

CAVENDISH WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

25th April 2025



Message from Headteacher:

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Easter break. As we step into the summer term, I'm so excited to share that our school has had a wonderful refresh over the holidays, marking the start of a new and exciting chapter for our community.

I'm incredibly grateful for the time, effort and support from so many people who helped make this possible. A heartfelt thank you goes to our CEO, Mr Berry; our School Improvement Officer, Mrs Clark; Miss Lockyear's mum; my husband, Mr Goulding; and even our daughters, Ava and Myla, who rolled up their sleeves and got stuck in too! Of course, our amazing staff played a huge part as well. Thanks to this brilliant team effort, the school has had the facelift it so deserved, and I can already see the impact it's having on our children and the learning environment.



I'm also absolutely delighted to welcome Mrs Pryce-Hall (pictured left), who has joined us this term as our new Year 5/6 teacher. Owls have had a wonderful first

week with her, and I'm so pleased to share that she has joined us as a permanent member of staff. She's made a fantastic start, and I know she's going to be a brilliant addition to the Cavendish team.

As you walk through the school gates or hear from your children, you'll start to notice lots of changes happening – both within the school building and in the way we're delivering lessons. This term really

does feel like a fresh start, and I'm full of excitement for everything that lies ahead.



On the last day of term, our pupils took part in a fantastic Sports Morning hosted by Thomas Gainsborough School in Sudbury (photos above). It was such a positive event – full of energy, enthusiasm, and lots of happy, smiling faces (from staff as well as children!). A huge thank you to TGS for giving our young people such a brilliant experience.



This week, I sent out our Parent Questionnaire. **Your voice really does matter to me**, and the feedback you provide will help shape the

direction I take as we move forward. If you've not yet had a chance, please do take a few moments to complete it by Wednesday 30th April 2025 – I'll be collating responses and keeping you updated on next steps very soon.

If you require a paper copy of the parent questionnaire, please contact the office who will print one for you.

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Looking ahead, I'd love to know if any parents or carers would be happy to volunteer a little time on a Saturday morning during the

summer term to help with general DIY, painting, and keeping our school grounds looking their best. If you're able to help, I can promise you a bacon sandwich and a hot drink as a thank you! Just let the school office know, and I'll be in touch with a date to pop in your diary.

I'm also really excited to let you know that we'll be holding a VE Celebration Afternoon on Thursday 8th May from 2pm. Please pop the date in your diary – I'll share more details with you next week.

Summer term is going to be one of real, positive change, and I want to sincerely thank you all for your continued support as we work together to deliver a broad, balanced, and inspiring curriculum for every child in our care.

Keep an eye out for some upcoming summer trip dates – there's lots to look forward to!

Warm regards,

Mrs Goulding

Email address



We have a new email address for the school office:

Please use cavendish@tilian.org.uk for all school email communications.

Attendance:



Our whole school overall attendance is 94%. We are aiming for 95%.

Art donation



An enormous thank you to a local Artist – Lucy Grossmith, who very kindly donated the print pictured above to the school of our beautiful outlook - Cavendish Green. Lucy said the idea behind the painting was to represent “new energy, new life and joy”, which ties in perfectly with where we are on our improvement journey – with our recent academisation and a new Headteacher. Lucy had family attend Cavendish back in the 1950's and was honoured to have her artwork displayed at the school.

Key dates for your diary:

Please see upcoming events:

8th May – VE celebration

12th - 15th May - KS2 SATs week

19th May – Crucial Crew – Year 6's only

24th May – Dance Festival and PTFA Spring Fete

6th June – Sports Day

13th June – Reserve Sports Day

24th June – Doorstop Theatre Festival