



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

**Friday 23th June 2023**

**Prayer of the week**

**Dear God**

Thank you for our lovely world and that we are provided with nice food to eat.  
Please help those people who don't have enough to eat.

Amen

By Josh

**Star of the week:**

**Mars: James**

**Jupiter: Oliver**

**Saturn: Isabelle**

**Neptune: Sienna**

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

**Mars:** "My favourite bit of the week was throwing the javelin at sports day, and also having an ice lolly after! We've also learned lots about bees; they live in a hive and make honey that we can eat!"  
James

**Jupiter:** "I really enjoyed sports day this week, especially running around the big track with everyone cheering. Also this week, I've enjoyed writing a stanza in a poem about birds. In maths we had to solve clues using fractions, addition and comparing numbers – that was really fun too."  
Malaak

**Saturn:** "In maths this week we have been re-capping column method for both addition and subtraction; column method is a really good way to work out tricky sums. The best bit of the week though was the Ancient Egypt workshop – it was great! At the workshop we got to wrap a pretend mummy in real cloth; the ancient Egyptians did this to help the Pharaohs travel safely through the underworld to the Gods. And did you know that in a tomb in the Valley of the Kings, they even found some mummified pets such as cats and dogs?!" Barnaby

**Neptune:** "This week we have been working hard on rehearsing our Shakespeare play, The Twelfth Night. The weather has been nice so we've been able to practice it outside. I really like the scene where we all join in together – it's fun learning to do the acting for it. I've also really enjoyed football club at lunchtime with Mr Ince." Josh

**School news**

**A fun-filled sports day**

"Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Sports Day and special picnic lunch. It was a really positive afternoon full of fun, perseverance and great sportsmanship. We are all really proud of the children, who all rose to the challenge of the many races and competitions. It was lovely to see the children encouraging and cheering for each other, as well as seeing so many adults gathered to support the children." *Mrs Clarke, PE subject lead*

As a school, we received lovely feedback from those who attended the event – it's really great to know the day was well received and enjoyed by parents as well as the children. One attendee said, "*We just wanted to say how much we enjoyed the afternoon. The staff obviously put a lot of work into it and the children were all very well behaved. We were very impressed that all the*

*children, regardless of their ages, were loudly and enthusiastically encouraging and supporting the children on the running track - especially for those that were trailing a bit behind the faster runners. Thanks for a lovely afternoon."*



### **“Thankyou PTFA for the ice lollies”**

The children would like to extend a big ‘Thank you’ to the PTFA who supplied a delicious ice lolly for every child after sports day. They were certainly a welcome treat and a lovely way to end a really great day!

### **Neptune’s school trip to Cambridge**

On Thursday Neptune class visited the Cambridge New Mosque and Beth Shalom Synagogue as part of their core learning for Religious Studies. Starting their day at the Cambridge New Mosque, the children were guided by a fantastic host, who offered a wealth of fascinating information including how the Mosque was designed by Emma Clark, the same architect who designed the London Eye. She showed the children their green space, which is prevalent to their eco-friendly ethos and also the beautiful calligraphy scribing on the outside of the building. Inside the Mosque, the children learned about the importance of washing hands, removing shoes and the direction of Prayer. Matilda explains, “The Mosque was so pretty – there were lots of gold and turquoise colours, and it had lovely carvings. It was also really interesting to find out about Mecca.” The second part of the day saw the children visit the Beth Shalom Synagogue where they learned about the Shabbat (the special meal that Jewish people hold on a Friday night). They also had the opportunity to see the Torah scrolls. “The Torah was really lovely,” explains Beau, “It was really special to see it”.



### **Saturn class enjoyed a fascinating Egyptian workshop**

Saturn class were treated to a whole-day workshop on Wednesday, all about Ancient Egypt, to further enrich their topic work. The action-packed day was a huge hit with the children and really brought the topic to life for them. Charlie reports, “I learned so much – it was a really fun day.

Some of the best and most extraordinary bits were seeing pictures of what Tutankhamun might have looked like, and also seeing canopic jars. We also got to see a real arrow head made of stone. We learned how the ancient Egyptians measure things; they used cubits, which is the length from your wrist to elbow, palms and fingers. We took turns to measure each other – I am three cubits, two palms and one finger! Another really interesting thing was learning about the animals they hunted and the way they used their spears. We did a really fun game with cardboard cut-out animals and foam javelins to see which team could 'hunt' the most animals; there was different amounts of points for each animal. Thank you for a really extraordinary and fun day!"



### **KS1 theatre workshop**

Mars and Jupiter classes were treated to a superb enrichment afternoon on Thursday. The Doorstop Theatre company visited school and put on an afternoon performance of singing, dancing and puppeteering. The children got involved with all aspects of the performance though the vivid characters who taught them songs, dances and made them laugh in with their beautifully creative and interactive performance. The children also learned new dance styles such as tap dancing, which was a real hit with them all. "It was so much fun," reports Myles. "The best bit was when a seagull chased the Grandma. And at the end, we all got stickers too!"



