

# Cavendish News

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Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2014

## WELL DONE AND THANK YOU CAVENDISH PTA

What a fantastic bonfire event we had on Wednesday! It was great that so many of you were there, and we were delighted to welcome back many former pupils – it's always good to catch up with their news. It was also lovely to see many children from other local primary schools coming along to join in the excitement. The bonfire doesn't happen by magic though; as ever, it was the result of huge amounts of hard work and wonderful organisation by our PTA. Well done to our new PTA Chair Dawn Lappin – it was some debut!

***Our next PTA meeting is at 7pm next Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> November, in the staffroom on the first floor of our main building. Please come along if you can – we will be planning the Christmas Fair. If you can't attend the meeting but would like to help out at the fair (or any other event), email the PTA at: [enquiries@cavendishpta.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@cavendishpta.org.uk)***



### COMING UP AT CAVENDISH...

Next week is action packed at Cavendish; here's what's going on:

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November – Y5 reading at the West Didsbury remembrance service 10.45am – 11.15am (see below for more info)

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November – Y1 classes visiting Marie Louise gardens; Y5 pupils doing Bikeright

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November – whole school 2 minute silence at 11am; Y5/6 pupils competing in citywide cross country finals at Phillips Park, Y4 taking part in the fun run at the same event; Year 6 pupils going to Buxton Opera House at 6.15pm to see stage version of 'Private Peaceful'; PTA meeting 7pm

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Y5 pupils doing Bikeright; 4 pupils taking part in tennis tournament at Levenshulme High School 3.15pm; governors' curriculum meeting 7pm

#### Y6 RESIDENTIAL WEEKEND

Year 6 pupils set off this morning for their residential activity weekend. They'll be swimming with piranhas, climbing walls, zip wiring, rafting...it's going to be an enjoyable and memorable experience for them all. Many thanks to the staff who are giving up their own time to accompany the children.

We'll soon have the dates for the 2015 trip, and we'll be sending home booking forms with the current Y5 in a couple of weeks. We hope that all Y5 parents/carers will book a place for their child to take part. We can offer some financial support for the residential to families whose children are entitled to pupil premium. This is done in confidence. However, please don't leave it too late to book the place; accommodation at Robinwood is limited and we can't add children on at the last minute because there simply won't be a bed for them.

#### OFSTED 2014

We received the draft report this week and returned it to the lead inspector on Tuesday with our comments. The final report will be with us by Weds Nov 19<sup>th</sup>, and we will send it to you on Fri Nov 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY



This Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> November, there will be a small, community based remembrance event involving children from Cavendish and a Reader from Christ Church, at the memorial on Burton Road. It will focus on those from West Didsbury who lost their lives in WW1.

The event starts at 10.45am and will include the traditional silence at 11am.

It links beautifully with the work our children did at the start of term, and some of them will be reading about the young men whose names are on our beautiful war memorial. I hope we will see you there.

#### CHRISTMAS PLAYS 2014

This year, Christmas plays will be performed by children in Nursery, Reception and Years 1 and 2. The dates are as follows:

Weds Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> – Nursery play at 9.30am, repeated at 2.30pm

Tues Dec 9<sup>th</sup> – Reception play at 2.00pm

Weds Dec 10<sup>th</sup> – Reception play at 10.00am

Mon Dec 15<sup>th</sup> – Y1/Y2 play at 9.30am

Weds Dec 17<sup>th</sup> – Y1/Y2 play at 2.00pm

Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be doing performances later in the school year. This is due to the school's expansion. We now have 580 children at Cavendish and we no longer have enough hall space for each phase of school to be able to rehearse at the same time of year.