

# Cavendish News

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## SATs MEETING FOR CURRENT YEAR 6 PARENTS AND CARERS

Next **Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**, we will be running an information session about Year 6 national tests. All children in Year 6 will undergo statutory testing (known as SATs) in English and Maths. These tests take place in May.

The SATs information session next week will run at **3.30pm**, and be repeated at **6.00pm** (you need only attend one of the sessions). Please come along so that we can explain to you the format and timetable of this year's tests, and answer any concerns that you have. The meetings will take place in Mrs. Day's Y6 classroom.

## PTA NEWS

Get ready to pit your wits against the Cavendish Quiz on Friday March 11th!

Three thrilling rounds with time in between to tuck into the delicious team sharing platters courtesy of local suppliers Taste of Honey and Pinchjo's, and plenty of fruity punch for those who want to keep a clear head! All this for only £5 per person – a bargain!

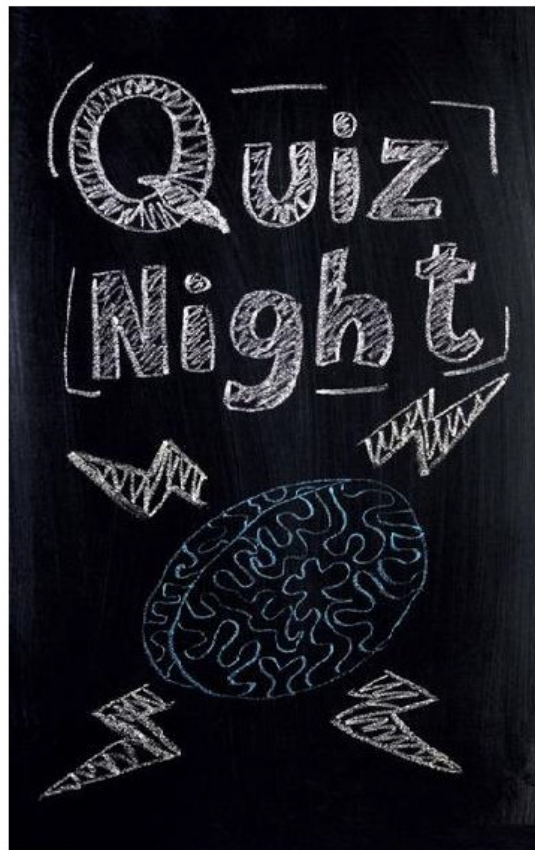
There will also be a licensed bar stocked with wonderful wines from Reserve and craft beer from the Burton Road Brewing Co. Bring a full team (4 to 6), or mix it up and join a team when you arrive.

Doors and Bar open at 19.30  
Quiz from 20.00 to 21.30 – prizes for the winners!

Last orders at 21.30

Quick recap: quiz, food and prizes all for just £5! Quality wine and beer at reasonable prices. Fun fundraising for your PTA – everyone's a winner!

Tickets available NOW on Parent Pay.



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GORGEOUS WINES



A big thank you to our local suppliers

Date for your  
diary...

FRIDAY  
MARCH  
11TH  
7.30-10PM

It's the  
Cavendish  
'adults only'

Quiz Night!

Tickets £5 pp  
includes  
A team sharing  
snack platter &  
prizes for the  
winning team!

Licensed bar  
Teams of 4-6

Tickets available  
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### BUILDINGS NEWS

We donned steel toecap boots, hi-vis jackets, hard hats and safety glasses on Thursday for our first walk around inside our new building.

It's incredibly exciting to see how it's taking shape, and it looks like the project is on schedule for a handover in late June. We took some snaps to share with you. The design will give us 8 bright and spacious classrooms, new staff accommodation, a 'learning street' within which our library will be relocated, and a new kitchen and dining hall.



### HOMEWORK POLICY

Following surveys conducted with children, parents/carers and colleagues at school, we have revised our homework policy and published it in the Policies section of the school website.

<http://www.cavendish.manchester.sch.uk/news/new-homework-policy>

We will be sending home a hard copy with all children next week, so please take time to have a read. It sets out the reasons why we set homework, when homework is set and expected back, and the role we ALL play in the homework process.

### SPECIAL MENTION

Well done to all those children in Years 5 and 6 whose excellent behaviour resulted in some extra treats this week. Many of our Year 6 children went to the theatre this week to see 'Goodnight Mr. Tom', and all of Year 5 were invited to a movie night to watch 'Paddington'. Who knows, if they keep this up, there may be further treats for them later in the year!

### EURO REFERENDUM

**It is likely that school will be CLOSED on June 23<sup>rd</sup> to be used as a polling station. We will confirm this ASAP.**

### NEXT WEEK AT CAVENDISH

Children in Key Stage 2 will be participating in art workshops, and there will be lots of printing going on! We'll photograph some of the work for inclusion in next week's newsletter.

Both of our Year 5 classes will be visiting Longley Lane – Y5HD on Thursday and Y5 MT on Friday.

Also on Friday, our Year 1 classes will be visiting Eureka! in Halifax.

### WORLD BOOK DAY

It's World Book Day on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. You will already have received a letter from our Reading co-ordinator Ms Cooper about this, and we would like to emphasise that the dressing up as a book character is not compulsory! We know that there are lots of theme days in schools these days and it's fine if children don't want to dress up for all of them.

It's much more important to us that at some stage in the day, both at home and at school, they enjoy some good stories, and we would love it if every child could bring in one of their favourite books to share with their class. We want all of our pupils to develop a love of reading, and to find books that inspire them, whether fact or fiction. After all, as Aneurin Bevan once said,

***'Reading is not a duty, and has consequently no business to be made disagreeable.'***

We have the Book Fair in school for 4 days – next Wednesday to Friday, and also on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March. It runs from 3.30 to 4.00pm each day. We hope to see many of you there. A new book is a real treat, and there will be lots of great titles available.