

Cavendish News

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FREE TASTERS – SAMBA, YOGA

We are offering **free** taster sessions for the last 3 weeks of term at morning yoga on Mondays (Y3, 4, 5), and samba drumming after school on Fridays (Y4, 5, 6). If your child would like to take advantage of these, please contact the school office. First come, first served!

COMING UP AT CAVENDISH

It's another busy week in school next week. We have RSPB workshops, there's a Y4/5 football tournament, Y5/6 netballers are also in action, our Reception classes are visiting Z-Arts, and it's Sports Relief on Friday. Children will be completing the Sports Relief mile, and we have asked them to ask family members to sponsor their efforts. There will be lots of other sporting activity going on during the day including a whole school Zumba-thon, and there's also the Cavendish staff Bake Off. All the cakes entered will be sold off at the end of the day next Friday. **Please note, Reception will be marking Sports Relief on Thursday due to their trip.**

SAINSBURY'S VOUCHER SCHEME

The Sainsbury's voucher scheme has started again and this year the children have asked for more lunchtime equipment, particularly more basketball hoops. These are expensive, so the more vouchers the better please! There's a collection box in the reception vestibule just outside the office. We make good use of the scheme, so please don't let the vouchers languish in your purse or wallet – send them in!

PARKING ISSUE

Mr. King spotted this car parked outside school. We don't know whose it is, but it was blocking our vehicle entrance. Please don't leave your car there – you never know when the gates might have to be opened to allow access to emergency vehicles. Please pass the message on – we don't know if it belongs to a parent or carer, a local resident, or a visitor to the area.



FREE TICKETS FOR CYCLING EVENT

Manchester Active Schools Programme is working with British Cycling to offer Cavendish students the chance to experience a major event in Manchester. We have been given 20 free tickets to go and watch the BMX Supercross World Cup at Manchester Cycling Centre. There will be some activities for the pupils, the chance to meet and greet a Supercross Athlete, and a chance to ride a BMX bike. The date for this event is **Friday 8th April (1pm-4pm)** which falls during the Easter school holidays.

If you would like to request tickets, please email r.king@cavendish.manchester.sch.uk and they will be distributed on a first come, first served basis.

SPORTS CLUBS NEWS FROM MR. KING

There is still space in our basketball lunch club, run on Mondays by Manchester Magic. This is a fantastic opportunity to get some high quality coaching from Ellis Cooper, who was voted the national league's MVP last year. It's pretty impressive to say you're getting coaching from the best basketball player in the UK! It costs £2 per week and you can contact Ryan Lohfink to book a place: ryanlohfink@hotmail.com or 0161 881 0090 / 07531 937 437.

Following the success of our weekly Y2 tennis lessons at the Albert Club, we're delighted to announce that we are expanding the Tuesday after school club, and it is now open to all Year 2 children who wish to attend. This is a great opportunity to get even more top level coaching which is fun, inclusive and focuses on fundamental movement skills as well as tennis specific ones.

The cost is £4.00 per week; please contact Dave Chadwick to arrange a place and to make payments: david.chadwick@zen.co.uk or call him on 07774 626 189.

If you've already spoken to David about this, he apologises but his new computer seems to have eaten all contact details so please contact him again!

All of our school clubs are under review at the moment and we'd be very grateful for any feedback you have, good or bad, to help us improve them further. A few issues have come to light recently, due to the popularity, and therefore size, of a couple of clubs and we are in discussion with the clubs to sort these out. We strive to make sure that we offer a wide range of activities for children to take part in, but your suggestions will help us to develop that offer. Email your thoughts to us at office@cavendish.manchester.sch.uk and mark the email for the attention of Mr. King.

HOLIDAY REMINDER

School will be **CLOSED** on Good Friday and Easter Monday (Mar 25/28).

School is **OPEN** on March 29, 30, 31 and on April 1.

We are then **CLOSED** for 2 weeks, April 4 to April 15 inclusive, and re-open on Monday April 18.

School will also be closed on Thursday June 23. This is referendum day, and due to its importance and expected turnout we have been advised to close to all children.

DEBATE MATE COMPETITION

This week, our children took part in the second round of the Debate Mate competition. They won 2 and lost 2, and we are now waiting to hear whether they have got through to the finals which will take place in London at the Palace of Westminster. We are very proud of their efforts, and it has been especially pleasing to see the children's confidence levels increase as the weeks have gone by. Being able to speak articulately and make reasoned arguments are skills that they will need for the rest of their lives, and we think the project has given them a great start.



Preparing the debate...