



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

Friday 21st April 2023

**Prayer of the week**

Dear God

Thank you for new equipment for this lovely term.

We ask that you support children and friends

and we look up to you

and hope that Miss Wass will come back better.

Amen

By Joshua

**School Update**

As you are aware Miss Wass is not well enough to return to school yet. The school governors with support from the LA have asked Mr Gray, Headteacher at Acton CEVC Primary School to support the school leadership until Miss Wass can return to school. Mr Gray will be onsite on a Tuesday and Wednesday moving forward. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office or Mr Gray directly when he is onsite.

**Pupil Voice: "Our class news"**

**Mars:** *"This week we have been learning our numbers up to 20 in maths, and in English we're learning tricky words. My favourite bit of the week has been learning our dance for the dance festival."* Mioni

**Jupiter:** *"This week we've been learning about an author called Anthony Browne. He has written over 50 books; one of them is called Gorilla. In maths we have been learning to take away big numbers with exchanging."* Billy

**Saturn:** *"We had the best time at Forest School. We made things with sticks and mud, and we could even put mud on our faces like the two tribes in our Peace Child play last term."* Henry

**Neptune:** *"It's been a special week because a new picnic table has been delivered to school, to commemorate the school's 160<sup>th</sup> anniversary. My design was chosen to go on top and I feel really proud. School is a bit like a home, with all our friends in it so it's really nice to know that even when I've left for secondary school, there will still be a piece of me here".* Dan

**School news**

**New Buddy Bench**



This week there has been an exciting new addition to the playground thanks for the fund-raising efforts of the PTFA. A brand new 'Buddy Bench' has been installed as a space the children can use to help find a playtime friend. The children have been keen to use the bench and its presence has already had a lovely impact on pupils, and has highlighted the kind, caring nature of the Cavendish pupil community. A huge thanks to the PTFA for funding this.

### Did you spot our new picnic table?

The eagle-eyed among us may have spotted a lovely new picnic table in the playground. This fantastic addition is the result of a special project run by Mrs Ling and the Arts Council. Children across the school were invited to create a design to commemorate the 160<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the school, with challenge, creativity and compassion in mind. With a spectacular array of designs submitted, it was down to the Arts Council to choose just one to be printed on the top of the new table. With much anticipation, the table has now been delivered and has become a great new hub for the children to use in the playground. Well done Dan from Neptune class – what a fantastic design for a very special piece of commemorative furniture. Also, a big thanks must be extended to our devoted PTFA and all the parents, carers and friends that support the fundraising events.



### Prestige sports clubs

We are delighted to offer Dodgeball & Football Club as after school clubs after the Easter break. Dodgeball on Mondays and Football on Thursdays with Coach Branham (Mr Ince).

Please use the following link to book your space:

<https://prestige-sports.class4kids.co.uk/term/155>

Don't forget if you haven't been before you can try the clubs for free to see if you like it by booking a free trial.

### Book Buddy days

A reminder of 'Book Buddy' days for this term:

Monday – Mars class

Tuesday – Saturn class

Wednesday – Neptune class

Thursday – Jupiter class

### School meal price increase and new menu

Due to the increase in costs of food, transport and staffing the price of providing school meals has risen. From the 1<sup>st</sup> of April the charge has increased to £2.60 per meal. The new menu is available to view on the school website.

### Parent picnic and Sports Day - 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023



Sports day will take place on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 1.15pm on the village green. Parents and carers are invited into school to share a picnic lunch with your children in the school grounds before sports day commences. If the weather is not suitable on this day the picnic and sports day will be on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June.

### Dates for Statutory Assessments

KS2 SAT's - 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> May 2023

KS1 SAT's - 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> May 2023

KS1 Phonics Screening – Week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023  
Year 4 Time table screening - will take place between 5<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023

### PTFA Monthly Update

Following some recent PTFA meetings, planning is underway for our summer fete on 26th May. We do need a few more volunteers to help set up and/or host some traditional stalls and games on the day. If you, your partner or a grandparent can spare the time that day, please let our Chair Louise King know. We will also soon be collecting unopened bottles for the tombola at the summer fete (alcohol, soft drinks, sauces, beauty products etc) so perhaps over the holidays you could please check your cupboards (or relatives' cupboards!) for anything you can spare! Charlotte Halsall (Mars) will be kindly collecting these after Easter during morning drop-offs.

A big thank you to David Burr Clare for sponsoring our library this month and to Rosehip Hair Design for April's library sponsorship, resulting in a bag of new books being delivered to the school library, alongside additional 'World Book Day' surplus books which were kindly donated by Harris and Harris in Clare.

Finally, we understand that Mars class would love an additional 'Fresh Air Friday' volunteer - please get in touch with the school directly if you can help.

We are still on the hunt for a new Treasurer, if you (or your partner) can help, please contact our Chair, Louise King, on 07789 990894. Many thanks and Happy Easter!

### Community news

#### Make a Coronation Crown competition



#### Cavendish Brownies

The Cavendish Brownies meet at Cavendish C of E

Primary School on Tuesday evenings during term time only. Brownies is on between 6pm-7.30pm and are for girls 7-9 years old. For further information email Rebecca (Leader 1st Cavendish Brownies) at [cavendishguiding@gmail.com](mailto:cavendishguiding@gmail.com).

#### Community Pantry @ St Marys Church -Moved to Clare Church

Reverend Mark has advised that the Cavendish Community Pantry has been moved to Clare Church. Please take what you need and leave what you can. Should you need any further financial assistance please contact Reverend Mark.

## Guitar & piano lessons with Up Beat Tuition

Dear Families - we have space starting at half term for guitar or piano lessons at Cavendish Primary School. These are taught one2one on Thursday afternoon during the school day. The lessons are £18 per half hour lesson and payable termly (half term payments are accepted).

If you would like to take a space on these lessons or for more information, please contact [info@up-beat-tuition.co.uk](mailto:info@up-beat-tuition.co.uk) or message 07834628470.

## Dates for your diary

- Year 6 Crucial Crew – 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023
- Neptune Class activity day trip – 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023
- Spring Dance Festival and Fete – 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023 from 1.15pm –All invited
- Mars Class trip to Gainsborough House – 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023 (details to follow)
- Picnic and Sports Day – 19<sup>th</sup> June, picnic onsite 11.45-12.45, sports day to commence at 1.15pm



## School term and holiday dates 2022/2023

### Summer term

- Children Start Tuesday 18 April
- Bank Holiday Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May
- Bank Holiday Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May
- Half term Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June
- Last day Thursday 20 July
- PD Day Friday 21 July

## School Term and Holiday dates 2023/2024

### Autumn Term

- PD Days Friday 1 and Monday 4 September
- Children Start Tuesday 5 September
- Half term Monday 23 October to Friday 27 October
- Last day Thursday 21 December

### Spring Term

- PD Day Friday 5 January
- Children Start Monday 8 January
- Half term Monday 19 to Friday 23 February
- Last day Thursday 28 March

### Summer Term

- PD Day Friday 12 April
- Children Start Monday 15 April
- Bank Holiday Monday 6 May
- PD Day Friday 24 May
- Half term Monday 27 May to Friday 2 June
- Last day Friday 19 July