

CANNON PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Issue Number 26 – Friday 12th April 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Eid Mubarak! I hope those of you celebrating had a good time this week. Welcome back to the Summer Term! It even looks like the weather is gradually improving this week too – let's hope the sunshine lasts. It has been wonderful to see the children back in school this week, focused on their learning. My highlight of the week has been seeing our children in reception enjoy their new outdoor equipment. They have all showed excellent teamwork skills by sharing the spare together.

Mr Ray



Dates for your diary

When	Who	What
Friday 19 th April	Whole School	Own Clothes Day
Thursday 25 th April	Y5/6	Football Match v St John Vianney (away)
13 th – 16 th May	Year 6	KS2 Assessments (SATs) Week
Tuesday 11 th June	Year 3	Trip to Compton Verny
Thursday 14 th June	Reception	Father's Day Craft in class (2:45 start)

Own Clothes Day

Next Friday, to mark Coventry City's appearance in the FA Cup Semi-Final, all children are welcome to wear their own clothes on Friday. Of course, when you're deciding on what to wear, something in sky blue colours would be lovely!

Outdoor Equipment

Please remind your children not to use any of the outdoor equipment, including the trim trail and climbing frame before or after school. Staff are not on duty during these times.



Football Team

Another match brings another win for the school football team. This week, they beat Whoberley Hall 3-2. The team showed great determination to come back from 2-1 down to win the match.

Academy Catering

Our new catering provider, Academy, have started this week. I enjoyed a hot dinner on Monday – chicken curry – and it was fantastic. Neil, who many of you met during parents' evenings, has been in school a lot this week to support our fantastic cooks and I've heard lots of positive comments from children about the food this week. If your child would like to switch from packed lunches to hot dinners, please speak to Miss Tremain in the school office.

Student Teachers

Miss Stepien, who spent a number of weeks in Year 5 last term, will be returning to Cannon Park to start her final teaching placement in Year 2 next week. We look forward to welcoming her back to school.

Reading Volunteers

We are lucky enough to have several volunteers who work in classes listening to children read. This is very helpful and has a big impact on the reading development of the children. If you are interested in supporting the school and listening to children read, please speak to Mrs Amphlett.

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Book Donations

Year 4 will be focusing on the story 'Varjak Paw' in our reading lessons over the next few weeks. If anyone has a copy of this book at home that they no longer require, we would be very happy to take it off your hands. Your child can pass any unwanted copies to Mrs Amphlett.



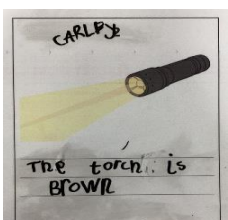
Homework

Children will be receiving homework as usual this week. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

Celebrating our Learning Reception

This week, the children were welcomed back into school with an exciting change to our outdoor area! The magic beans we planted before Easter really were magical! The children have shown so much enjoyment learning how to use the new equipment safely whilst improving their gross motor skills. During phonics this week, the children have learned the sounds *ur* and *ow* and they have impressed us with their reading and writing skills. It has been so lovely to see the children create and write their own stories independently and show confidence when reading them aloud to the rest of the class. Our topic this week has been 'Springtime' and we have enjoyed learning about the different animals that are born each year. We also looked at the weather and had fun going on a walk around school to spot the signs of Spring. We spotted daffodils, blossom, daisies, a ladybird, bumble bees and even a bird's nest! We also enjoyed creating bird feeders using pipe cleaners and cereal hoops.

Polite reminder– Please do not use the new outdoor equipment before and after school. Thank you
At home, it would be helpful if you could support your child with their writing, especially their letter formation. Encourage them to write a simple sentence using their phonics skills, but don't worry about spellings at this stage. Well done, Reception! We are incredibly proud of you all. Miss Swain, Miss Roberts, Mrs Smith, Miss Hayes and Miss Handford



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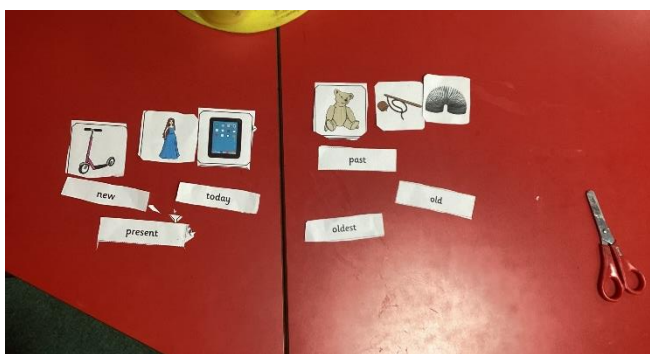
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Year 1

