

Cavendish Church of England Primary School

Newsletter - Spring Term 2020

Friday 6th March 2020 No: 021

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



Prayer of the week – written by Benjamin

Dear God, thank you for all the trees so we can breathe.

Thank you for plants in spring.

Can you help us care for animals?

Thank you for friends to play with.

Thank you for teachers taking us to Forest School, Amen.

Celebration Assembly & Headteacher Awards

Headteacher awards this week were given to Mars Class – Esme; Jupiter Class – Matilda; Saturn Class – Harry; Neptune Class – Shannon.

World Book Day



We were delighted to see the children arrive at school dressed as a character from one of their favourite books. Thank you to all parents and carers for helping the children create their costumes. The traditional Story Stations were very popular and we very much appreciate the volunteers and governors who gave us their time during the afternoon to read special stories to the children, which were enjoyed by all. A special thanks, also, to Mrs Callegari for judging the best costumes.

Reading and Relaxation

We are really pleased to introduce a new section to the Newsletter which will promote reading for pleasure. Each week there will be a book review so children and adults can share their reading choices. Research shows that reading for just six minutes a day is proven to increase wellbeing and good mood by 68%.

Book Swap

We will be holding the children's book swap next week so there is still the chance to bring some books to school in the morning on Monday. All children are able to take part in the book swap.

Science Week

Our Science Week theme is Biodiversity and we launched Science Week today with a visit from Mrs Davies who talked to the children about Biodiversity and how to use plastics responsibly. Each class had an activity to support care of wildlife. Many thanks to Mrs Davies for her time and preparation. As a whole school activity, please see a Science Week competition form in your child's book bag. We are also looking forward to visits from scientists from a range of different areas which we hope will inspire the children. Children in Years 4, 5 and 6 will be visiting Skar Precision Mouldings Plastics Factory in Hadleigh to see how plastics are used sustainably.

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Sport Relief – Friday 13th March

We are using Sport Relief Day to explore our three core values of challenge, creativity and compassion. Children will be meeting a personal challenge as they try their best on the individual challenge activity circuits. They will be showing compassion as this is a fundraising event to support those in need. Please see the sponsorship form coming home on Monday. Finally, children will be exploring sport as an expression of creativity with a Nerf & Laser challenge in the afternoon led by our early sports club providers.

Department for Education Coronavirus helpline

New guidance is available from the Department for Education to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. The helpline details are as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687,

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours are 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday.

Lost Property

A wrist watch has been found in school. Please ask at the school office.

Neptune Class

Two important dates for this year:

SATS Key Stage 2 – week beginning Monday 11th May 2020

Neptune Class Residential Visit – 30th to 31st March 2020 to Kingswood Residential

Reading and Relaxation

‘Guardians of the Galaxy’ – Reviewed by Archie

Groot is a tree-like best friend, who doesn't say much; his vocabulary is limited to 'I' and 'am' and 'Groot'. In this book, there is a villain called Ronan who wants an object called an orb (infinity stone). The main theme is saving the Galaxy. This book is great for anyone who likes Marvel or action movies. I think it is a KS2 book. My favourite quote from the book is *'Not her-him!' Rocket shouted at Groot. 'Learn your pronouns, Groot'*. The most exciting part is when Ronan comes to the Klyn to try and find: Drax, Gamora, Star Lord, Rocket and Groot (which have escaped and they are on the way to Earth). I rate it a 5 star.

Mars Class – We had World Book Day. I was the witch from 'Room on the Broom'. – Phoebe

Jupiter Class – On Thursday it was World Book Day. I was the Sugar Plum Fairy. We went to different Story Stations and listened to new stories. - Elsie

Saturn Class – In English this week we have been learning about play scripts. We had a long text that we had to put into play script formation. I found it so much fun. In Maths we have been learning about equivalent fractions. Mrs Clarke taught us about how each fraction has to be equal and fair. In Drama we have been learning our play script. We have also been learning our songs and dance for the play. – Amelia

Neptune Class – This week we have been watching clips of the movie Water Horse and we had a planning sheet so we could plan our story about it. We have already started our story and we are writing about what happens in Water Horse. In Forest School this week we have learnt how to hold and take out a sharp knife. We have also then done some whittling with the knife to use the sticks to make a bird feeder. With a fork, some trowels and a shovel we dug a big hole to plant the Mars Class Christmas tree in Forest School. – Sam

Dates for your Diary

March

9 th	Science Week
10 th	Year 5 workshop and feedback, 3.30pm
12 th	Years 4,5 and 6 visit to Skar Precision Mouldings, Hadleigh
12 th	Year 3 workshop and feedback, 3.30pm
12 th	PTFA meeting at The Five Bells, 7.30pm
13 th	Sport Relief
17 th	Jupiter Class visit to an organic farm
18 th	Neptune Class visit to Clare Country Park
19 th	Reception class EYFS workshop and feedback, 3.30pm
24 th	Year 6 – Crucial Crew
25 th	Saturn Class Play to parents 'Fleeced' at 9.30am
26 th	Volunteers' update Safeguarding training
30 th & 31 st	Neptune Class Kingswood residential visit

April

2 nd	PTFA Easter Bake Off Competition
2 nd	Last day of term - Church Service at St Mary's Church, 1:15pm

School Term and Holiday dates follow on the next two pages, 2019/2020 and 2020/2021



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School Term and Holiday dates 2019/2020

Autumn Term

PD Day	Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 September
Children Start	Wednesday 4 September
Half term	Monday 21 October to Friday 25 October
Last day	Wednesday 18 December

Spring Term

PD Day	Monday 6 January
Children Start	Tuesday 7 January
Half term	Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February
Last day	Thursday 2 April

Summer Term

PD Day	Monday 20 April
Children Start	Tuesday 21 April
Half term	Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May
Last day	Wednesday 22 July



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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