



Cavendish Close Infant and Nursery School  
**Newsletter 19**

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021

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**Dear Parents and Carers**

We have all achieved so much since school fully opened in March following the partial school closure in the Spring term.

It has been a pleasure to read children's reports. All the children in school have made incredible progress with their learning and personal development. Well done everyone!

As I write to you today, Coronavirus case numbers are increasing rapidly nationally and locally. This is extremely concerning as we approach the end of term. We must continue to prioritise the safety of our whole school community.

We are aware that some schools in Derby are facing significant outbreaks, and this can be linked to the increased transmissibility of new variants. Please be vigilant.

This week, the Junior Academy have needed to close three class bubbles due to positive cases in our school community.

We all know the three main Coronavirus symptoms, however, we have received reports that children experiencing hay fever like and mild cold symptoms have tested positive for Coronavirus. With this in mind, please be alert to any changes to your children's health and proceed with caution. Testing is readily available and we would encourage you to access a test if your child develops new symptoms.

In school, we are continuing to follow our rigorous Risk Assessment. We adhere to all our control measures strictly with good ventilation and regular cleaning. Class bubbles are kept apart, and staff limit their movement around school.

**PLEASE PLAY YOUR PART TOO.** Thank you so very much to the parents and carers who have followed our COVID safe expectations all year. We are incredibly grateful for your cooperation, understanding and respectful behaviour. Thank you for prioritising the safety of all our families and our staff as well.

**Please wear a face mask for the short time that you are on site.** We understand that a small number of parents and carers are exempt and wear an exemption lanyard.

**Only one adult should bring your child to school.**

**Respect social distancing and minimise your time on site.**

Please respect these safety measures for the final weeks of the school year. We all want a safe summer.

Kind regards, *Mrs C Diffin* Headteacher

## Our School Ethos (Part 3)

At our school...

We motivate our children to learn by...

- ✓ Planning learning topics that are relevant and exciting with meaningful reasons to read, write and be numerate across the curriculum.
- ✓ Bringing subjects to life, enjoy being Historians, Artists etc.
- ✓ Connecting learning to our children's lives and interests.
- ✓ Finding the story in learning (People, Places, Problems and Possibilities).
- ✓ Ensuring that learning has:
  - a HOOK (a wow starter)
  - a PURPOSE (a challenge)
  - and an AUDIENCE
- ✓ Valuing the process of learning as well as the outcome.
- ✓ Giving our children the time and space to learn in greater depth.
- ✓ Enabling our children to make choices in their learning.
- ✓ Helping our children to work independently and collaboratively using their communication and social skills.
- ✓ Creating enabling environments with relevant and interesting resources

### Summer Term 2 2021 – Monday 7.6 to Thursday 22.7

Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> July Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Reception 2021.22 Transition Visit – Invitation only 15:40 <b>INSET day 5</b> – Staff training
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>End of year reports will be sent home</b> (Please note revised date) Nursery 2021.22 Transition Visit – Invitation only 15:30
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July to Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> July Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>End of year parent/carer telephone consultation meetings to discuss reports</b> <b>Bedtime Reading Day</b> – Please send in any sponsor money – Thank you
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception 2021.22 Transition Visit – Invitation only 15:40 – 16:40 Nursery 2021.22 Transition Visit – Invitation only 15:30 – 16:15 Reception 2021.22 Transition Visit – Invitation only 15:40 – 16:40
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery 2021.22 Transition Visit – Invitation only 15:30 – 16:15
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1 and Year 2 2021.22 Transition Visit during the school day (1 hour, 45 minutes)
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1 and Year 2 2021.22 Transition Visit during the school day (1 hour, 45 minutes)
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery 2021.22 Transition Visit – Invitation only 15:30 – 16:15
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 Class 7 Afternoon Graduation event with parents/carers 13:45 – 14:30. Class 7 can go home at 14:30
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Year 1 Summer Carnival Day</b> Year 2 Class 8 Afternoon Graduation event with parents/carers 13:45 – 14:30. Class 8 can go home at 14:30
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	<b>Nursery and Reception Summer Carnival Day</b> Year 2 Class 9 Afternoon Graduation event with parents/carers 13:45 – 14:30. Class 9 can go home at 14:30
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	<b>Year 2 Summer Carnival Day</b> Summer Olympics opening ceremony at school School breaks up for the summer holiday

