

Cavendish News

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FALLOWFIELD AND WITHINGTON FOODBANK APPEAL

Autumn is traditionally harvest time, when churches across the land would gather in produce from the fields and distribute it to people in need. We want to remember this tradition over the next 2 weeks beginning Oct 9 and Oct 16. We'd like to collect donations for the Fallowfield and Withington Foodbank, which helps people in need in our local community. We have asked what they most need, and they have told the following: UHT long life milk, UHT long life fruit juice, tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit, and tinned custard.

- We are going to ask the children to bring in milk and fruit juice (but they MUST be long life, as fresh will go off quickly) next week, week beginning **Mon Oct 9**.
- We will ask them to bring in tinned rice pudding, fruit and custard in week beginning **Mon Oct 16**.

Please give as generously as you can for this appeal



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OCTOBER 2017**

PARENT/CARER/TEACHER MEETINGS

This term's meetings will take place w.b. Mon 16 October. The dates and times for each year group were sent out in the newsletter dated Fri Sept 8, so you should already be aware of them. We are sending home the appointment letters today – please make sure that your child hands it over to you! The meetings provide a chance for you to talk privately to your child's teacher, find out how they have settled into their new class, see what progress they are making, and discuss how you can best support them at home.

If you have to bring your child with you on the evening, please keep them with you at all times. At the last few parent/carer/teacher evenings, children have been allowed to run around the buildings unsupervised and we have discovered damage to school property as a result. Please bring something for them to get on with quietly whilst they wait with you.

LIBRARY CHALLENGE 2017

Well done to all the children who took part in this year's Library Challenge. We came second out of all the schools in the city and our prize was a visit from children's author and illustrator Lynne Chapman. She took an assembly, did storytime, and ran 2 art workshops and the children absolutely loved her. We would like to thank all parents and carers who took their children to the library throughout the holidays and enabled them to complete the challenge of reading at least 6 books in 6 weeks. Many thanks also to Ms Cooper for her continued enthusiasm for books and reading and her ability to organise Lynne's timetable at very short notice!

You can find out about Lynne's work here:

<https://www.lynnchapman.co.uk/>

We are very grateful to her for crossing the Pennines and visiting us.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

We have noticed that quite a few children are arriving at school very early – sometimes before 8am. Children should not be on site so early unless they are attending a school club.

If they attend Before School Club, please bring your child direct to the annexe. If they attend a morning activity club, please bring them to the main entrance where they will be met by the adult who runs the club. The adults however can't wait for latecomers because that reduces the session time for children who arrived on time.

Our breakfast club opens at 8.15am and serves until 8.40am – Glynis and her team cannot serve food or drink after that time. All parents and carers need to be aware that the playground is unsupervised in the mornings, and if your child is not attending a club they should not arrive at school unaccompanied before 8.40am.



BE PREPARED FOR MANCHESTER WEATHER

We have had some pretty heavy – but short-lived – downpours of rain over the last 2 weeks. Please make sure that your child wears a suitable coat and footwear to school. Don't forget that children in Years 2, 3 and 4 have weekly walks to either Withington Baths or the Albert Club and if they are caught out in the rain en-route they'll get soaked through. It's then miserable for them to sit in damp clothing for the rest of the day. Check that they leave the house with their coat on so that they protected in our lovely Manchester showers!