School Trip – Dick Whittington
10th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Date TBC	Year 5/6 Christmas Carols at Devonshire House
Date TBC	Christmas Dinner
14th & 15th December	Nativity Rehearsals at Church
16th December (9:15am)	EYFS/KS1 Nativity
16th December (2:00–3:00pm)	Christingle Service
16th December (5:30pm)	Evening Nativity Performance
18th December	Christmas Bake Sale
18th December	Last Day of Term

January 2027

4th January	PD Day
5th January	Children return to school
29th January	Bake Sale

February 2027

w.c. 8th February	Parent-Teacher Consultations
15th–19th February	Half Term
26th February	Bake Sale

March 2027

4th March	World Book Day
8th March (2:00pm)	Mother's Day Event
19th March	Red Nose Day (£1 donation – theme to be confirmed)
23rd March (2:00–3:00pm)	Easter Church Service
23rd March	Easter Bake Sale
25th March	Last Day of Term

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April 2027

12th April	Children return
30th April	Bake Sale

May 2027

3rd May	Bank Holiday
10th–13th May	SATs Week
14th May	End of SATs week surprise!
27th May	Bake Sale
28th May	PD Day
31st May–4th June	Half Term

June 2027

7th June	PD Day
9th–11th June	Year 5/6 Residential – Bawdsey Manor
21st June	Father's Day Event
23rd June (9:30am–1:00pm)	Sports Day & Family Picnic
25th June	Final Bake Sale

July 2027

9th July (10:00–11:00am)	Year 5/6 Production
Week commencing 12th July	School Reports Sent Home
16th July (1:30pm)	Colour Run
21st July (2:00–3:00pm)	End of Year Church Service
21st July	Last Day of Term

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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