**All these transition visits and end of year events are subject to change in line with our COVID safe Risk Assessment.**

<b>New Nursery and Reception children to visit school</b>	On these days, you may see some of our new families arriving at school as you leave.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Invitation only. Small group sizes.</b></li> <li>• <b>Only one parent/carer allowed to attend. Face masks must be worn. Social distancing will be expected. No siblings are able to enter school.</b></li> </ul>	

<b>Children moving into Year 1 and Year 2 will visit their new teachers and classrooms</b>	Parents and carers will find out which class their child is in on Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> July.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Our transition plans are under review. Visits may need to be shorter or opportunities may need to be outside.</b></li> <li>• <b>Our three Reception classes will not be mixed. The children will stay in the same class bubble groups. The three Year 1 classrooms are on the first floor.</b></li> <li>• <b>Our three Year 1 classes will be mixed to create three new mixed ability classes for Year 2. The three Year 2 classrooms are on the first floor. The classes have been mixed by our Year 1 teachers who have carefully considered friendships and learning needs. Please have trust in their judgements. Your children's best interests have been central to the decision making.</b></li> </ul>	

<b>Year 2 Afternoon Graduation Events</b>	We are planning a separate outdoor 45-minute event for each Year 2 class. Parents/carers only will be admitted (maximum 2), no extended family members or friends. Face masks and social distancing will be expected.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The decision whether it is safe or not to invite parents and carers will be made nearer the time.</b></li> <li>• <b>Each class will have their own separate bubble Graduation 'special occasion'.</b></li> </ul>	

<b>Summer Carnival Days</b>	We are planning a summer carnival day for each year group during the school day. This is instead of educational visits. We will ask parents and carers to make a contribution towards the fun activities. Further information to follow.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Each class will have their own separate bubble 'Summer Carnival'.</b></li> <li>• <b>Mrs Carter and the kitchen team will provide a picnic lunch for the children.</b></li> <li>• <b>Children can come to school dressed in 'Sun Safe Super Star' summer clothes. Sun hats and trainers would be a good idea. Sandals and slip-on shoes will not be appropriate for outdoor games. A raincoat with a hood would also be a good idea!</b></li> </ul>	

<b><u>Cavendish Close Junior Academy</u></b>	
Year 2 to 3 planned transition sessions are as follows:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June (morning): Year 2 classes visit the Juniors for playtime on the Junior playground. <b>Due to positive cases and bubble closures at the Junior Academy this week, this opportunity has been cancelled.</b></li> <li>• <b>A decision has been made that our Year 2 children will not be able to enter the Junior Academy building. We are hoping to be able to offer some outdoor visits, however, we must first monitor the impact of this week's positive cases.</b></li> <li>• Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July (morning): Additional transition visit for specific pupils. <b>Under review.</b></li> <li>• Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July: Transition morning. After registration, Year 2 classes will be taken to the Juniors to spend the morning with their new teachers in their new classrooms. They will return to Infants for dinner. <b>Under review. We are hoping a shorter outdoor visit may be possible.</b></li> <li>• Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July (afternoon): <b><u>Miss Winfield</u></b> to share a story with 'Bond' class (at the Infants). <b>Under review. We are hoping that this opportunity can take place outside. If not, it can happen virtually.</b></li> <li>• Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July (afternoon): <b><u>Mr Belton</u></b> to share a story with 'Duffy' class and <b><u>Miss Lambert</u></b> to share a story with 'Simon' class (both at the Infants). The Junior classes are named after authors. <b>Under review. We are hoping that this opportunity can take place outside. If not, it can happen virtually.</b></li> </ul>	

- **Our three Year 2 classes will be mixed to create three new mixed ability classes for Year 3. The classes have been mixed by our Year 2 teachers who have carefully considered friendships and learning needs. Please have trust in their judgements. Your children's best interests have been central to the decision making.**

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**Autumn Term 1 2021** – The new school year begins on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021**

Year 1 and Year 2 children will return to school on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021.

Nursery and Reception children will receive individual start dates. Start dates will be staggered to allow children to settle calmly and happily.

