

Message from the class teachers:

What a fantastic first half term at Cavendish Close Junior Academy! The children worked extremely hard and have settled into their new school excellently. We are really looking forward to the half term ahead as the countdown to Christmas officially begins with our rehearsals for The Inn Crowd. See Diary Dates on the next page.

Teachers: Mrs Bielby, Mrs Goosey, Miss Winfield and Mr Taylor

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Lowe, Mrs Edwards and Mrs Byrne

An overview of learning this half term

Maths: Securing number facts, addition, subtraction and counting in multiples

English: Narrative and Poetry

Geography: Extreme climates

Science: Forces and Magnets

RE: Why is the Bible important to Christians today?

French: All About Me

Art: Printing

Computing: Events and Actions Programmes

PE: OAA and Gymnastics

General Reminders:

As the weather gets colder, please send your child to school with a warm coat for break and lunch times and a good jumper for PE days as we will still be doing PE outside.

PE

Fletcher (Mrs Bielby) – Tuesday and Friday

Bond (Mrs Goosey and Miss Winfield) – Monday and Wednesday

Green (Mr Taylor) – Wednesday and Friday

Earrings must be removed and hair must be tied back for PE. These need to be able to be removed by the children themselves.

Our inside PE this half term is gymnastics so please send your child with shorts under their PE kits.

Snacks and water bottles

Children are permitted to bring in their own snack for break time which should consist of a piece of fruit or vegetable sticks. Children must bring in their own named water bottle from home which should only contain water. Please do not send your child with squash.

Homework

Now the children have received their iPads, homework is being set weekly. Every week there is an activity set on Spelling Shed relating to their spelling rule. They also need to complete an activity that is set on Purple Mash. Homework is set on a Thursday and the children have a week to complete it. Also, please encourage your child to access Reading, Sum Dog and Times Table Rockstars. We will ensure all children are confident in accessing homework tasks and all passwords are provided in reading diaries, which must be kept safely.

Reading

Please read with your child at least three times a week at home and sign this off in their reading records. We have rewards in school for children reading at home. Books and reading diaries need to be in school every day. Reading books can be changed once the children have completed their book quiz on Accelerated Reader. This can also be completed at home on their iPads.

Nut Free School

There are children and staff in school who have a severe nut allergy. Not only are they allergic to nuts, they cannot tolerate having food substances with nuts in. Therefore, we are now a **nut free** school. Please ensure your child does not bring any nuts or food items to school which have nuts as a listed ingredient.

Christmas Nativity

The Year 3's invite you to come and watch our nativity – The Inn Crowd

Please support your child learning their lines at home and adding in some PIZZAZZ to their performances.

Our performance dates and times are as follows:

Tuesday 12th December – 5pm

Thursday 14th December – 9:30am.

Further ticket information will be shared on dojo.