It has been a lovely first week back in Year 1. The children have settled back in really quickly and determinedly; we have had a lot of fun and done a lot of learning. In English, we wrote our very own set of instructions using time conjunctions and imperative verbs. We then moved onto a new topic where we are exploring how to re-tell a well-known story in our own words. We have been practising our use of capital letters, full stops and adjectives. Next week we will be planning our own story inspired by *The Tiger Who Came to Tea*, re-telling it in our own words with our own animal visitor. In maths, we have been working on place value within 50. We have been working hard counting from 20 to 50 and understanding how to make it easier by making groups of ten and counting in tens. In science, we looked at common birds we might find in our local area and then made bird feeders to attract them. Next week, we will be going on a tree hunt to see what types of trees we can find in our local area. In PSHE, we discussed what spending money and saving money means and how we can do both. We compiled a shopping list of things we would buy for a party and then went 'shopping', being mindful of how much money we had and how much we could spend. We also looked at needs vs wants. We sorted items based on whether we need them e.g., water or if they were something that we wanted e.g., a new games console.

If you would like to support at home, any extra practice of helping the children to understand tens and ones would be greatly beneficial. For example, 43 has 4 tens and 3 ones. It can be a little tricky to remember that it is not 43 has 40 tens and 3 ones.

Miss Delargy and I are very excited to see what next week brings, so have a lovely, restful weekend and we'll see you on Monday! Miss Brett and Miss Delargy



Year 2

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a restful Easter break and for those celebrating, I'd like to wish you Eid Mubarak. All the children have settled back in to school life really well this week. In our English lessons, the children have enjoyed the book – *John Patrick Norman McHennessy - The Boy who was Always Late!* They have worked with a partner to draw a story map, used their bodies to create freeze frames and asked questions to the different characters in the 'hot seat'. They have also used time adverbials to sequence the events in the story and practised writing expanded noun phrases about the different characters in the book. In maths, the class have continued their learning on different measurements. This week they have been introduced to capacity - millilitres and litres. At home, it would be really helpful if they could experience measuring out different liquids in millilitres and litres. Perhaps using a measuring jug or a squash bottle to see how much a litre is. As scientists, they have learnt about the human lifecycle, and considered the difference between babies, children and adults, As geographers, they have found out about a desert climate. In computing, the class have finished their unit on making music. They have used Chrome Music Lab to refine their pieces of music and performed their pieces to the rest of the class, who gave each other positive feedback. Next week, in maths, we will be talking about temperature - please could you talk to your child about this. Perhaps watch the weather forecast - fingers crossed it gets a bit warmer - or do some cookery and talk about the temperature in the oven. Many thanks! Mr Kelley and Miss Softic

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Year 3

It has been a superb week of learning in Year 3. The children have come back from the Easter break ready and eager to learn. We started the week exploring the mystery behind Harris Burdick's pictures, and enjoyed using his images as inspiration for short stories. We focused on making our sentences more exciting for the reader and practised how to use different sentence starters including adverbials, subordinating conjunctions, prepositions and similes. In maths, we have started our new topic on mass and capacity. This week, the focus has been on measuring mass, and we measured in kilograms and grams, learned about equivalent masses and compared mass. By using scales, we were able to identify the mass of various objects in our classroom. If you would like to continue the learning at home, the children could look at the packaging of different food items to note the mass of each. Then, they could have a go at adding and subtracting the mass of different items. As historians, we researched what made Coventry famous and why people chose to come and live in the city. We discovered that over the centuries, Coventry was renowned in ribbon weaving, clock and watch manufacture, and bicycle and car manufacturing. In our learning of science, we have started our new topic on 'Light and Shadow' and during our first lesson, we investigated how we see things. Using 'feely' bags, we guessed what items were inside the bag. Without a light source, this was particularly tricky, however once a light source was allowed into the bag, the items were illuminated and visible. Well done Year 3 for a fabulous start to the term. We wish you all a lovely weekend. Mrs Nagra, Mrs Murphy and Miss Barratt



