



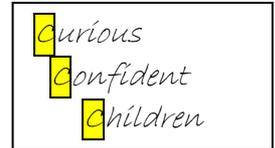
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Dear Parent and Carers

Welcome to our first newsletter of the year, we will be producing these each term in order to give you regular updates on what has been happening in school as well as keeping you up-to-date with upcoming events.

There have been lots of things happening in school leading up to Christmas with our Nativities, church service, carol singing and Christmas dinner it has been lovely to see the children getting so excited about Christmas. I would also like to thank all of the staff for their hard work during this time of year to make the school an exciting and festive place to be!

This half term our Year 4 children have been on their school trip to visit the Black Country Museum, which they have thoroughly enjoyed, learning lots about the Victorians and getting plenty of hands on experience of what life would have been like in those times.

We have also had some great sporting successes with our athletics team getting silver in the Derby City Gymnastics competition and our Football team going through to the 'Finals night' after qualifying in second place in their league. A huge well done to all the children who have represented Cavendish Close Junior School, they have competed well but also shown politeness, good manners and a sense of sportsmanship which is a credit to themselves and the school. Also a thank you needs to go out to Mr Bowen and Mr Samuels for all their hard work in arranging these opportunities and for their willingness to put in the extra hours that makes these things possible!

A big congratulation goes to Mrs Beresford on the birth of her daughter, both are doing well and are safely home enjoying their time together.

If you need to contact anyone from school during the holidays due to emergencies or other reason, please contact myself via my email address, which is at the bottom of this piece and I will try and respond as soon as I can.

Finally, there have been many changes taking place at Cavendish Close Juniors already, not least of all with the introduction of Mrs Allison (Executive Head) and myself, we have been working hard with the staff to address a lot of the issues raised in the recent OFSTED report and will continue to do so to ensure that the children at Cavendish Close get a good all round education and the school moves forward, as part of that we have high expectations of behaviour and encourage the children to be polite, well-mannered and respectful to each other and to adults both at school and on the way home. We would ask for your support in ensuring that your child upholds these values and that they are encouraged at all times to ensure we have happy, well-rounded pupils that we can all be proud of.

Lee Archer
Headteacher

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Fundraising

During the autumn term we raised over £900 for different charities.

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Thank you all very much for helping with the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Enough poppies, wristbands and keyrings were bought to raise £301.19 and all money will go towards the British Legion's welfare and benevolent work.



Children In Need

Thank you all very much for helping with Children In Need. Lots of children bought wristbands and the key rings and we managed to raise £412.80 which will go to helping disadvantaged children and young people across the UK.



SAVE THE CHILDREN – Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you to all the children who wore their Christmas Jumper to help raise money for the Save the Children Charity. With your donations, we were able to raise £200. This money will help to bring health care, education, protection and food to millions of children around the world who are missing out on the most basic support.



We would like to thank all of you for your kind generosity and your continued support.

WINTER DISCO



The Winter Disco was a complete sell out. Our fantastic DJ, Mr Bowen, got the party started and the children enjoyed some games which involved boxes of chocolates being won. We had Best Dancer competitions and with all the fabulous dancers, it was very hard for the staff to pick them.

The children were able to purchase some glow sticks, glow necklaces, along with sweets, drinks and crisps for the evening.

It was a very successful evening and all children had a fun evening. Even the staff joined in with the dances and had lots of fun too!

The disco raised a total of £489.00 which will be used towards new outdoor play equipment for the children.

ST MARY'S CHURCH - CHADDESEN

There will be a Messy Church

On Saturday 11th February 2017

At 11:00am – 1:00pm

At St Mary's Church

Off Chaddesden Lane

There will be crafts, service, bible story and food.

SPEAK OUT STAY SAFE

On February 2nd we had a Safeguarding Assembly delivered by the NSPCC called Speak Out Stay Safe. The NSPCC are working with all schools across the country to reach as many children as possible and keep them safe and give them the confidence to speak out and stay safe. Year 3 and 4 will receive a half hour lesson and Year 5 and 6 will receive an hour lesson.

In addition to this, the NSPCC and O2 are running a workshop for parents about online safety on 6th April 2017 from 11:00am – 12:00pm. More details about this will be sent out via letters.



SCHOOL LUNCH HALL

This term we saw the launch of our newly decorated school lunch hall. We have purchased some table clothes, cutlery, plates and dishes to give it a more enjoyable experience at lunch times.

It has been received well from all of our children and we have had some fantastic feedback from the children.

Here's just a few of the photos and quotes from the children.



5 Star



Feels really nice



It feels like a restaurant

Feels lovely



I love it

Uniform

Can I remind all parents and carers that the details of our school uniform can be found on the school website at <http://cavclosej.derby.sch.uk/uniform>. There do seem to be a number of children at the moment who are not wearing the correct shoes – the prospectus states that shoes should be:

Black shoes – practical/hardwearing with a low heel that can be cleaned

This relates to both boys and girls, and does not include boots, whether hard leather or soft ‘Ugg’ type, nor does it include trainers. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Please ensure that your child has a winter coat which must be worn at break and lunch times.



Jewellery & Earrings

No jewellery may be worn in school. However, children with pierced ears may wear a single set of small metal studs, but these must be removed for all PE sessions due to Health and Safety Regulations.

We advise that if you have your child’s ears pierced, it is done at the start of the six-week summer break, giving the holes a chance to heal so that studs can be easily removed by the child. **School staff are not allowed to remove or replace studs.**

Your child will not be able to participate in PE lessons if they cannot remove their earrings.

School Meals

Please ensure you send your child’s dinner money on Mondays or on the day your child has an occasional school meal. Can you please ensure it is an envelope with your child’s name on the envelope, class and the amount of money enclosed. School meals are £2.20 per day or £11.00 per week.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 2nd February – NSPCC Safeguarding Assembly

Friday 3rd February – Year 4 visit to The Black Country Museum

Friday 10th February – School Closed (Inset Day) Half Term

Monday 20th February – School Re-open

Monday 6th March – Year 5 Residential Trip to Whitemoor Lakes

Friday 7th April – Break up for Easter

Monday 24th April – School open

Monday 8th May – SATS week

Monday 15th May - Year 6 Residential Trip to Scarborough

Friday 26th May – Break up for Half Term

Monday 5th June – School Re-open

Friday 30th June – School Closed (Inset Day)

Wednesday 26th July – Break up for summer

A full list of term dates is available on the school website.