**INSET days 2021/22**, as agreed with Cavendish Close Junior Academy:

1 - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021, 2 - Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2021, 3 - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022,  
4 - Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022, 5 - Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022



### **Contacting School**

Telephone and email contact continues to be the safest way for parents and carers to communicate with school staff. Messages can be passed on at drop off and pick up time.

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#### **Senior Leadership Team**

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(Mrs Diffin - Headteacher, Mrs Howett - Deputy Headteacher and Early Years Foundation Stage Leader, Mrs Asghar - Assistant Headteacher and Key Stage 1 Leader)

#### **School Office Team**

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(Mrs Kelly, Mrs Manners and Mrs Horsman)

#### **Safeguarding Team**

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(Mrs Roberts)

**If parents or carers need to enter school to speak to our office team, they must be wearing a face mask.**

The office team will let you know how you can safely purchase new school uniform as you prepare for the new school year.

**Children who are self-isolating should not leave the home. No-one who is required to self-isolate should come on our site. This is not safe. Please ring us if you are struggling to bring a sibling to school because you need to stay at home due to self-isolation rules. Safety must be prioritised.**

# Dear Cavendish Close Children,



In your class bubble, your adults can take off their face masks. Around school, all adults wear face masks. Your grown-ups should be wearing a face mask when they drop you off and pick you up, if they can. Face masks help to keep everyone safe.

If you feel poorly, you shouldn't come to school. If you have a cough or a temperature, you will need to have a special test. Be brave and you will get better soon.



Only one grown-up can come to school to drop you off and pick you up. Thank you for making safe, happy, and healthy choices. We all want a calm end to the school year. Take care

Best wishes from Mrs Diffin x





## **Maintaining Coronavirus Safety Measures**

Please continue to support our COVID Safe Site Expectations:

- **Only one adult should drop off/pick up** – We must minimise the number of people on site.
- Follow the one-way system on site – Keep left and keep moving.
- **Wear a face mask on site** - This is in addition to social distancing.
- **Stay 2 metres away from other parents and carers** – Respect social distancing rules.
- **Minimise your time on site** – Don't come on site unnecessarily early or stay on site after collecting your children – Leave the site as soon as possible – Move on please.

### **Testing**

Twice weekly home **Lateral Flow (LF) Tests** are freely available and **strongly encouraged**. This is such a helpful safety measure. If you are not currently engaging with this opportunity, please consider getting your household involved for the safety of your family and our school community. **Around one in three people with Coronavirus have no symptoms, and so finding and isolating these hidden cases quickly will help to stop outbreaks before they get a chance to develop.** All members of staff test themselves twice a week before work. We have also got the adults in our households testing twice a week as well. Please do all you can to keep everyone safe.

**Lateral flow testing is not recommended for children under the age of 11 (Secondary aged children).**

**Lateral flow testing is not for young people or adults who have Coronavirus symptoms.** If someone in your household develops Coronavirus symptoms, then they must book a **Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Test** at a testing site immediately. The whole household must self-isolate immediately.

If a member of staff tests positive using a LF test, then they need to isolate their household and book a confirmation PCR test at a testing site immediately. Close contacts in school will be identified and this could involve closing a class bubble early in the morning and asking staff and children to self-isolate as they will have been in close contact with someone who could have Coronavirus. If the PCR test result is positive, then a 10-day period of self-isolation will be confirmed. If the PCR test result is negative, then close contacts will be told that they no longer need to self-isolate.

Your child could be asked to self-isolate at short notice, in line with government guidance. Please prepare for this eventuality. We are grateful when parents and carers are calm, polite, and understanding. These rules are to keep us all safe. We will continue to communicate by phone and text message.

We must all continue to be alert to the main Coronavirus symptoms:

1. A high temperature
2. A new and continuous cough
3. A loss of smell or taste

If anyone in your household develops a Coronavirus symptom, the household **must** isolate, and a PCR test **must** be booked immediately. **Please communicate household symptoms and test results with us as soon as possible.** Stay safe and follow the rules. Please do all that you can to keep our school community safe. We will respond quickly to positive test results, and you may need to collect your children from school to begin a period of isolation. Self-isolation is one of the most important things we can do to help stop the spread of the virus and help protect our friends, family, and our community.

If your child is well but absent from school for a Coronavirus related reason, then they should switch to home learning.