

CANNON PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week, our football team played their first game, away at Spon Gate Primary. Although the result didn't go their way, Mrs Amphlett and Mr Beech were very impressed with the positive attitude of the children and the teamwork value strongly on display. After a difficult first half, the team rallied and won the second half 1-0. We're always proud of our children when they represent the school and it was no different on this occasion. Well done, everyone, and particular thanks to Mr Beech for your coaching, and to Mrs Amphlett and Miss Tremain for your organisation.

Have a relaxing weekend,

Mr Ray

Dates for your diary

When	Who	What
Friday 21 st March	Whole School	Red Nose Day / Citizenship Day
Monday 24 th March	Selected Pupils	Home Game against Eastern Green (3.30pm start)
Tuesday 25 th March	Year 4	Times Tables Parent Meeting in the Hall (3pm start)
Thursday 27 th March	Year 3	Compton Verney Trip
Friday 28 th March	Reception Class	Mothers' Day Craft Event (2:45 start)
Wednesday 2 nd April	Year 3/4	Y3/4 Performance to parents (5pm start)
Monday 7 th April	Reception & Y6	Heights and Weights
Tuesday 8 th April	Whole School	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 9 th April	Whole School	Easter Celebration Meal
Thursday 10 th April	Whole School	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 6 th May	Whole School	Class Photo Day
Friday 23 rd May	Whole School	Spring Fair

Letters sent home this week

Year Group(s)	Regarding
Year 4	Times Tables Check & Meeting Letter
Year 3 & 4	Performance Letter

British Science Week

This week, the children have enjoyed taking part in extra science activities as part of British Science Week. We must express our thanks to Sally Spicer from the University of Warwick, for spending time with our children in Reception, engaging them in science from an early age. Thank you to the many children, who entered our science competition. Mrs Nagra will be announcing the winners on Monday.

Red Nose Day

Don't forget, next Friday, children are welcome to wear their own clothes (maybe something red?) for Red Nose Day. During the afternoon, children will be putting on their own *Enterprise Stalls* to raise money – *all stalls will be 20p so send your child in with some 20p coins please*. Red noses can be purchased in school on Thursday 13th March - £2.50 each in cash please.

Term Dates

Our term dates for 2025/2026 have been published on our website today. You can also find them on this newsletter.

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Spring Fair - Friday 23rd May

Come and join us for our Cannon Park Spring Fair at 1.30pm on Friday, 23rd May! This fun-filled event will feature a variety of activities, including games, food stalls and our every popular tombola. It's a perfect opportunity to enjoy the beautiful spring weather and will also be a chance to explore our newly developed forest area. All money raised will go towards further enhancing our forest area, benefiting our pupils and curriculum. If you are interested in buying a table for the event (£10) or helping with the organisation, please speak to Mrs Amphlett or Mr Higgs. More details to follow.

FREE Cricket Sessions

Warwickshire Cricket Foundation are offering some **FREE** cricket coaching sessions at Westwood Academy on Thursday evenings. The sessions are open to boys and girls between 8 - 15 years. This is an exciting opportunity to try a new sport in your local community. For more information, please contact evieharrison@edgbaston.com.



Eat them to Defeat them!

We have had a great week promoting fruit and vegetables during lunch time, with Jo from OCS coming in on Wednesday to hand out pots of fresh veg for the children to try to encourage healthy eating. Well done to everyone and a big thank you to Amaya and James who volunteered through lunch time to hand out stickers!



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Celebrating our Learning

Reception

What a wonderful week of learning the children have had in Reception! We have learnt two more new sounds 'igh' and 'oa', and to support our learning with this we have enjoyed so many fun activities. We used torches to create light in a dark den, we learnt about animals that come out at night and created stick puppets, and we created boats which we then took outside to see if they would float. We even used our writing skills to write about a goat in a boat! We always love seeing the children recreating our phonics lessons with each other too. There are definitely some children that will make amazing teachers one day! Our focus book this week has been *Dear Zoo* and the children had fun creating their own props to re-tell the story. The children decided that they wanted to create a stage area to perform their story, so we went outside and let the children take the lead on this. What a fantastic stage they made! It was amazing to see the confidence many of the children displayed when re-telling the story in front of the whole class. They have even enjoyed showing off their dance skills on the stage too! They worked so well together, and we were really proud to see so much teamwork going on! The children have also enjoyed science week, especially a visit from Sally the Scientist from Warwick University. The children were fully engaged in the activities she set up for them.

At home, we would love for you and your child to share some stories together as we will continue to focus of storytelling and comprehension. Once you have read a book together, ask your child some questions to check their understanding.

