

CANVEY JUNIOR SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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## Reminders



- 04.04.25 Last day of term
- 22.04.25 First day of Summer term
- 22.04.25 Water Safety assembly from the Fire Service
- 23.04.25 Year 4 Colchester Caster trip
- 28.04.25 3MD Beach trip
- 29.04.25 3DS Beach trip

## Last 2 weeks at Canvey Junior School

- 02.04.25 Cross Country Competition
- 28.03.25 4LH Class Assembly
- 27.03.25 Year 5 Assessment week
- 21.03.25 6HF Class Assembly
- 19.03.25 Dodgeball Competition

Dear Parents,

The Easter holidays have finally arrived! We have had a brilliant couple of weeks here in school. However, I think the highlight was the April Fools Day joke we played on the children. Mr Dean made a pretend swimming pool out of mats and asked the children to try out different swimming strokes for the swimming Gala. After each class had had the opportunity to try out the 5 different strokes in front of the whole school, the teachers held up white boards telling the children it was a joke. They were not impressed and all us teachers received a very loud boo!!

I also want to say a huge well done on the Easter bonnets that were created. It was extremely difficult to judge as so much effort had been put into them. After much deliberation, the following children won an Easter Egg for their year group: Nevertheless, all participants received a chocolate Easter lolly. I look forward to seeing what competition our Team Captains come up with for next term.

Finally, I just want to remind you all to keep an eye on your children's social media activity over the Easter break as it is so easy for them to become embroiled in arguments or access inappropriate material that it is essential we keep a close eye. There are advice lines on our school website if you need any further information.

Have a lovely, relaxing Easter and I look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

S. Townsley



## E-Safety

According to Ofcom, 90% of children are watching online videos and browsing the internet regularly. Children may love to stream videos and look up information, it's a fun way to learn and relax after all but they must be guided. The e-space is filled with inappropriate content and dangerous material. It is important that parents and even teachers, are able to steer their pupils and youngsters, towards the right places when online. Internet Matters has published a guide dedicated to supporting adults in setting digital boundaries for children, so that they can make smart choices and build healthy online habits. In the Internet Matters guide you'll find practical tips on managing content access, the use of safety controls, advice on setting boundaries and ways to educate children on how to stay secure online. If interested please follow the link below:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/by-activity/watching-and-browsing-online-a-parents-guide/>

## Netball

On Monday, the girls played their final league game and what a match it was! They secured an impressive 14-1 victory, completing a perfect run by winning all four of their league games. This outstanding performance earned them first place, crowning them as champions of the girls' league. Congratulations to the girls on this remarkable achievement and a huge thank you to all the parents and carers for their unwavering support throughout the season.

## Cross Country County Finals

At the end of February, CJS took part in the Castle Point and Rochford Cross Country competition. Following that event, Alana from year 6, qualified for the County Finals where she was going to compete against all the best runners in the county. On Wednesday, Alana took part in her race against over a hundred other competitors and despite a few nerves, did extremely well. She had already accomplished a massive achievement by qualifying for the County Finals and should feel great pride in sprinting to finish the race in 65<sup>th</sup> place.

## Canvey Cross Country

On Thursday, CJS took part in the Canvey Cross Country event at Castle View School against other primary schools on the island. The children were delighted that the weather was dry and warm in comparison to the last cross country event and ran confidently in their races. We had lots of children finish in medalling positions, but everyone should feel proud of how they ran their individual races. After tallying up all the scores, CJS finished in an overall team position of 2nd. Well done to everyone who took part.

## Operation Encompass

## Mother's Day

Yesterday, we sent a letter to all parents regarding Operation Encompass, the national scheme that operates jointly between education settings and police forces to support and safeguard children. Information on this scheme can be found using the link below and we are always here if you would like to speak with us further.

[www.operationencompass.org](http://www.operationencompass.org)

What a wonderful site it was to see all the children leave with their Mother's Day gifts last week. The children put a lot of effort into a variety of activities such as: writing cards, creating poems, decorating bags etc, and we hope the recipients of these creations had a lovely day.

We would like to extend our appreciation to Mrs Bailey and all of the volunteers who came into to our school and help the children create their magical gifts!

## Canvey Junior School Reads!



In this school year, students have read...

**3,336 Books**

**16,315,273 Words**

**for 9 minutes/day!**

(individual student average)

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## Reading

As you know, we have a big push on reading at Canvey Juniors and we are on a quest to ensure every child has the skills and the passion to read for pleasure.

As you will see this year, we have already collectively read 3336 books and we show no signs of slowing down! As a school, the children have already read 70 books this month and we are only 4 days in!

## Attendance League

Whole school attendance up until 04-04-2025 is 95%.

The classes with the best attendance for:

Week Beginning 24-03-2025 is

Lower School - **1st Place** - 96.9% - 4PK

Upper School - **1st Place** - 98%—6MC

Week Beginning 31-03-2025 is

Lower School - **1st Place** - 97.1% - 4LH

Upper School - **1st Place** - 97.6% - 5AC