### **Change to the lunch menu**

There has been a change to our lunch menu. On week 3, Friday's main course will now be Battered Fish & Chips with Peas or Baked Beans. This change will be in place permanently.

### **Cavendish Primary School receives prestigious Artsmark Gold Award**

We are very proud to announce that Cavendish Primary has been awarded an Artsmark Gold Award. The Artsmark Award is the only creative quality standard for schools, accredited by Arts Council England. It supports schools to develop and celebrate arts and cultural education, ensuring that every young person can be creative and access a diverse, high-quality cultural education.

The Artsmark assessor commended Cavendish Primary by stating: “Cavendish Church of England Primary School is clearly a school that constantly strives to improve on its own personal best. The school has many collaborations with external partners, which make a significant contribution to the quality of arts and culture provision. For example, being a Royal Shakespeare Company Associated School has enabled them to access training for staff and pupils alike. The school took part in ‘The Weavers’ Project, celebrating local arts, which has supported pupils to become more aware of not only local history but also career opportunities in the Arts and creative industries. Diversity is recognised and celebrated through the Arts, with support from parents and the PTFA to visit museums, art galleries and places of worship such as Cambridge Mosque. Connections are made across the curriculum to support other areas of learning. For instance, when studying the Rise of Victorian Democracy in history, children study William Morris as part of the Arts and Crafts movement and use their earlier botanical drawing skills to develop their own nature inspired stylised wallpaper prints.”

As a school we are delighted to receive gold status recognition. Creativity and the arts are at the heart of our vision statement, and we have developed our curriculum to reflect this. It is lovely to see this recognised as a strength, and reflects the hard work of the children and staff involved.



**Artsmark  
Gold Award**  
Awarded by Arts  
Council England



### Scarecrow trail

As a school, we would like to take part in this year's scarecrow trail through the village in late August early September. To celebrate our 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Arts Council have planned for us to make a scarecrow teacher and two children as they would have looked when the school first opened, and for comparison – a teacher and two children from modern day with our current school uniform on. We will display these at the front of the school.

To make this possible, we are asking for donations of newspaper, a black dress or skirt, white shirts, trousers and long-sleeved tops to form the bodies. Thank you in advance from the Arts Council.

### **Book Buddy days**

'Book Buddy' days for this half term are as follows:

Monday – Jupiter class

Tuesday – Neptune class

Wednesday – Saturn class

Thursday – Mars class

### **PE kit reminder**

On PE days, children should come to school in 'school PE kit'. This should consist of a plain red t-shirt/sweater and plain black shorts/joggers. Please do not send children in own clothes/different colour clothes – the requirement is to wear school PE kit. These items do not have to be purchased via school or have the school logo on them, they can be purchased in most supermarkets or from online retailers. The PTFA also have a selection of pre-loved items for sale.

### **Dinner money accounts**

Please can you check your dinner money accounts and clear any outstanding balances.

### **Prestige sports clubs**

We are delighted to offer Dodgeball & Football Club as after school clubs next term

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/172>

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. If your child is eligible for pupil premium and you would like to book please contact the office.

### **PTFA Monthly Update**

We would love to welcome new PTFA members to help us plan future events so please contact our Chair, Louise King, at [cavendishceprimaryptfa@gmail.com](mailto:cavendishceprimaryptfa@gmail.com) if you would like to help us in the future. Thank you.

### **Community news**

#### **Maxim Sports Summer Camps**



The poster for Maxim Sports Summer Camps features a vibrant blue background with a group of children in various sports gear. The text 'KIDS SUMMER CAMPS' is written in large, colorful letters. The Maxim Sports Coaching logo is in the top right corner. The dates '25TH JULY - 24TH AUGUST' are prominently displayed. The price '£20 PER DAY' is highlighted in a pink box, with a note that multi-day discounts are available. The activities listed include Football, Dance, Nerf, Multi-Sports & Goalkeeping, plus BRAND NEW Basketball Camps & Wellness Workshops. The location is Cornard Leisure Centre & AFC Sudbury. At the bottom, there are social media icons for Instagram and Facebook, and contact information for Cornard Leisure Centre and Maxim Sports Coaching, including an email address and a website. A call to action 'BOOK YOUR PLACES ONLINE!' is also present.

## **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.

## **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 or message 07834628470.



### **Dates for your diary**

- 27<sup>th</sup> June - Neptune Class – Great Fire of London Workshop onsite
- 5<sup>th</sup> July - RSC Twelfth Night production – Colchester

## **School term and holiday dates 2022/2023**

### **Summer term**

- 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