



Friday 1st
December 2023

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Diary Dates

- 6th Dec: 4JA class assembly
- 7th & 14th Dec: Y3 Beeston trip
- 8th Dec: Y4 Chester trip
- 14th Dec: Reception trip (Lost & Found)
- Finish for school holidays –
Friday 15th December
- Return to school –
Wednesday 3rd January

A chilly start to December...

It's definitely December here at Cavendish...the Christmas trees are up, the children are singing seasonal songs and the playground is covered in frost!

A special thank you to **Carroll Construction** for donating the tree.



Christmas Calendar

- 22nd Nov: Y5&6 Panto (in school)
- 1st Dec: PTA Christmas Raffle draw
- 2nd Dec: Burton Road Christmas Lights Switch on event – Cavendish school choir performing
- 6th Dec: Nursery Christmas Play
- 8th Dec: PTA Christmas Event
- 12th Dec: Y1 Christmas Singing Performance
- 12th Dec: Reception Christmas Play
- 13th Y2 Christmas Singing Performance
- 13th Dec: Reception Christmas Play
- 15th Dec: Y1, 2, 3 & 4 Panto (in school)
- 15th Christmas Jumper Day



Come along and watch our school choir perform at the Burton Road Christmas event, they will be on at 4pm outside the WEST DIDSBURY CLUB.

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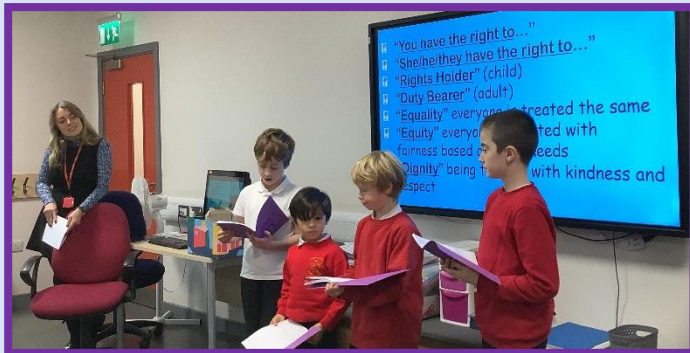




Cavendish Parent Partnership Group

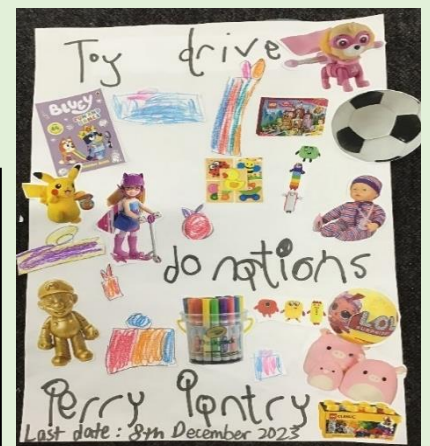


The UNICEF Councillors and the Parent Partnership team got together to develop a parent charter. This session was planned and led by our fantastic councillors. They explained what their role was in school, our class charters, what rights are and the different things we do in school to learn about rights. Then it was over to the parents. We explored which of the rights are important to parents and what responsibilities the adults (duty bearers) had to make these rights happen for children. We then thought about the outcomes for children (rights holders) and what their responsibilities were.



BRILLIANT CITIZENS

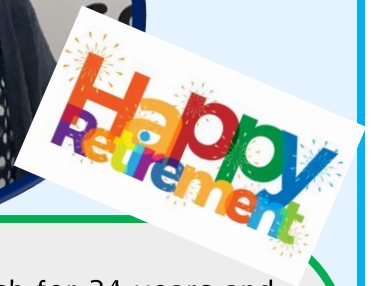
In early years, we are running a toy drive. We have been thinking about helping other people and making others happy especially around Christmas time. We are running a toy drive until the 8th of December for Perry's Pantry- a local food bank. Please leave toy donations with one of the Reception team.





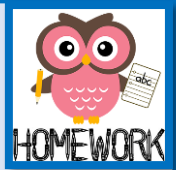
Retirements!

A special assembly was held to celebrate two of our BRILLIANT lunchtime organisers, Linda and Neena. They are both retiring from their roles and we wanted to thank them for their service to the children and the school community. Mrs Taylor presented them with special goodbye gifts and they both said that they will miss the children and fun times they have had on the playground with them. The choir sang for them and they also had some special visitors – previous headteachers Ms Marland and Mr O’Keefe.



