

Cavendish News

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WELL DONE CAVENDISH

As we mentioned last week, we had teams in 2 Greater Manchester County Finals this week – tennis and athletics. Approximately 200 primary schools across the ten boroughs of the county entered these events. Each borough then sent its best two teams to the county final. We are very proud to have been successful enough in 2 sports to reach these finals and to represent the city of Manchester. Our Year 2 and Year 3 tennis players came 3rd, even though they were playing against children in Years 3 & 4. It bodes well for next year and we'll definitely be in it to win it. Our athletes came 5th, and Mr. King reports that their attitude, effort and sportsmanlike behaviour were, as always, excellent.



MUSIC PERFORMANCES

Our Key Stage 2 children performed for parents and carers this week, playing guitars and ukeleles, and there was also some lovely singing from our 2 choirs which also featured brilliant solos.

Meanwhile, some of our youngest children from the Polka Dots clubs put on a little concert for their parents and carers. Polka Dots runs after school and we have 2 groups which run as follows:

Mrs. Turner – Mondays & Thursdays with Nursery and Reception

Ms. Broughton – Mondays and Thursdays with Years 1 & 2

Booking times and payment details can be found through Parentpay on our website.

We have had a fantastic response to the piano tuition letter that Mr. Davies sent out – looks like we'll be adding piano performances to next year's concerts!

NEXT WEEK AT CAVENDISH

Mon 13 July

2pm – Reception assembly in downstairs hall

Tue 14th July

Reception end of year celebration party – activities happening throughout the day

1.45pm – doors open for Year 6 Leavers' Assembly, including presentation of Brilliant Citizen of the Year awards

Wed 15th July

Nursery trip to Monkey Forest – all day

1.45pm – doors open for Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Thu 16th July

2pm – Year 5 performing in 'The Tale of Mr. Tumble' at the Opera House

2pm to 4.00pm – Year 6 leavers' disco and BBQ; parents and carers welcome from 3.20pm

7pm – Governing Body Curriculum Committee meeting

Fri 17th July

Year 6 leavers' trip to Formby beach – all day

2pm – Year 5 performing in 'The Tale of Mr. Tumble' at the Opera House

KEY STAGE 2 SATS RESULTS 2015

We have received back the SATs results for this year's Year 6 children. Level 4 is the nationally expected level for 10/11 year olds in this year's tests, Level 5 indicates that children are attaining higher than expected standards, and Level 6 indicates that children are attaining a *significantly* higher level of attainment than that expected for their age. We are obviously very proud of the hard work, determination and effort of our children and teachers, which have culminated in these pleasing results.

However, as a headteacher, I am even more proud of the children for becoming amazing young people who will leave us next week ready for high school. Throughout this year, they have shown us that they are caring, helpful, understanding of others' needs, respectful, enthusiastic, co-operative, and willing to go the extra mile for each other and for their teachers. There is absolutely no point in Cavendish churning out marvellous exam results in English and maths *unless* it is allied to developing the children's capacity to make positive contributions in the communities to which they belong, not just now but throughout the rest of their lives. Our school's motto is 'Creating Brilliant Citizens', and we work very hard to live up to it. Year 6 have responded marvellously and have set the bar very high for the children who follow. Of course academic standards are important and we want our pupils to reach their full potential because we believe that a great education gives them choices and the opportunity to achieve their dreams, but their well being and personal development are equally vital in enabling the children to have happy and successful futures.

Detailed information on results will be made available in the DfE performance tables later this year, but the headline figures are as follows:

	L3+	L4+	L5+	L6
Reading	98%	97%	62%	2%
Writing	100%	87%	32%	5%
SPAG	98%	85%	70%	15%
Maths	98%	92%	55%	13%