

Tuesday 23rd July

Dear Parents and Carers

Arrangements for September 2024

I am writing to provide an update regarding our return to school in September. Children will return to school on Thursday 5th September. The following arrangements have been put into place so that we can manage and organise the academy well from the first day in September.

Attendance

Attendance is mandatory for all children and therefore we expect all children to come to school every day. If your child is unable to attend school, you must inform the school office on 01332 672338 as early as possible. We know that the best way for all children to make good progress is to be in school every day. Our academy attendance target is 97%.

Uniform

We ask that all children come to school wearing their full school uniform and sensible shoes in line with our uniform policy. Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name.

The academy uniform consists of:

- Black/dark grey pinafore dress, skirt, trousers or tailored shorts (No jeans or leggings)
- Royal blue jumper/cardigan/sweatshirt (preferably academy issue)
- White polo shirt/shirt/blouse
- White/black/dark grey socks
- Black/dark grey tights may be worn instead of socks
- Black shoes practical/hardwearing with no heel that can be easily cleaned

PE Kit

We do at least 2 hours of Physical Education (PE) each week and we recognise this as an area of strength at our academy. Children come into school wearing their PE kits on their two PE days each week and wear school uniform for the other three days. We will communicate the PE days at the start of the next academic year, so please send your child in full uniform on the first day. Children will also need a spare pair of trainers to keep in school for the mile run. Over the page is a reminder of PE kit expectations. These should be plain with no logos please.













Indoor P.E.	Outdoor P.E.
Plain white T-shirt	Plain white T-shirt
Black shorts	Black shorts or plain black or navy tracksuit bottoms
	Plain black or navy sweatshirt
	Trainers

Equipment

We ask that children only bring the items that they really need. This should be:

- Water bottle (freshly filled each day)
- Packed lunch (if needed)
- Coat, hat, suncream (when applicable)
- Book Bag or a small bag for book, pencil case and school ipad
- Pencil cases (if child wants to bring one) should contain: Pencils, eraser, ruler, glue stick, green pen, green highlighter, pencil sharpener – No scissors or compasses please
- Individual academy iPad (which should be charged ready for the day) N.B. Year 3 will not have this to begin with as they will complete their induction sessions in school first

Drop off and collection

- Our doors will open at 8.40am for all pupils and will remain open until 8.50am, when registration will begin. Children will complete morning tasks on entry to school each day in order to help them to settle and consolidate learning from the previous day
- All children will finish school at 3.15pm
- We encourage children in years 5 and 6 to walk up from the gates on their own where possible, but parents will be asked to accompany any children who do not behave sensibly on the school grounds













Year 3 drop off and pick up points at the front of the building:















Year 4 drop off and pick up points at the back of the building:















Year 5 drop off at the front of the building (through hall door):















Year 5 exit at the infant's end of the building:















Year 6 entrance and exit at the back of the building:



Breakfast Club

We offer a breakfast club from 7.30am each day at a cost of £4.50 per session (£2.50 for those children in receipt of free school meals), places can be reserved at the school office or by emailing info@cavendish.theharmonytrust.org













Playtimes and lunchtimes

Each year group has playtime at 10:10am until 10:25am. Years 3 and 4 play together on the upper playground and Years 5 and 6 are on the lower playground. Children can bring a fruit or vegetable snack in for breaktime (please note that school do not provide fruit or vegetables and this needs to be brought in from home).

All children eat in the hall at lunchtimes. Lunchtimes run from 12:00pm until 1:00pm. Each day, children have a choice of activities to enjoy at lunchtimes including football, lego, drawing, colouring, trim trail, tyres, sports activities and much more.

The cost of a paid school dinner is £3.00 per day (£15 per week), which is payable on ParentPay. Children are welcome to have a mix of dinners and sandwiches throughout the week and they must share their meal choice with their teacher each morning. Here is a link to our September menu 28453788 page file.pdf (schoolspider.co.uk)

Behaviour

We have 3 rules in school and children are regularly reminded of these in assemblies and lessons. These are: Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Engaged. We reward good behaviour in lots of exciting ways, but there are always consequences when the school rules are not followed.





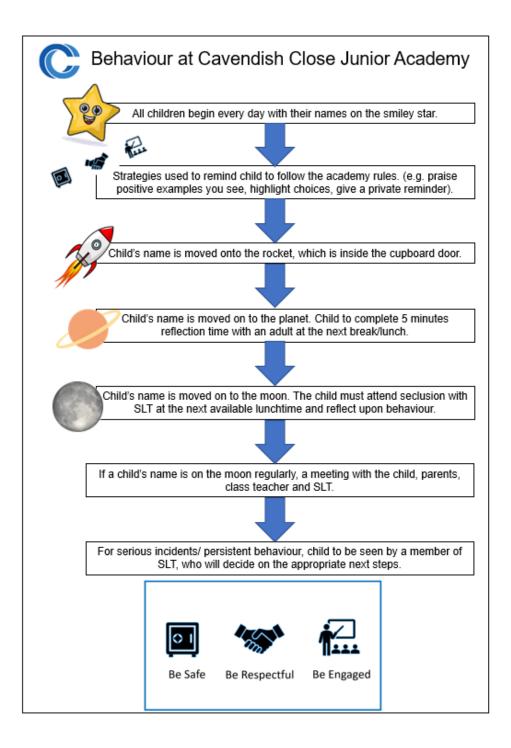
























School term dates and INSET/Trust Days

Term dates 2024- 2025

Autumn Term 1	Thursday 5 th September 2024	Friday 25 th October 2024	
Teacher Training	CLOSED – Wednesday 4 th September 2024		
Autumn Term 2	Tuesday 5 th November 2024	Friday 20 th December 2024	
Teacher Training	CLOSED – Monday 4 th November 2024		
Spring Term 1	Monday 6 th January 2025	Thursday 13 th February 2025	
Teacher Training	CLOSED – Friday 14 th February 2025		
Spring Term 2	Monday 24 th February 2025	Friday 4 th April 2025	
Summer Term 1	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025	Friday 23 rd May 2025	
Bank Holiday	CLOSED – Monday 5 th May 2025		
Summer Term 2	Tuesday 3 rd June 2025	Wednesday 23 rd July 2025	
Teacher Training	CLOSED – Monday 2 nd June 2025		
Academic Year 25 - 26 begins	ТВС		

Teacher Training /Trust Days – School closed to pupils

Wednesday 4th September 2024
Monday 4th November 2024
Friday 14th February 2025
Monday 2 nd June 2025

If you have any questions before we finish for the summer, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. I look forward to welcoming you into your new classes in September and wish you a fun-filled summer holiday.

Yours faithfully

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Michelle Tague Principal