Neena has worked at Cavendish for 34 years and Linda has worked at Cavendish for over 36 years! WOW...that’s over 70 years between them!

YOUR FEEDBACK!



Thank you for your feedback on HOMEWORK. We have gathered your responses and created an action plan for going forward. Further information will follow.

Headlines...

66% of you voted felt homework was important for your child’s learning and development. (voting 4 out of 5 or 5 out of 5)

87% of you thought that homework definitely has a positive impact (or some positive impact) on your child’s attitude to learning.

You feel think that reading, spelling and times tables are areas of learning to be given for homework. (75-85% of you voted for these)

To see a summary of the whole questionnaire, please go to our website...

<https://www.cavendish.manchester.sch.uk/page/you-saidwe-did/134472>

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- KINDNESS
- COURAGE





We're pleased to announce the winner of the October Cavendish Calendar competition is **year 3 pupil Annabelle**. If you'd like to enter a photo to be considered for November and December email a high resolution image to enquiries@cavendishpta.org.uk and include the photographers name. For full T&Cs go to <https://www.cavendishpta.org.uk/photography-competition-tcs>



You have until 8pm tonight to enter the Christmas Raffle. We have over 100 prizes to be won, donated by local businesses, and two lucky winners will win 4 tickets to either Liam Gallagher, Peter Kay, Foo Fighters or Take That at their Manchester shows. Purchase your raffle tickets from <https://www.cavendishpta.org.uk/events/raffle-2023>

Cavendish PTA & S.J.M. CONCERTS presents

Christmas Raffle

£1 TICKET

WIN 4X TICKETS TO EITHER

- Liam Gallagher @ Manchester Co-op Live Arena**
- Peter Kay @ Manchester AO Arena**
- Take That @ Manchester Co-op Live Arena**
- Foo Fighters @ Old Trafford Cricket Ground**

PLUS LOTS MORE AMAZING PRIZES TO BE WON!

For more details and to purchase tickets visit www.cavendishpta.org.uk/events/raffle-2023

Closes 1st December 2023 at 8pm

On the 8th December Christmas is coming to Cavendish! Santa will be popping by with his elves and real live reindeer, along with festive crafts and games, mulled wine and sweet treats. Gates open at 3.30pm and entry is via the school carpark. We do still need volunteers and are at risk of downscaling or even cancelling the event if we can't get enough people to help. If you're able to volunteer for the whole event (3.30-5.30) or just the first or second hour, please fill in our volunteer form: <https://forms.gle/F7U9UkgvfV2QLpWBA>

FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER
3.30 - 5.30

Christmas AT Cavendish

FREE ENTRY

SANTA | LIVE REINDEER | CRAFTS
MULLED WINE | MUSIC | GAMES

ENTRANCE VIA CAR PARK

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Healthy Tip of the Week

December Kindness 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
 4 Support a charity, cause or campaign you really care about	 5 Give a gift to someone who is homeless or feeling lonely	 6 Leave a positive message for someone else to find	 7 Give kind comments to as many people as possible today	 1 Spread kindness and share the December calendar with others	 2 Contact someone you can't be with to see how they are	 3 Offer to help someone who is facing difficulties at the moment
 11 Buy an extra item and donate it to a local food bank	 12 Be generous. Feed someone with food, love or kindness today	 13 See how many different people you can smile at today	 14 Share a happy memory or inspiring thought with a loved one	 15 Say hello to your neighbour and brighten up their day	 16 Look for something positive to say to everyone you speak to	 17 Give thanks. List the kind things others have done for you
 18 Ask for help and let someone else discover the joy of giving	 19 Contact someone who may be alone or feeling isolated	 20 Help others by giving away something that you don't need	 21 Appreciate kindness and thank people who do things for you	 22 Congratulate someone for an achievement that may go unnoticed	 23 Choose to give or receive the gift of forgiveness	 24 Bring joy to others. Share something which made you laugh
 25 Treat everyone with kindness today, including yourself!	 26 Get outside. Pick up litter or do something kind for nature	 27 Call a relative who is far away to say hello and have a chat	 28 Be kind to the planet. Eat less meat and use less energy	 29 Turn off digital devices and really listen to people	 30 Let someone know how much you appreciate them and why	 31 Plan some new acts of kindness to do in 2024

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

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CHRISTMAS GROTTO

SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER
IN THE
THE OLD PARSONAGE
11AM-4PM

- MEET SANTA AND HIS ELVES!
- CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CRAFTS
- CHRISTMAS STALLS
- HOT DRINKS
- MULLED WINE AND MINCE PIES
- JASPER THE PUPPET DOG
- HYMNS BY NORTHEMENDEN COMMUNITY CHOIR
- RAFFLE

£2 FOR EACH CRAFT
£3 VISIT TO SANTA
£5 FOR BOTH!

