



Cavendish Close Infant and Nursery School
Newsletter 24

Monday 10th July 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you are all well as we approach the end of another school year. Please work with us positively so that we can provide all children with a calm and happy finish to the summer term. All children should attend school every day up to and including Friday 21st July.

Last week's transition visits were all incredibly successful, thanks to the hard work and dedication of our class teams. Thank you to parents and carers too for talking positively about 'change' at home and for attending our open evening. I have been particularly proud of our Year 2 children for going over to the Junior Academy, showing confidence, enthusiasm and resilience. The Reception and Year 1 children enjoyed three visits with their new class teams – all were calm, happy and productive. We have provided bespoke packages of support for children with additional needs with ongoing support until the end of term. The Nursery and Reception teams have been busy after school meeting children and their families during a series of planned transition visits. If you have any queries about next year, please approach class teachers or myself. We will do all we can to ensure a smooth transition into the new school year.

This week, we have planned five sports day events. Today it's Year 2 and tomorrow it's Year 1, both at 1:45pm. On Wednesday, it's Mrs Bonner's Ivy group and Acorn group at 9:10am, and then Mrs Bee's Ivy group and Holly group at 2:00pm. On Thursday, it's Reception at 1:45pm. Unfortunately, rain is forecast and may interrupt our plans this week. We really want all five events to go ahead this week and we may need to be flexible with times in between showers of rain. We will text parents/carers if events need to be postponed due to the rain. We will also text new plans, if necessary, so please check your phones on event days. If you have the Teachers 2 Parents app, you will need to check in the app as you may not get a notification. If you delete the app or don't have the app, you will receive a direct text message. Fingers crossed our plans won't be too interrupted. We would appreciate a positive response and understanding if plans do need to be changed at short notice.

I would also like to directly address who can attend this week's events. We have said that 'up to two' visiting family members can attend events so that we can manage overall numbers comfortably. We have said that if you can make alternative arrangements for younger siblings, we would be grateful. Some families can easily make alternative arrangements with extended family members or friends close by. We fully appreciate that not all families have support networks locally and this is why we say please make alternative arrangements 'where possible' and 'if you can'. If you can't, then you are still welcome. All we ask is that if the event is in the hall and your little one needs to move to use their voice, then you politely move outside. The young performers at the front can then continue to be the focus of attention.

We are continuing to ask that visiting parents and carers leave their phones (and any other digital devices) in their pockets or bags, switched off or on silent. Enjoy the live action in front of you instead. Please do not take photographs or videos at school events. Work with us to keep all the children at our school safe. The children much prefer seeing happy faces than a sea of screens. Take a break from the digital world and enjoy the events with us.

If you have any queries or feedback, please get in touch so that we can work together to make our school the best that it can be for our community. If you have a concern, we will deal with it thoroughly and work in partnership with you to secure a positive outcome. Thank you for your continued positivity, support and understanding – it is very much appreciated. Take care.

Kind regards, Mrs C Diffin Headteacher

Summer Term 2 2023

Monday 5th June to Friday 21st July

Monday 10 th July	Year 2 sports afternoon at 1:45pm	Parents and carers can come and join us on the football pitch for sports day fun – Refer to information from Miss Marley
Tuesday 11 th July	Year 1 sports afternoon at 1:45pm	
Wednesday 12 th July	Nursery sports day Mrs Mosley's (Acorn) and Mrs Bonner's (Ivy) groups at 9:10am Mrs Orme's (Holly) and Mrs Bee's (Ivy) groups at 2:00pm	
Thursday 13 th July	Reception sports afternoon at 1:45pm	
Friday 14 th July	Year 2 graduation event day – Refer to information from Mrs Asghar Miss Harker's Class 9 at 9:30am Mrs Asghar's Class 4 at 10:45am Miss Luke's Class 7 at 2:00pm	
Monday 17 th July	Rock Steady club concert for club parents and carers at 2:00pm – Refer to information from Miss Doxey	
Tuesday 18 th July	Reward for children who have achieved 100% attendance this year. Information to follow from Mrs Asghar.	
Wednesday 19 th July	St Mary's Church group visit school for an end of year assembly	
	Nature sponsored challenge deadline – Please return nature pictures and sponsor money. There will be a prize winner in every nursery group and in every class in school. Thank you for your support.	
Friday 21st July	Children break up for the Summer holiday	

Reception (September 2023)	Visit Group 1 Final Visit	Monday 10 th July	3:10pm to 4:10pm
Reception (September 2023)	Visit Group 2 Final Visit	Thursday 13 th July	3:10pm to 4:10pm

2023.24 Academic Year

Please ensure that your children are ready to start school at the beginning of September 2023

Please note the term dates for the next academic year, including the dates of our five INSET days.

Please plan any holidays during the school holidays and not during term time.

Autumn Term 1 2023

Monday 4th September to Friday 27th October

Monday 4th September

INSET day 1: School is closed to children for staff training

Tuesday 5th September

Year 1 and Year 2 children return to school, doors will open at 8:40am

Children starting in Nursery and Reception will be given individual staggered start dates

Friday 27th October

Children break up for the half term holiday

Autumn Term 2 2023

Monday 6th November to Friday 22nd December

Friday 17th November

INSET day 2: School is closed to children for staff training

Friday 22nd December

Children break up for the Christmas holiday

Spring Term 1 2024

Monday 8th January to Friday 16th February

Thursday 15th February

Children break up for the half term holiday

Friday 16th February

INSET day 3: School is closed to children for staff training

Spring Term 2 2024

Monday 26th February to Thursday 28th March

Thursday 28th March

Children break up for the Easter holiday

Summer Term 1 2024

Monday 15th April to Friday 24th May

Friday 24th May

Children break up for the half term holiday

Summer Term 2 2024

Monday 3rd June to Tuesday 23rd July

Monday 17th June

INSET day 4: School is closed to children for staff training

Monday 1st July

INSET day 5: School is closed to children for staff training

Tuesday 23rd July

Children break up for the Summer holiday