Well done, Reception! We are incredibly proud of you all. Miss Swain and Miss Roberts



Year 1

In English, we started the week by following a set of instructions to make a jam sandwich. The best part was that we got to eat them! We have since sequenced the instructions, used time adverbials *first*, *next* and *then*, and explored the features of a set of instructions. This has been a nice introduction to our new topic, where we will be learning how to write our own set of instructions on how to look after a dinosaur, inspired by a book of the same name. In maths, we also started a new unit: Place Value to 50.

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This week, we have been expanding our knowledge of tens and ones to understand the value of numbers more than 20. We have been making groups of ten to make counting large numbers easier. The majority of the class have found this concept tricky so any additional support at home would be greatly beneficial e.g., I have 3 groups of ten and 4 ones/more. I have 34 altogether. This is best practised with a picture of the tens and ones alongside. This week was British Science Week, and the theme was 'change and adapt'. As part of it, we enjoyed a live lesson from a Science Farm where we met real life farmers Ruby and Lutfi who they taught us how to be 'change champions'. We met lots of animals, answered some questions about animals and sustainability, did some dancing and earned our *Biodiversity Buddy*, *Energy Expert* and *Waste Warrior* badges. This was lovely because it linked to our current science topic about animals. It was also really interesting and we were given loads of tips on how to be more sustainable with energy and food, and how to look after the biodiversity of areas. We also played some games about seasons and animal habitats. In RE, we recapped our learning on Abrahamic Worldviews from last week. Miss Delargy and I were very impressed that the class remembered all of the key information! We then explored the story *The Ark of Nuh* as told in *My First Qur'an*. We learned how to show respect to a Qur'an and the important things you need to do before you can touch and read one. We then compared this story with the story *Noah's Ark* as told in the Christian Bible and Jewish Torah. We found more similarities than differences, which linked back to last week's learning that all three religious texts have similar stories. It was so lovely to see the Muslim experts in the room share their lived experiences with a Qur'an to the rest of the class. As always, the children continue to impress us with their phonics skills. Keep practising! Have a lovely weekend and we'll see you next week. Miss Brett, Miss Delargy, Miss Bullock, Miss French and Miss Dangi



Year 2

Year 2 have had an enjoyable and amazing week of learning whilst continuing to show all of the school values in what they do. In our English lessons, the children have enjoyed a short film about space called 'The Way Back Home'. The story focuses on a young boy who builds himself a rocket and sends himself off to Space. However, his spaceship breaks down and he meets a friendly alien who has broken down too. Then the boy comes up with an idea of how to help them both get back home. On Tuesday the children had great fun making their own junk-model space rockets like the boy in the film. It was fantastic to see all the different types of rockets they all made and the enjoyment the children showed whilst making them. On Friday, the children had the chance to draw their own alien and write a short description based on what their alien looked like. In our maths lessons this week, the children have been learning about length and height. We started by using a range of different measuring tools such as cubes, rulers and metres sticks to help us measure a range of different things around the classroom. We have also practised drawing and measuring lines in centimetres with a ruler and finding things in the classroom that are greater or less than a metre. We spoke about how we need to make sure that we start at zero when we measure. To help at home, please could you continue to practise using a ruler and talk about other measurements – millimetres, metres and kilometres.

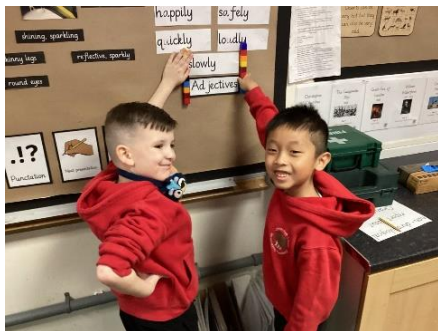
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It has also been British Science Week this week based on a theme of 'change and adapt'. The class have taken part in a live lesson where we met two farmers Ruby and Lutfi. We joined the family on a family walk to help look after their animals and we learnt how they fight climate change on the farm. The children really enjoyed looking at the range of animals on the farm and taking part in a range of different virtual challenges of how to be champion challengers themselves such as biodiversity buddies, energy experts and waste warriors. On Tuesday as scientists the children were given the challenge of how would they protect their egg, which was in a plastic bag, from breaking when it was dropped from a height. The children were given a range of different materials from cotton wool, fabric and bubble wrap. It was brilliant to see the children using their imagination with how they would best cover the egg, and which material would be the best to use. The children had great fun dropping their eggs and seeing whether their eggs had cracked. Many thanks for your continued help. Have a lovely weekend! Miss Softic and Mrs Akthar



Year 3

It has been another busy week of exciting learning in Year 3. As it has been British Science Week, we joined a BBC live lesson featuring astronaut Tim Peake. He told us all about how astronauts adapt to life in space, including what they eat and even how they go to the toilet! As scientists, we had a great afternoon finding out about what happens when the Earth's ice melts. We started the lesson, finding out lots of facts about ice, including the temperature at which water freezes, the difference between land and sea ice, and where ice is found on Earth. Our knowledge of the polar regions from our geography lesson helped with this. We saw pictures showing the changes of ice in the North Pole from 1979 to now. Then, we investigated the impact the melting ice can have on sea levels. We used two cups of water, one to show sea ice, and the other mimicked land with a cylinder of clay.

