



Cavendish Close Infant and Nursery School
Newsletter 25

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Dear Parents and Carers

We have finally reached the last week of the summer term and the summer holiday has almost arrived. It has undeniably been a term unlike any other. Every summer break is necessary and well deserved, but this year that is especially the case. This year has been a rollercoaster! There have been so many changes, and no one could have predicted any of them.

Our work is not yet finished and there is still plenty to do ahead of September. However, we now need chance to rest, relax and recuperate properly. I am not the only member of staff who has not had a break since February half term. I am certainly looking forward to a break from reading and responding to the stream of endless government guidance and updates. With 6 staff groups and over 50 employees, we have worked incredibly hard to stay connected and share important information. The pressure has been immeasurable as we have reinvented school with a focus on good communication. 166 of our parents and carers responded to our recent parental survey with 98% agreeing that we have consistently communicated well. Thank you for your overwhelmingly positive feedback.

I keep reflecting on what we, as a school team, have achieved since March and I feel immensely proud of the way that our staff have responded to what has been, and continues to be, the most significant national crisis any of us have ever experienced. Despite the pandemic, our staff have been resilient and inspirational, always doing what is right for our children and putting them first.

Over the last five months, we have stepped up to ensure that our vulnerable children have been safe and cared for, we have remained open for the children of key-workers and we have ensured that children at home have been able to access everything, from remote education to a regular meal.

The scale of the task has been enormous, the effort that has gone into succeeding has been even greater.

Thank you to our incredible team of teachers who have worked tirelessly with enthusiasm and positivity to meet the needs of the children in their class. Thank you to our fantastic team of Teaching Assistants who continue to bring energy, creativity, and humour to school every day. Thank you to our Midday Supervisors who continue to support a completely new approach to safe dinner times. Thank you to our brilliant office staff for amazing teamwork and for being so proactive and responsive. Thank you to our kitchen team who have worked together to reopen our kitchen successfully, overcoming challenges and finding safe solutions. Thank you to our Site Manager and our committed cleaning team for maintaining high standards of cleaning every day. Thank you to our Governors who continue to give their time on a voluntary basis and offer helpful support and challenge. Teamwork divides the task and multiplies the success. We are so fortunate to have such a great team at school.

For now, I want to wish you and your families a heartfelt happy, peaceful, enjoyable, and restful summer holiday. I would like to thank you for your positivity, understanding, and support. After 20 years, I continue to be proud to be a part of our school community. I am very much looking forward to seeing our children return to school in September – It's been a long time since we were last altogether!

Goodbye and good luck to our Year 2 children and families. You will be missed.

Hello and welcome to our new children and families. We are looking forward to meeting you.

Parents and carers must familiarise themselves with our September plan and expectations.

<https://www.cavclosei.derby.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/September.pdf>

Kind Regards

Mrs Diffin

Acting Headteacher



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We are so proud of all of you!

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Thank you so much for all the amazing work we have been sent this week. Please keep sending us all your lovely photographs and pieces of work!



Amazing work from Oliver in Nursery, who has designed his house for the whole school art project! Lovely use of colours Oliver, keep up the hard work!



Fantastic work from Poppy in Class 1, who has created her very own tape measure! Well done Poppy for using your super Maths skills to write the numbers 0 – 50, keep it up!



Fantastic work from Lois in Class 2, who has created a fantastic fish! Reception have been reading lots of stories about 'Under the Sea' and we love Lois's design. Keep up the hard work!



Well done to Isabel in Class 3, who has designed and created an amazing mermaid out of playdough! The detail is fantastic, keep up the hard work Isabel!



HOME LEARNING



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Lewis in class 4 has been creating his own book of The Lion Inside.



Joshua in class 5 has been diving into some maths work on Education City.



Lucas in class 6 has done some brilliant work on coins. Well done.



Katie in Class 7 has found out some brilliant facts about baby bears this week.



Laura in class 8 has written a super fact file about Polar Bears.



Imogen in class 9 has written a fantastic teddy bears picnic invitation.



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