

Prayer of the week – byMatilda C Dear God, We thank you for the people who are looking after us during this virus that is going around at the moment. We pray that we all stay safe and to protect the elderly. Amen

#### **Headteacher Awards**

Headteacher awards this week were given to Reggie - Mars Class; James – Jupiter Class; Maddison – Saturn Class; Oliver - Neptune Class.

#### **Collective Worship Value – Responsibility**

Our Collective Worship this half term is Responsibility. We will be looking at responsibility in a variety of ways, for example, the responsibility to keep ourselves safe, our responsibilities in the wider world and how we can contribute to the needs of others. We will be considering what responsible behaviour looks like and how to use language responsibly to avoid causing offence, harm or upset.

#### **Classsroom Ventilation**

It is essential that children come to school wearing enough clothing to keep warm. Under National and Suffolk County Council directives we are required to keep classroom windows and internal doors open to ensure adequate ventilation. This makes sitting still in classrooms quite cold. Your child may need a vest and t-shirt under their school shirt and a warm jumper. Leggings under pinafores and skirts may be helpful too, as baser layers will be for boys. Children are encouraged to be active in their playtimes and so a warm well- fitting coat would be helpful here too.

#### **Reading Competition**

Congratulations to the winners of our half term reading challenge. Prizes were awarded to -

Mars : Phoenix, Jupiter : Colby, Saturn : Myla, Neptune : Michael

Well done to all children who have taken part. There was a lovely range of designs and it is really positive to see how much children enjoy reading as a leisure activity at home.

#### **Bonfire Night Celebrations**

Quinn, Jupiter Class writes : When we got to Forest School we had some hot chocolate and sat around the bonfire and listened to Miss Wass telling us the story of 'Matilda who told lies'. Then all the other year groups went up to Forest School and had their chocolate and sit by the fire.

Oliver, Neptune Class writes : On Wednesday we had a bonfire in Forest School to celebrate bonfire night! Mrs Lewis and Miss Wass walked us up to Forest School and we all sat down on the edge of the fire circle and talked about nature. Mrs Lewis had hot chocolate for us so she poured it out in the cups and we drank it. Then we went round the fire circle and said our Forest School names.

#### Remembrance

Thank you to all children who have bought Remembrance poppy items to support the Royal British Legion. We will be unable to meet as a school around the War Memorial this year or to invite the local community to join us, but will still be observing the 2 minute silence in an act of Remembrance in the school grounds.

## Children in Need Week - 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> November

This year's theme for Children in Need is 'Five to Thrive'. This focuses on children's mental health and looks at five different ways to support having a healthy mind. Each day we will engage in different activities to support our mental health. These include connecting with friends, understanding our feelings, getting active, trying something new and giving. **Friday 13th November** is our giving day. Children can come to school wearing their favourite outfit. Please bring a small donation of £1 for Children in Need on the day.

#### Maths Activity Week – 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> November

Next week is Maths Week England and we will be celebrating by taking part in maths problems each day. Each class will have the opportunity to apply their number and operation knowledge to various maths problems. You could also participate at home by having a go at some of the maths problems suggested on the Maths Week England website - <u>https://mathsweekengland.co.uk/primary-school-resources/</u>

#### Parentmail +Pay

All parents and carers with children in Years 3-6 who have registered with Parentmail and who pay for school dinners should receive an email in the next day or so which will enable payment by debit card through +Pay. Should you wish to do so, it is still possible to pay for school dinners by cash via the school office, if this is more convenient for you. Further information and help can be found at <a href="https://www.parentmail.co.uk/help/parenthelp/">https://www.parentmail.co.uk/help/parenthelp/</a>

#### School Photographs - 11<sup>th</sup> November

We are pleased to say we have still been able to accommodate individual school photographs this year, as we know how popular these are with families and as gifts for extended family members. However, we have had to put in some adjustments to ensure the process meets our Covid-19 Risk Assessment and so we are unable to offer any family groups or pre-school siblings joining photos, as children must stay within their individual bubbles in school. For your reassurance, the following adjustments will be made on site:

- 1. Children will have their photograph taken in a standing position so that no furniture is touched.
- 2. Children will be photographed individually within their bubble group.
- 3. The photographer will observe social distancing and will clean between bubbles.
- 4. School staff will help children get ready in line with our no touch policy.
- 5. No items will be printed on the day but will be sent the following week. If hard copies, these will be held at school for the appropriate isolation time before sharing with families.



#### **PTFA News**

The PTFA are pleased to be raffling 1 adult and 1 child's hamper as a Christmas Fundraiser. There will also be a runner up prize of a food hamper. To be in with a chance of winning, please could you send an envelope with the exact money and write your name and how much for each raffle you would like to enter (please state either adult or child). There will be no paper tickets this year, but each entry will be allocated a number and we will use a random number generator to pick the winner on Friday 11th December. The closing date for entries will be Friday 4th December. Each entry will be £1.

Photos of the hampers will be put on the notice board shortly. We'd like to thank Willow Tree Farm shop for their donations to the hamper. We thank you for your support with this, as you will understand we currently have very few options available to raise much needed funds for the school.

#### Movie Night - Thursday 12th November

The teachers will be showing a movie for individual class bubbles at 3.15pm until 4.45pm (for KS1 (cert U) and KS2 (cert PG)). Children may be collected from the usual exit points. The PTFA are providing refreshments and would be grateful for a money donation towards costs. This should be brought into school on the day.

Mars Class - We have been doing lots of building with 2d and 3d shapes - Ethan

Jupiter Class – We did lots of work at school, like hard work. I did fireworks with sticky things and paint. I liked it. - Finley

Saturn Class – This week we have started to learn about explanation texts. We have read about Roman roads and how they were built to help the army march from place to place. We also learnt about the three invasions of the Romans on Britain in our topic work.

Neptune Class – This week we had a bonfire day. We learnt all about Guy Fawkes. He tried to blow up the Houses of Parliament. He was tried for treason. – Lewis

#### **Government Advice**

We have been asked to signpost parents to updated information:

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

Dates for your diary follow on the next page.

Dates for your diary:

#### November

- 11<sup>th</sup> School Photographs
- 11<sup>th</sup> School to observe Remembrance
- 12<sup>th</sup> Class bubble film night
- 13<sup>th</sup> Children in Need wear your favourite clothes to school for £1
- 20<sup>th</sup> Diwali activities
- 26<sup>th</sup> Christingle making in school (no Church service bubble based worship in school)
- 30<sup>th</sup> Christmas post box opens

#### December

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Last one to one tuition
- 8<sup>th</sup> Last Forest School Year 6
- 9<sup>th</sup> Flu Immunisation
- 9<sup>th</sup> After school Christmas craft night (in bubbles)
- 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> Sudbury Christmas Tree Festival
- 11<sup>th</sup> Christmas post box closes
- 14<sup>th</sup> Christmas cards sent home
- 14<sup>th</sup> Christmas treasure hunt (in bubbles)
- 15<sup>th</sup> Christmas Lunch
- 15<sup>th</sup> Christmas class parties
- 17<sup>th</sup> Key Stage/Class bubble Christmas worship
- 17<sup>th</sup> Last day of term. Fish and chip lunch.
  - School closes at 2.00pm



# **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

Monday 12 April
Tuesday 13 April
Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June
Tuesday 20 July