

CANVEY JUNIOR SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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## Reminders



- 26.06.24 Year 5 Computing with Castle View
- 26.06.24 Castle View transition presentation to Year 6
- 28.06.24 Maths Parent workshop
- 02.07.24 Canvey Awards evening at Cornelius
- 03.07.24 Sports afternoon
- 04.07.24 School closed for Polling Day

## Last 2 weeks at Canvey Junior School

- 10.06.24 The start of our new Year 3 tours
- 11.06.24 Year 4 Art Workshop
- 14.06.24 SEESMA Music Festival
- 17.06.24 School inset day
- 18.06.24 Police Virtual Roadshow with Year's 5 & 6

Dear Parents,

Well, it's been another busy couple of weeks, jam packed with activities, events and, of course, lots of learning and fun!

I would like to extend my thanks to all the parents and carers of all the children who will soon be our new Year 3's, who were able to attend our school tours over the past fortnight. It was an absolute delight to see their excited faces as they walked around and to see their new classrooms for next year. Please don't worry if you were unable to make it; if you call through to the school, we will be more than happy to answer any questions or concerns you may have and do all we can to ensure the smoothest transition possible for your children.

Next Friday, (28th June), we will be welcoming up the current Year 2's for a more formal visit to our school and we are very excited to see them all and for them to meet their new teachers and go through some expectations for next year as they transition into Year 3.

It's not just the newest members of the school who will be receiving a warm welcome next Friday, our current Year 3, 4 and 5's will also get to see their new teachers for next year and find out which class they will be in.

It's a busy but exciting time for all of us next week!

I hope you all have a lovely, restful weekend.

S. Townsley



### E-Safety

Please can we urge all parents/carers to talk to their children regarding their online activity, including WhatsApp and other messaging platforms. In today's digital age, having a positive online reputation is crucial for children. A good online reputation can open doors to opportunities, while a negative one can create challenges.

As children start to explore the internet, they may come across content that isn't suitable for their age, or that may upset or worry them. The NSPCC have got lots of advice to help you and your child if they have seen explicit or harmful content.

It is also important that children know the risks associated with sharing images and the outcomes that this may have for them going forward.

The following link provides lots of information to support you as parents / carers to help navigate this with your children. Talking to them at home will reinforce the work that we do in school to ensure that children are aware of the risks and dangers that can be incurred when exploring the internet.

[Inappropriate or explicit content | NSPCC](#)

Take a look at their [resources for supporting children](#) and understanding how they might feel if they see upsetting content.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Mrs Bainbridge

**DSL / SEND Manager**

### **Year 6 Residential to Mersea**

We are delighted to inform you that the Year 6 trip to Mersea Island was brilliant! Your children were a credit to you, behaving exceptionally well and thoroughly enjoying the experience. While they didn't go to bed early, it was all part of the fun. The food was delicious, with plenty of variety and quantity.

Mr Dean and Miss Tomlin even had a go on the giant swing, with the children eagerly helping to hoist them up and enjoying watching them be brave. The children demonstrated remarkable maturity in looking after themselves, washing, dressing, and preparing for activities such as archery, caving, low ropes, the giant swing, an adventure course, and kit cars.

Thank you for your support and for preparing the children so well for this memorable trip.

Mr Dean, Mrs Coleman, Mrs Jacobs, Mr Brown and Miss Tomlin

### **Year 3 Trip to Hyde Hall**

On Wednesday Year 3 completed their school trip to Hyde Hall. This trip linked to our Science topic Plants. During our visit we built bird nests, made our own helicopter fans, completed bark printing and observed different wildlife. We also had a lovely time exploring the gardens, where we got to smell and collect some samples of the beautiful flowers. We all thoroughly enjoyed the day!

### **Police Online Roadshow**

This week, Years 5 and 6 were lucky enough to be a part of a workshop run by Essex Police. The workshop lasted all day and consisted of important topics such as understanding what hate crimes and anti-social behaviours are, the importance of mental health and debunking the saying 'snitches get stitches' explaining how important speaking out is when something is wrong. We found this workshop very informative as it gave us important advice to keep ourselves safe.

### **Parent Maths Workshop**

Don't forget, our parent Maths workshop with a specialist education company is just around the corner on the following mornings 28th June, 5th July and 12th July. If you're interested, please could you let the office know.

### **Arts Week:**

During our yearly Arts Week, all the children had a wonderful time celebrating their creativity last week. Working with artist Jo Dyer from the Animate Arts Company, our Year 4 pupils explored a variety of new techniques as they created their own 3D still life out of cardboard. Year 5 had the opportunity to spend one morning creating multi-media pieces for World Ocean day with the Head of Art at Cornelius Vermuyden. West African drumming rhythms were taught to children by professional musician Hassan Lotfi from Essex Music Hub. The whole school was a hive of activity all week, from Year 3 using Quentin Blake's Matilda illustrations as inspiration to Year 5 exploring map drawings and Year 6 investigating the realm of shadows and making their own puppets. A selection of the children's amazing art work will be on display for you to view outside 3MD during open afternoon on the 9<sup>th</sup> July.

### **SEESMA Music Festival**

On Friday evening, it was an absolute pleasure to take our choir to the Cliffs Pavilion to watch them perform in this years SEESMA Concert. The concert was a testament to the hard work and passion our students have poured into their music this year. We are incredibly proud of their achievements. Thank you to all who attended and supported our choir. We look forward to many more beautiful performances in the future!

### **Kwik Cricket Competition**

On Wednesday 12th June, a team of 8 boys took part in a Kwik Cricket competition against other schools from the county. Every player had to bowl an over, which consisted of 8 balls and then everyone had a turn of batting. Our bowling and fielding throughout the competition was good and we got quite a few children out (This meant -5 to the oppositions' score) and we batted well scoring some 4's and 6's. Unfortunately, we didn't make it out of the group stage but children played well and had fun!

### **Attendance League**

Whole school attendance up until 21-06-2024 is 95.2%.

The classes with the best attendance for:

Week Beginning 10-06-2024 is

Lower School - **1st Place** - 4AL 97.6%  
Upper School - **1st Place** - 5BF 95.7%

Week Beginning 17-06-2024 is

Lower School - **1st Place** - 4AL 94%  
Upper School - **1st Place** - 5BF 92.5%