

CANVEY JUNIOR SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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## Reminders



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| 10/03/26 | Girls Netball Match— away      |
| 11/03/26 | Netball Tournament             |
| 13/03/26 | Mother's Day creations         |
| 16/03/26 | Year 3 & 6 Assessment week     |
| 20/03/26 | Odd Socks Day for Red Nose Day |
| 20/03/26 | Red Nose Day live dance        |

## Last 2 weeks at Canvey Junior School

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| 06/03/26   | World Book Day Dress up   |
| 04/03/25   | Houses of Parliament Trip |
| 04/03/26   | Cross Country Competition |
| 03/03/26   | Mixed Netball Match       |
| 27/02/2026 | Boys Football mMatch      |

Dear Parents,

It was lovely to see all the children dressed in their World Book Day costumes on Friday. Once again, I want to say a huge thank you to all our parents who managed to scramble around and source these outfits in time for the day, I know this is never easy but every year the effort and imagination that goes into these costumes always brings a smile to my face; I don't know how you do it!

As ever, another busy two weeks in school with sporting events and not to mention our amazing trip to the Houses of Parliament which was fantastic. Some very tired children (and teachers) following a fact-filled busy day.

In the mornings, please can I remind parents that children must wait for the school gate to open before coming onto the playground as there are no members of staff out there before 8:30am and Mr Purser may not have yet carried out his early morning safety checks and we want to ensure everyone remains safe.

I hope you all have an enjoyable week.

Mrs Townsley



### E-Safety Spotlight: Wake Up Wednesday – Encouraging a Love of Reading Online

This week's *Wake Up Wednesday* focuses on a wonderful theme: using technology safely to inspire reading habits at home and in school. With so many books, audiobooks and reading apps available online, it's important for children to explore these resources confidently and safely.

The guide shares simple ways families can boost reading for pleasure - such as choosing age-appropriate apps together, setting up safe browsing filters and exploring digital libraries designed just for children. It also highlights the importance of talking openly about what children read online, helping them recognise trustworthy sites and balancing screen time with quiet reading moments.

Encouraging reading doesn't just build vocabulary - it strengthens imagination and wellbeing. With the right e-safety steps in place, the digital world can be a brilliant place for young readers to grow.

### **Young Carers**

As a school we are aware that a number of children are considered to be 'Young Carers', if you feel that this is the case for your child please complete the slip on the letter sent home last week and return to Mrs Bainbridge at the school.

Mrs Bainbridge is the school 'Young Carers Champion' and will be happy to make any referrals and offer support.

We have also started a 'Young Carers Drop In' this will take place every Wednesday lunchtime in the Star Room, it is an opportunity for our Young Carers to come together.

### **Sustainability**

As part of our focus on **sustainability**, students at Canvey Junior School have been learning about how to take care of our planet. One important area we've been exploring is the **three Rs: Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle**. Through fun activities and discussions, students are discovering how small, everyday choices can make a big difference for the environment.

### **Netball**

The girls' netball team had a fantastic match against Leigh Beck Junior School this week, securing an incredible 8-0 victory! The team played with great determination, teamwork and resilience throughout the game, showing excellent skill and sportsmanship from start to finish. We are so proud of their effort, positive attitude and the way they represented our school so brilliantly. Well done, girls!

### **Music**

Our school recently had a wonderful musical assembly with the recorder quartet *Palisander*. They introduced the children to a variety of recorders, explaining the differences between each one, from the smaller, higher-pitched instruments to the larger, deeper-sounding ones. The musicians demonstrated how each recorder produces its own unique tone and then performed a number of different songs to showcase their sound, including 1000 year old music from Greece and modern day musical scores from *Harry Potter*. The children were fully engaged throughout the performance and clearly enjoyed the lively music and interactive presentation. If you would like to know more about the recorder quartet or the musical company that organises the school visits please click on the following weblink. <https://www.saffronhall.com/take-part/palisander-saffron-music-live>



### **Attendance League**

Whole school attendance up until 06/03/26 is 96%.

The classes with the best attendance for:

Week Beginning 02/02/2026 is

Lower School -1st Place - 4PK – 97.6%

Upper School - 1st Place - 6JB – 100%

Week Beginning 02/03/2026 is

Lower School -1st Place - 3DS – 99%

Upper School - 1st Place - 5AC & 6JB – 98.7%