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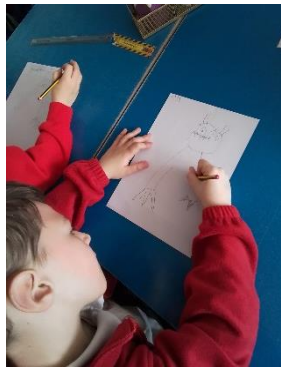
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When ice cubes were placed on both, we made our predictions about which 'sea level' will rise. Surprisingly, the melting of the sea ice did not increase sea levels, but land ice did. We ended the lesson discussing ways in which we can help slow down global warming.

During our English lessons, we practised how we can use inverted commas to show speech in story writing. We also learned a technique we can use to build our paragraphs using the acronym – DASH. As mathematicians, we have learned how to find fractions on scales and number lines. During our RE lesson, we learned about how ideas about Allah are represented in Islamic art and architecture. This week, we also took part in a Waterstones virtual school event with author Jamie Hammond as he talked about his new book Grumpfort. We participated in a draw along with Jamie and have started to read his book in class. Rehearsals of our play are also underway, and all the children are working so hard on remembering their parts, dances and songs! We are so proud of you all. Mrs Nagra, Mrs Murphy and Miss Williams



Year 4

It has been Science Week in school this week. On Monday, we enjoyed a BBC Live lesson with Tim Peake, the British astronaut. The children found out what life is like on the International Space Station: what you eat in space; how you exercise in space; and how do you use the toilet! On Wednesday afternoon, the children carried out an exciting experiment in which we tried to make a plastic sandwich bag pop! We put warm water and vinegar together into the bag and then added some bicarbonate of soda. A chemical reaction then took place that released carbon dioxide into the bag. As more carbon dioxide was released, the bag expanded and then popped when the pressure got too much. In our English lessons, the children worked in groups to write the script for our upcoming performance. Each group wrote a scene. We then cast the play with each child getting at least one part. At the end of the week, we started to rehearse it in the hall. To help at home, please can you support your child to learn their lines. In our maths lessons, we have continued our learning on decimal numbers. As geographers, the class learnt about the location of major European cities and the major rivers that they have been developed around. Next week is our last swimming lesson and the children will be learning how to stay safe in the water in an emergency.

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Next Friday, we will be supporting Comic Relief, and all the children have been working together to organise small fundraising stalls. Please can you discuss with your child what they have agreed to bring in for their group's stall. Well done, Year 4 - a great week and lots to look forward to in the weeks ahead.

Mr Kelley, Mrs Amphlett, Miss Dangi and Miss Duffy



Year 5

Year 5 have had a great week of learning. In English, we have been finding out the difference between direct and reported speech, ready for writing newspaper articles next week. We have been identifying standard and non-standard English, practising noun, which sentences and making sure we use the correct verb tense. We also watched a short film to inspire us to write complex sentences. In maths, we have been learning about percentages and finding their equivalent decimals and fractions. We enjoyed some outdoor learning, finding decimal numbers outside and writing their equivalent fractions and percentages. In history, we have been finding out how and why the pyramids were built in Ancient Egypt. Having watched video clips and doing their own research, the children created a fact file about pyramids. We also went outside and used a trundle wheel to see how wide and tall the pyramids were. We actually ran out of space for the width! It has been Science Week this week. As well as taking part in the school science competition, the children had a great time in their science lesson, launching mice into space! The challenge was to make a mouse from a card template and launch it like a rocket using a 2 litre milk bottle. By squeezing the bottle with a lot of force, the mice flew into the air. Some of them hit the ceiling! Then the children watched a BBC live lesson all about space. Year 5 have been busy making preparations for Citizenship Afternoon next week. They will be bringing home a slip letting you know what they need to bring in. Thank you for your support. Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Aston, Mrs Reihill and Miss Cleveland



