

CANNON PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Issue Number 01 – Friday 8th September 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome the children back into school this week and to welcome our new children in Reception for the very first time. I do hope you all had a relaxing, restful and enjoyable summer. As I've walked around the school this week, it has amazed me how well the children have settled back into their school routine.

Personally, I have enjoyed my first week in my new role as head teacher. I feel extremely lucky to be leading such a strong staff, who care deeply about the wellbeing and achievement of the children. It has been lovely to hear many kind comments and welcomes from the parents on the playground this week – your support is very much appreciated. I look forward to continuing to move the school forwards.

Mr Ray

Dates for your diary

When	Who	What
Friday 15 th September	Year 5 and 6	Trip to Warwick Arts Centre for a Book Launch during the afternoon – Please return all Consent Forms
19 th to 21 st September	Year 6	Residential to Dol-y-Moch in Wales
Monday 9 th October	Whole School	Individual and sibling photographs

Extra-curricular Clubs

Providing children with a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities is something we are passionate about at Cannon Park. Next week, letters will be coming home for a range of sports clubs on offer. In addition, there are still places available for our Spanish Club, led by Joy for Bilingua Sing, and Lego Club, led by Vicky. Furthermore, if you are interested in your child learning to play an instrument, please contact Coventry Music through the *Music* page on our website under the *Learning* tab.



Friday Celebration Assembly

If your child is the class star of the week, you will receive a text message from the school to inform you ahead of the Friday assembly inviting you to join in the celebration. We always enjoyed children sharing their achievements outside of school during our weekly Celebration Assembly. If your child has a significant certificate, medal or trophy to share, please send it in with your child on Thursday so we can have everything ready for our assembly on Friday.

Homework

We are currently updating our homework policy following feedback from parents and carers at the end of last year. Mr Kelley will be sending a letter home detailing the changes next week and then we will begin to set homework across the school.

Uniform

If you have any pre-loved uniform at home that is now too small for your children, the school would welcome the donation. We offer all pre-loved donations free to our school community on the table just inside the main entrance.

Car Park

This is a gentle reminder that the school car park is for staff use only at all times.

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Celebrating our Learning

Reception

What a fantastic start to the year the children in Reception have had! It has been wonderful to welcome them into their new environment and get to know each of their amazing personalities. The children have been so grown up and have already shown the value of teamwork by getting to know each other through lots of games and activities. They have enjoyed exploring their new learning environment, especially the construction area, home corner, and creative area! The children have even impressed us with their tidying-up skills at the end of each session! We look forward to next week when we will start to learn the alphabet through daily phonics lessons. We will be singing and learning lots of nursery rhymes and listening to lots of different stories too. Well done, Year R! We are very proud of you and are looking forward to a fun and exciting year!
Miss Swain, Miss Roberts, Mrs Murphy & Miss Handford

Year 1

Hello all, I hope everyone has had a lovely summer break. I am incredibly excited to be teaching Year 1 at Cannon Park this year! The children have made a wonderful start so far settling into the new routines. We have been spending time getting to know each other, and we have even done some fabulous writing already! They have been superb, even in the sweltering heat, and we are looking forward to seeing them continue to shine as we move through the year. I hope you all have a lovely weekend and come back rested and ready for more fun on Monday. Miss Brett and Miss Delargy.

Year 2

It has been great to welcome the children into Year 2 this week. They have all settled really quickly and are really impressing myself and Miss Softic. In English, the children have been writing sentence with a particular focus on how to present their work neatly in their books. In maths, we have just started to learn about the place value of numbers up 100. Well done Year 2 - a great start to the year! Keep it up!
Mr Kelley & Miss Softic