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Year 6

Firstly, I'd like to welcome all of the children back after their well-deserved two-week break. I hope everyone had a lovely rest and that they are ready and excited to learn. This week, I've been very impressed with the children's discipline during their lessons, they have been focused, motivated and have clearly come back to school with a willingness to extract the most out of their lesson time. As writers, the children have been learning about balanced arguments and have been developing their understanding on how to write for differing points of view. The children came up with their own topics to write about and have made some very informative points which have been wonderful to read. As mathematicians, the children have been learning about statistics, specifically line graphs, bar graphs and pie charts. The children have enjoyed deciphering the data within differing images and have been solving problems related to the patterns they have noticed. As readers, the children have been reading short texts and have been developing their understanding of exam techniques by analysing a variety of question types. As geographers, the children were discovering the effects of droughts, how they are caused and why some areas of the world are drier than others. Overall, I'm so pleased with how the children have settled back in and I hope they have a fantastic weekend. Mr. Young and Mrs Kailey



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Beautiful Sugar Craft Club Cake Creations!





Our Achievers for the week ending 12th April 2024



Stars
of the
week!

Our Stars of the w/e 12th April 2024



Reception Class - Bess

Year 1 - Rayan

Year 2 - Hedva

Year 3 - Laura

Year 4 - Oskar

Year 5 - Leo

Year 6 - Chloe



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Bronze & Silver Awards received on 12th April 2024



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Congratulations

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Attendance Chart w/e 12/04/24

Year	Percentage
1 st	5 95.3%
2 nd	R 94.8%
3 rd	3 94.5%
4 th	6 92.4%
5 th	2 89.7%
6 th	1 88.6%
7 th	4 83.1%

Well Done Year 5!



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Clubs Summer Term 2024

Day	Activity	Year Groups	Led by	Cost
Monday 3:30 – 4:30	Lego Club	Y3-6	Vicky from Cre8fun	£5 per class
Monday 12:30 – 1:00	Spanish	Y1-2	Joy from Bilingua Sing	£4.50 per class
Monday 3:30 – 4:30	Tennis	R-2	Epic Academy	Free
Monday 3:30 – 4:30	Football	Y4-6	Mr Beech	£10 per term
Tuesday 3:30 – 4:30	Games	R-2	Mr Beech	£10 per term
Tuesday 3:30 – 4:30	Tennis	Y3-6	Epic Academy	Free
Tuesday 3:30 – 4:30	Netball	Y4-6	Miss Bullock	£10 per term
Tuesday 8:00 – 8:45	Dance	Y2-6	Liz Wison Dance	£60 per term
Wednesday 8:00 – 8:45	Badminton	Y3-6	Miss Bullock	£10 per term
Wednesday 3:30 – 4:30	Athletics	Y4-6	Mr Beech	£10 per term
Wednesday 3:30 – 4:30	Sugar Craft	Y2/3	Midge Smith	£126 per term
Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Rounders	Y4-6	Miss Bullock	£10 per term
Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Cricket	Y3-5	Mr Beech	£10 per term
Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Art Club	Y3-6	Miss Murphy	£10 per term
Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Sugar Craft	Y4-6	Midge Smith	£128 per term
Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Arts & Crafts	R-2	Vicky from Cre8fun	£5 per class
Music Lessons offered during the school day:				
Thursday	Drum Lessons	Years 2 – 6	Coventry Music Service	£17.90 to £49.50 per month, depending on frequency of lessons and group or individual lessons
Thursday	Flute Lessons			
Friday	Keyboard Lessons			
Contact Coventry Music Service for more information				

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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

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Term Dates 2024/2025

Autumn Term (2024)

Monday 2 nd September	INSET Day
Tuesday 3 rd September	First day of term
Friday 25 th October	INSET Day
Monday 28 th October to Friday 1 st November	Half Term
Monday 4 th November	Children return to school
Friday 20 th December	Last day of term
Monday 23 rd December to Friday 3 rd January	Christmas Holidays

Spring Term (2025)

Monday 6 th January	INSET Day
Tuesday 7 th January	First day of term
Monday 17 th February to Friday 21 st February	Half Term
Monday 24 th February	Children return to school
Friday 11 th April	Last day of term
Monday 14 th April to Friday 25 th April	Easter Holidays

Summer Term (2025)

Monday 28 th April	First day of term
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 26 th May to Friday 30 th May	Half Term
Monday 2 nd June	INSET Day
Tuesday 3 rd June	Children return to school
Friday 18 th July	Last day of term
Monday 21 st July	INSET Day