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Didsbury Needs Your Vote

Didsbury Dragons Den Event

- Didsbury Councillors have shortlisted a selection of funding applications for climate-related projects.
- Vote for Didsbury projects you like
- View and contribute to YOUR climate change action plan

Ways to register

- Scan the QR code
- Email
- Sign in on the night

Date and Place

- 7th December 2023
- 18:00 - 20:00 hrs
- Didsbury Baptist Church

Free Entry

Get In Touch
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BRILLIANT CITIZENS

In this section of the newsletter we hear all about how the children are being **BRILLIANT** citizens!

Nico competed in Muay Thai on his teams Raw & Ready Home Show in Wilmslow on Saturday 25th November and won his bout. Here he is in the ring straight after with his opponent and back in training again on Monday as a winner.

Nico trains with 2Technical Muay Thai in Reddish and Denton 3/4 times a week. **BRILLIANT** sporting achievement Nico, **WELL DONE!**



Christmas Holiday Activities & Food Information and Booking Code for Parents and Carers

The Christmas holidays are fast approaching. MCRactive and Manchester City Council are offering thousands of FREE places for children eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

Activities will range from Sport and Physical Activities, Arts and Crafts and much more. In addition to the activities, their booked place will include a FREE meal during the day. For more information and to book your child's space*: You will need to sign up for an MCRactive Go account <https://www.mcractive.com/> (sign in) to book free Christmas holiday activities. Once signed up, log into your account – Find Activities – Search by Category 'MCR Holiday Activity' - . Use code: 99765 to book free eligible activities.

Please also visit <https://loadstodo.co.uk/> to view additional FREE holiday activities and other opportunities taking place across the city.

*Please only book your child onto a holiday camp if they will be attending. Spaces at each camp are limited. If you book a space and your child can no longer attend, please cancel your space as far in advance as possible, to allow the opportunity for another child to take their space at the activity and free meal.

Kind Regards, MCRactive



GROWING BRILLIANTLY

THE 7 HABITS OF A POSITIVE PARENT

1

CONNECT BEFORE YOUR CORRECT

When we connect, kids move from a defensive, reactive state to a receptive one.

♦ "COME HERE FOR A HUG. YOU SEEM TO FEEL VERY STRONGLY ABOUT THIS. TELL ME MORE"

1

ASK FOR HELP WHEN YOU NEED IT

You'll get the support you need and model the importance of speaking up.

♦ "I TOOK ON A LOT THIS WEEK. I WILL SEE IF MY FRIEND CAN HELP ME OUT."

3

MAKE TIME FOR YOURSELF

Our children will never choose to give us a break. We need to make sure our needs are met.

♦ "I NEED TIME TO RELAX FOR TEN MINUTES. I WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER."

4

SET FIRM BOUNDARIES

Clear boundaries help children thrive and make parenting easier.

♦ "MY ANSWER IS NO. YOU'RE FREE TO DISAGREE"

5

STAY FLEXIBLE

Be open to change your mind. Try new approaches, find what works for YOUR family.

♦ "I WOULD LIKE TO TRY SOMETHING DIFFERENT TONIGHT. BEFORE WE READ A BOOK, LET'S TALK ABOUT OUR DAY."

6

LEAD WITH LOVE

Let your child know that your love never wavers. Even when things get tough.

♦ "THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO FOR ME TO LOVE YOU MORE OR LESS."

7

BE AN ACTIVE LISTENER

Connect and ask questions instead of making assumptions.

♦ "THANK YOU FOR SHARING THAT WITH ME. I WANT TO TALK MORE ABOUT THIS TO UNDERSTAND YOUR PERSPECTIVE."

WHEN YOU ADOPT THESE POSITIVE PARENTING HABITS... YOU BUILD A DEEPLY CONNECTED PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP.