Year 3

What a great first week it has been in Year 3! It has been wonderful welcoming the children into their new class. They have all come into school with huge smiles on their faces and have been excited to learn each day. I have been particularly proud of how they have quickly settled into the routines of Key Stage 2. Our school values have been displayed every day, which has earned the children several value vouchers in the first week! As class teacher, I am looking forward to getting to know the children and parents. I am excited about teaching the children all the amazing topics we cover in Year 3 and supporting them in their individual learning journeys. This year, our teaching assistant is Miss Hayes, and she is looking forward to helping the children. In Year 3, the children will learn Spanish with Mrs Smith and play the Ukulele with Mrs Ball. Well done Year 3, we are so proud of you. Have a great weekend.
Mrs Nagra and Miss Hayes

Year 4

It has been lovely to see the children back in school after the summer holidays. We have really enjoyed hearing all about their break and finding out lots more about them all. On Tuesday, we spent the day on some 'getting to know you' activities, it was lovely to find out interesting facts, their likes and dislikes and their ambitions for the coming year.

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We have also made a start on some of our curriculum subjects this week. In maths, we have been focusing on place value, thinking about how to partition numbers up to 1000. We have been very impressed with the maths work so far, the children are all focused learners who clearly want to work hard. Over the coming weeks and months, Year 4 will have a continued focus on learning all of the times tables, any support you can give your child in this would be most beneficial.

In English, the children have had the chance to showcase some of their brilliant writing in response to interesting images. It has been a pleasure to read the children's writing, they have learned so much in Year 3 and we can't wait to see how they continue to progress in Year 4.

Next week, we will be starting many of our new topics, I know the children are especially looking forward to starting our history topic on the Romans.

Well done on such a brilliant start to the term, Year 4; it really has been a brilliant week and we are looking forward to the rest of the year immensely!

Mrs Amphlett and Mrs Akthar

Year 5

Well, what a wonderful first week we have had with our new Year 5 class! What a hot week it has been as well! In spite of the heat, the children have made a great impression on us and we know we are going to have a fantastic year with them. We have been doing lots of 'getting to know you' activities as well as beginning our English and maths units of learning. In English, we have used the 'Ruckus' short animation film to inspire us to write character descriptions and use fronted adverbials. In maths, we have been learning about the place value of larger numbers as well as exploring Roman numerals. We began our 'Forces' science topic by doing a practical outdoor activity, where we explored different forces acting on objects. It has been lovely getting to know the children and we look forward to an exciting year of learning. Have a lovely weekend in the sunshine!

Mrs Aston, Mrs Reihill and Miss Cleveland

Year 6

Hello everyone, I hope you all had a lovely summer break and feel well-rested ahead of the new academic year. I'm thrilled to once again be teaching in Year 6 this year and I am also looking forward to taking on my new and exciting responsibilities as acting deputy head – I am certain that this year will be full of exciting learning opportunities for your children that will help build character and support them in reaching their potential. Despite the weather being incredibly hot, the children made a wonderful start and settled in well during their first week, I am so proud of how each and every one of them has settled in. I hope you all have a fantastic weekend.

Mr. Young & Mrs. Kailey.



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Term Dates 2023/2024

Autumn Term (2023)

Friday 1 st September	INSET Day
Monday 4 th September	INSET Day
Tuesday 5 th September	First day of term
Monday 30 th to Friday 3 rd November	Half Term
Monday 6 th November	INSET Day
Tuesday 7 th November	Children return to school
Friday 22 nd December	Last day of term
Monday 25 th December to Monday 5 th January	Christmas Holidays

Spring Term (2024)

Monday 8 th January	INSET Day
Tuesday 9 th January	First day of term
Monday 12 th February to Friday 16 th February	Half Term
Monday 19 th February	Children return to school
Friday 22 nd March	Last day of term
Monday 25 th March to Friday 5 th April	Easter Holidays

Summer Term (2024)

Monday 8 th April	First day of term
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 27 th May to Friday 31 st May	Half Term
Monday 3 rd June	INSET Day
Tuesday 4 th June	Children return to school
Friday 19 th July	Last day of term