

CANVEY JUNIOR SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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## Reminders



- 26-01-24 Year 5 first aid
- 26-01-24 6JH Class Assembly
- 30-01-24 Netball match Leigh Beck
- 02-02-24 Year 5 first aid

## Last 2 weeks at Canvey Junior School

- 04-01-24 School started for pupils
- 05-01-24 Year 5 first aid
- 11-01-24 Year 5 speed-watch
- 16-01-24 Netball match Northwick
- 18-01-24 Football match William Read

Dear Parents,

I would like to start by saying a huge thank you for all the positive comments and support regarding our recent OFSTED inspection. This report captures the hard work that takes place across our whole school community from the teachers through to the children and yourselves—their parents and carers at home. It is those strong relationships and collaboration between home and school that ensures your children get the best experience at primary school.

Over the Christmas holidays, and since our return to school, we have noticed an increase in inappropriate behaviour of some pupils when using social media outside of the school day. We take online safety very seriously here in school and have fully embedded teaching our pupils how to stay safe and respectful when using the Internet. As a school we can talk to the pupils, invite guests in to help them learn about the consequences but it also has to come from home. Many of the Apps the pupils are using are age 13+, therefore primary aged children should not be accessing them. If you do allow your child access to these platforms, I would strongly urge you learn about setting up the parental controls in order to help keep your children safe both physically and mentally. The attached link offers many parental guides to help you keep your children safe when using these Apps.

[Online Safety Training For Schools | National Online Safety \(nationalcollege.com\)](https://www.nationalcollege.com/online-safety-training-for-schools/)

If you need any further support or advice on how to keep your child safe when using the internet or Apps, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Hinson—our E-safety lead—or myself.

S. Townsley



### Netball

Wow! What a game the girls netball team played on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January. It was an away game at Northwick Park School. The girls, as always, showed amazing teamwork and dedication throughout the match. At the final whistle, the score was 11-1 to Canvey. Well done girls and thank you to the parents for your support during the game.

### Boys and Girls Football Matches

Yesterday we took our Boys and Girls football teams to compete against William Read. The boys played first and began the game really well, dominating the game but struggling to find the goal to break the deadlock. However, after hitting the woodwork 4 times we eventually scored the opening goal just before half time to the relief of the players. The second half was just as good with some lovely passing play to transition the ball from defence to attack which ultimately led us to scoring another two goals. It was a well deserved 3-0 win but the passing display and teamwork was the real highlight. The girls played next and were enthusiastic about playing having watched the boys win their game, despite it being very cold. The first half was very competitive but we conceded 2 goals early on. However, the girls showed great resilience to bounce back and score two goals themselves. Although as the game went on we did concede five more goals to finish on the wrong end of a 7-2 loss. Unfortunately for us, William Read had one standout player who ultimately was the difference between the sides as she scored all of their goals. Nevertheless, our girls never gave up and played some nice football, worked hard and had lots of chances at goal. They should be proud of their performances in the game.

Well done to both teams!

### Year 5 Speed Watch with Essex Police

Last week, the year 5 children took part in a Speed Watch day with Essex Police, monitoring speeding drivers down Thorney Bay Road. The children were excited to help the police with their duties and even managed to help the police flag down and talk to some speeding drivers, reminding them of the speed restrictions in place and why they are so important for the safety of everyone in the community.

### Year 5 First Aid Training

Year 5 have completed their second session of six of their first aid training where they have been learning the vital skills which, so far, have included: how to deal with choking hazards, how to tie bandages and how to place someone into the recovery position. The children have really enjoyed and engaged in these sessions and learnt so many invaluable life skills along the way.

### Valentines Disco

Watch out for the ticket sales for the Valentines disco which go on sale soon. They are £3.00 a ticket.

### Uniform

Can I please remind parents that pupils must only wear plain black footwear. We are seeing increasing numbers of children wearing shoes with coloured soles or coloured logos. Also, our PE kits are strictly plain navy blue. We do not allow branded tracksuits or sportswear. I have asked all class teachers to be extra vigilant with this and contact yourselves if children are not in the correct uniform.

### Attendance

Regular attendance in school is vital for not only your child's education, but also their mental health. There are clear links between those children who have irregular attendance and those with anxiety. Often poor attendance can affect your child's friendship groups as they feel isolated from the games being played and missed conversation's in the playground. They can also feel anxious in the class due to lack of understanding as to what is being taught because they have missed previous learning.

As a school, we understand the effects the pandemic had on attendance and have seen an increase in missed school days since children returned to school full time. However, things are not improving.

Therefore, to help you decide if your child is well enough for school, I have attached a couple of links which offer advice as to when a child should be kept off school and if so, for how long.

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

[Health protection in children and young people settings, including education - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

As always, if you have any queries or concerns or are ever unsure, please do not hesitate to contact us here in school.

### Attendance League

Whole school attendance up until 19-01-2024 is 95.3%.

The classes with the best attendance for:

Week Beginning 8-08-01-2024 is

Lower School -1st Place - 3DS 97.2%  
Upper School - 1st Place - 5BF 97.1%

Week Beginning 15-01-2024 is

Lower School -1st Place - 3MD 97.9%  
Upper School - 1st Place - 5BF 98.6