# Cavendish Church of England Primary School Newsletter - Summer Term 2020 Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2020 No: 038

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



















Prayer of the week - Ellie

Dear Lord,
We hope to make our community a better place
and to try not to pollute the world,
to help our community
and to be positive and happy everywhere we go.
Amen

#### **Headteacher Awards**

Headteacher awards this week were given to Charlie - Mars Bubble; Leo - Hall Bubble, Lewis - Key Worker Bubble.

#### **Home Mathematicians**

Well done to the following children who have had the most frequent home use in RM Maths in their respective year groups: Paige, Isabel, Ellie, Joe, Tom F, Harry C.

# **Key Worker Provision**

Please note that once Key Worker places are allocated, these are available for full time provision as the table and equipment will not be used by any other child. If you have any queries, please phone the school.

#### Class Transition – Socially distanced picnics!

Mrs Clarke writes: It was lovely to see everyone and have some super conversations about what has been happening at school and at home. Despite the weather our spirits were not dampened! It was exciting to introduce Mrs Williams to Neptune class as we look forward to seeing you all in September.

# Key Worker Bubble - Bastille Day, 14th July \*

Children in the Key Worker Bubble (Neptune class base) will be having a French cheese food tasting as part of their French curriculum as they learn about Bastille Day.

# Miss Gant's Bubble (Hall) \*

As part of their curriculum topic on the seaside, Miss Gant's bubble will be recreating an ice cream parlour next week.

\*For either of these activities please let the school know if any allergens or dietary restrictions have been changed since the start of the academic year.

## **School Opening Autumn Term**

As you will be aware, the Government is currently releasing information and guidance for schools for September 2020. Whilst current aims are for a full return of all year groups to school in September where attendance is, once again, mandatory, this may be subject to localised changes and is subject to further guidance which is scheduled to be published by the Government in August. Currently, families, as with schools, should plan for a full return on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020. We will put any updates on the school website but you may prefer to be contacted by email and we will use this method for all families for whom we have an email address.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term

# **Year 6 Activity Week**

We are delighted to be inviting Year 6 to join us at school for an activity week from 13<sup>th</sup> July. In this week we will be covering our own Covid-19 version of all our traditional rites of passage which each Year 6 experiences in the summer term. Children in Year 6 should wear school uniform on Monday and Friday (or as close as still fits you!), Forest School clothes on Tuesday and Wednesday, and PE Kit on Thursday. They will require a water bottle and packed lunch each day but under our Covid-19 risk assessment no pencil cases, personal reading equipment or any other items should be brought in to school. Children can arrive between 8.30-9.00am and should enter via the main door. Their bubble space will be in the Jupiter classroom with Mrs Gibbs as their lead adult. Children will be dismissed at 3.15pm after Miss Gant's bubble via the main door. Children who have permission may still walk home unaccompanied, but should observe social distancing on the slip road.

# **Year 6 Transition to Secondary School**

As part of the Year 6 Activity Week we have arranged for our main secondary school providers to come and talk to the children at Cavendish. This will enable children to ask any questions they may have and support the transition work already being done directly with families.

#### **School Reports**

School Reports are available for collection from school. Please do email or telephone the school before you arrive as, due to the confidential nature of the report, they cannot be left out on the table in the entrance lobby and must be collected individually. Please note that we would require written consent before a child's report can be released to a person who is not the legal parent or guardian.

#### **Archive Work**

In accordance with the school Archive Work Policy, archive work has been sent home today for children who are attending school. Children who are learning at home may phone or email to arrange collection before the end of term, or the books will be kept in school to return in September.

#### **Kingswood Residential**

Naturally we share your disappointment that this residential visit has been unable to take place. Please be assured that we are still in communication with the providers and will be contacting families as soon as we have a committed outcome.

#### Relationships and Sex Education Policy and Procedures

New Government guidelines for relationships and sex education content to be delivered in schools is changing in the academic year commencing September 2020. We are inviting parents and carers to share their views about our existing provision and suggestions for further improvement which will be taken in consultation with new statutory guidelines. You may wish to complete a brief questionnaire or free type your views. Please send either your responses or request a copy of the questionnaire by email.

#### St Mary's Church

For your information, Cavendish St Mary's Church is now open for private prayer and reflection between 10.00am to 12.00 noon each Sunday.

#### **School Dinner Credit/Debit**

We are in discussion with some families regarding school meal provision. Existing credits/debits for school lunches will be carried forward to September. If you would like information on your individual position, please email a request to the school. Families of children who are in receipt of free school meals will be contacted next week regarding the summer holiday meal provision.

#### **Free School Meals**

There has been much media coverage about extending the provision of free school meals to cover the summer holiday period. Currently the school has not been given specific guidance about how this would be implemented. However, if your circumstances at home have changed and you feel you may now be

eligible, please see the information below to check if your child is eligible. If you are able to apply online, you will receive an immediate response or please call 0345 606 6067 for advice.

https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-meals-uniforms-and-trips/apply-for-free-school-meals/

Your child will get free school meals if you receive any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit but no element of Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenues & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190
- If you are supported under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Working Tax Credit during the four-week period immediately after your employment finishes or after you start to work fewer hours per week
- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400 (£616.67 per month), as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).

#### **Attendance**

Following the government guidance, it is important to note that any child who is ill, or any child who does not feel unwell but is displaying covid-19 symptoms, should NOT attend school, and we are asking families to err on the side of caution during this phase. Any child displaying symptoms of:

- Temperature
- Cough
- Loss of sense of smell
- Loss of taste

(as specified 19.5.2020)

will have their parent or carer informed for immediate collection, and will be expected to self-isolate until a negative test result is received. Any siblings in attendance will also require collection at the same time.

Government guidance states anybody with symptoms is now eligible for testing. Please note the test MUST be taken within 3-5 days of symptoms emerging. Children will be allowed back into school once a negative test result is confirmed with a copy sent to the school, and they feel well enough to attend.

# **Play Area Outside School**

The Parish Council have asked us to inform parents about the use of this area. Only 6 children permitted at any one time, please use one gate for going in and one gate for going out, please use hand gel before and after use, no food or drink is allowed in the area, please keep your distance and, lastly please wash your hands when you get home.

## **Staying Safe Online**

Please see below a link you may find helpful which has plenty of useful tips and strategies and is able to be read on phones and tablets. There are articles on home schooling, managing emotions during this period, ways to keep kids occupied, and much more:

www.triplep-parenting.uk.net/uk-en/special-editions/positive-parenting-during-covid-19-uk/

## **Department for Education Coronavirus helpline**

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: <a href="mailto:DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk">DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk</a>

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

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers

#### **School Uniform**

We have some limited stock of school uniform available at 2019/2020 prices. Please complete the order form (available on the school website) and submit if you would like new uniform. Payment should be made

at the time of order. Please note we have been advised by our suppliers that prices will need to increase from September with the arrival of new stock. There are no changes to any of the school uniform designs or requirements. Please do take time to label any new items as the amount of clothing which is never reclaimed from lost property causes us dismay from an ecological and financial viewpoint.



# **Cavendish Church of England Primary School**

# 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