CAVENDISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 18th July 2025





Message from Headteacher:

What a truly wonderful way to begin wrapping up our summer term! Our whole-school visit to the zoo was a roaring success – full of excitement, curiosity,

and unforgettable memories. The children were captivated by the animals, and it was heart-warming to see so many joyful moments of learning and discovery.



Back at school, we were also thrilled to host an Explore Outdoor experience right here on our own grounds, thanks to the brilliant team from Abbeycroft Outdoors. The children took part in a range of

adventurous and hands-on activities, including firelighting, breadmaking, and even rock climbing! These sessions were not only great fun, but also helped develop confidence, teamwork, and practical life skills. Seeing our pupils so engaged challenging themselves, supporting one another, and embracing the outdoors was an absolute delight.



As we approach the end of term, there's still more to look forward to. We have two days left next week—Monday and Tuesday, and we will be marking the end of the year with our Year 6 Leavers' Service on Tuesday at 2pm in the church. This is always a special and emotional moment as we celebrate our Year 6s and wish them all the very best as they move on to the next exciting stage of their journey.

It's been a fantastic term, and I want to say a huge thank you to our pupils, staff, and families for making it so positive and full of life. While we're not quite there yet, the summer holidays are nearly upon us and I'm already looking forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another brilliant year ahead.

Forest school highlights

This week at Forest School, students learned all about fire safety. They explored the fire triangle and practiced techniques for safely extinguishing a fire. To wrap up the session, everyone enjoyed toasting S'mores and making delicious nettle pesto — a fun and tasty end to an educational day outdoors!



Thank you to our wonderful volunteers



A massive thank you to our volunteers for all their help this academic year.

Miss Summers who has been on work placement with us this year, leaves us for University in September! We wish Miss Summers all the best for her future.

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After-School Art Club is back at Cavendish Primary for September! Please check your emails, if you wish to sign up.

Also a massive thank you to Phillippa who came in on Wednesday and created a wonderful noticeboard with all the children's artwork from the whole school Art Day!



<u>Tilian news</u>

We have included a message from Richard Benstock (Headteacher at Gislingham CE Primary, part of the Tilian Partnership). This message relates to Cancer and therefore please read if you wish.

Message from Matilda C – Work experience

To Cavendish Primary,

Thank you so much for letting me do my work experience with you! I loved every moment! Please can you thank all the teachers and pupils for making it such a valuable experience.

Thanks again

Kind regards, Tilly

Key dates for your diary:

Please see upcoming events:

22nd July – 13:00 pm – Ice cream van is coming to school! - The PTFA have kindly paid for every child to have an ice cream on Tuesday! A massive thank you to the PTFA!

22nd July – 14:00 pm – Whole school end of academic year & year 6 leavers service

1st & 2nd Sept - PD Days

3rd Sept – Children return to School



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Message from Richard Benstock (Headteacher at Gislingham CE Primary, part of the Tilian Partnership).

Thank you in advance for reading this message! My name is Richard and I am one of the headteachers in the Tilian Partnership. My wife was sadly diagnosed with Triple Negative Breast Cancer in October and has been undergoing some intensive treatment ever since. She is still battling hard with some days being better than others. She has gained support from some new friends who have developed an App called 'Hope to Connect' to help other cancer sufferers connect with people in the same boat for support,

encouragement, general discussion and to help combat the loneliness.

She has recently been asked to be their first "ambassador", which she is delighted about. She is trying to spread the word to as many people as possible about the App because she knows how much this can help.

If you or anyone you know is battling cancer of any form or stage, please ask them to check out this new support platform. Here is what they say about themselves:



HOPE TO CONNECT -

"Because no one should face cancer alone."

Hope to Connect was created with one purpose: to ease the loneliness that often comes with a cancer diagnosis. We're trying to build an app that is a safe, understanding space where people with cancer can connect for friendship, support, and even love.



What is Hope to Connect?

It's a brand-new app launching soon that lets people with cancer find others nearby or across the country based on cancer type, age, gender, values, and interests. Whether you're looking for a friend to talk to at 2am, someone to share a bucket list adventure with, or a potential partner who understands the journey — Hope to Connect is here for you.

🙎 Giving Back

Every quarter, 10% of our profits will be donated back to cancer charities. Our users will help choose which charities benefit — because this community gives as much as it receives.

Get Involved

- Follow us on social media: @HopeToConnect
- Share our mission with friends & family
- Join our events or set up your own fundraiser
- And most importantly... stay with us for

the launch 🌌

Together, we're building more than an app

we're building hope, connection, and community.

With love and gratitude,

Emma & Mandeep

Founders of Hope to Connect

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Thanks again everyone!

Kind regards,

Richard