

Cavendish News

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COMING TO SCHOOL IN THE MORNINGS



As you know, we have been trying out a new routine in the mornings to make our playground safer and less hectic. Lots of you have commented positively on the changes, and we feel like the start to the day is now a lot calmer. However, it will make it better still if your child is in the playground by **8.45am**. They will then be able to join their lines as soon as the bell goes. It will also avoid the problem of 2 way traffic through the side gate of school. We are in the process of getting the gates widened, but unfortunately when a job costs > £2000, we are obliged to get 3 quotes to obtain best value, and this takes time. So if you are running late, you will have to wait at the green wire gate until our class lines have entered the building. The best solution is to be here before the bell goes.

EID MUBARAK

It's Eid al Adha next Thursday, September 24th. This Eid takes place at the end of the annual pilgrimage to Makkah – the Hajj. You can find out more and print off some activities for children by following this link: <http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/eid>
We wish Eid Mubarak to all of our Muslim families, and hope that you have a lovely day celebrating with family and friends. We are sure the children will tell us all about it on Friday!

Balloon News

We are still getting balloons returned to school from our Big Adventure. Lucy and Jamilla in Y4 had theirs sent back from Droitwich; Haleemah in Y1 had hers sent back from Camberley in Surrey (from a secret military base!) and Oliver in Y2 had his returned from Witney in Oxfordshire!



PTA NEWS

The PTA met on Wednesday – thanks to all who attended and it was great to see a few new faces. We hope, as the school year goes on, that lots of you will get involved and volunteer to help run events. The PTA focuses on **FUN!!!** We aim to run as many enjoyable events, for children and parents/carers, as we can. Obviously, each event runs smoothly if we have lots of help on the day. Remember, you don't have to commit to helping at everything, but if you can assist at one or two it will be very much appreciated.

We want to start next Friday 25th Sept, after school, with a cake sale on the playground. We therefore need donations of cake! Please get your recipe books out and bake something yummy for us to sell. Bring your bakes into school on Friday morning and we'll store them and set out the stall ready for 3pm when Nursery come out.

We'll be running a cinema night on Thurs 22nd Oct and a children's disco, the date for which is to be confirmed. The Cavendish bonfire is usually our most popular annual event, but we're waiting for confirmation about the Shawgrove demolition schedule, and that will decide whether or not we can run this year's bonfire. If we can't have a bonfire on Nov 5th, we will just have to plan a Cavendish extravaganza for later in the year, and the bonfire will be back in 2016 bigger and better than ever!

Also set in the diary is the Christmas Fair, which will take place on Friday 4th Dec from 3pm to 5.30pm. As part of the Christmas Fair we will be running a raffle. If any of you have contacts who could provide exciting prizes and are happy to be approached by Dawn and her team, please let us know.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Si Manning for his sterling work over the last 8 years as Treasurer. He took on the role when his daughter Lucy (now in Y7 at PWS) joined Cavendish. Our finances have been in safe hands due to Si's commitment and hard work, and we are very grateful to him for everything he's done for the PTA. Well done Si, we think you deserve a long and happy 'retirement'!

HIGH SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP WORK

Our colleagues from Chorlton High School are visiting twice next week. They will be performing an assembly for children in Years 4 to 6 on Monday afternoon, then on Thursday morning they will be in to deliver music workshops to our Year 6 classes. We always enjoy liaising with our secondary colleagues, and the children get the benefit of working with specialist teachers. We'll be doing lots of partnership work with a range of high schools throughout the year and we'll keep you informed via Cavendish News.

NEXT WEEK AT CAVENDISH

We're holding a reading meeting on Tuesday 22 Sept for the parents/carers of our new Reception classes. The meeting will start at 9.15am and last for around 30-40 minutes. It's repeated at 6pm. Both meetings will be held in the ground floor hall in our main building.

DON'T FORGET – BAKE A CAKE FOR FRIDAY!