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Year 6

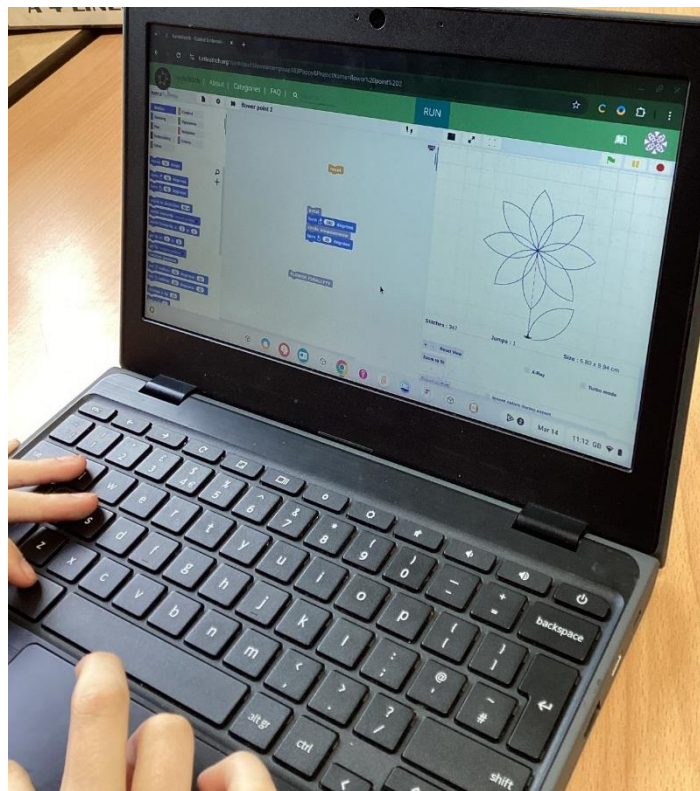
As writers this week, the children have been learning how to write an effective setting by creating atmosphere. We used *The Hobbit* as inspiration and specifically a piece of descriptive writing about the mysterious Mirkwood forest which the main characters travelled through. To achieve the desired outcomes, the class studied examples of vocabulary straight from the text and learnt about pathetic fallacy – the idea of giving human emotions to non-human things such as the weather. I was so impressed by what the children had created and believe that their work would fit in wonderfully in the novel itself.

As mathematicians, the class were reintroduced to area and perimeter of rectilinear shapes. They learnt to identify the area as the space within a 2D shape through the rule width x length and began to solve reasoning questions to further their understanding. The children were then taught how to identify the area of triangular shapes by multiplying its base by its height then dividing the answer by 2 - they also discovered that the area of a triangle was simply half of a rectangle - well done, everyone!

In geography, the children were learning about droughts and discovering when and why they might occur. They were then tasked with exploring the wider impact of droughts too including social and economic challenges such as agriculture, trade and forced migration.

Within computing this week, the children continued working on their TurtleStitch embroidery patterns. The children were shown how to duplicate their designs so that they could copy them onto a single piece of felt whilst others were exploring the idea of including other designs onto their patterns including hearts and bows. It was wonderful to see the children so enthusiastic about their code and we hope they'll translate to a physical piece of embroidery very soon.

What a fantastic week everyone! I hope you have a brilliant weekend. Mr Young and Mrs Kailey





Our Achievers for the week ending 14th March 2025



Our Stars of the w/e 14th March 2025



Reception - Romeo

Year 2 - Tevez

Year 3 - Jesse

Year 4 - George

Year 5 - Thinh

Year 6 - Acadia



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**EAT THEM
TO DEFEAT THEM
2025**

Perfect Attendance



**Attendance Chart
w/e 14/03/25**

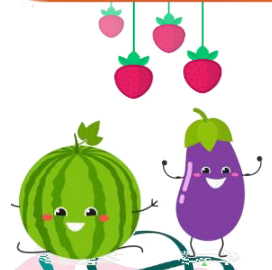
Year	Percentage
1 st	4 97.3%
2 nd	2&3 97%
3 rd	5 96.9%
4 th	1 96%
5 th	6 94.1%
6 th	R 92.8%

Fantastic!



**Attendance
Superstars**

**Well Done
Year 4!**



Amazing!

**Well
DONE!**



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Dear Parent and Carers,

We shall be providing a special 'Easter' menu for the whole school on Wednesday 9th April 2025.

Main Choices will be:

Roast Turkey
Or
Cheesy Pinwheel Nest
With
Roasty Potatoes & Fresh Greens

Dessert

Easter Cup Cakes
or a
Hot Cross Bun!



This is an ideal opportunity for your child to try a school lunch and see what great value for money they represent. If you wish your child to take part, simply log onto MCAS and give permission by Monday 31st March, the cost is only **£2.45** for KS2 or **free** for KS1!

If you require the vegetarian choice, please inform the school before Monday 31st March.

Thank you.



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Clubs Spring Term 2025

Start Date	Day	Activity	Year Groups	Led by	Cost
13 th Jan	Monday 3:30 – 4:30	Lego Club	Y2-6	Vicky from Cre8fun	£5 per class
	Monday 12:30 – 1:00	Spanish	Y1-3	Joy from Bilingua Sing	£4.50 per class
	Monday 3:30 – 4:30	Football	Y4-6	Mr Beech	£10 per term
14 th Jan	Tuesday 3:30 – 4:30	Football	Y2/3	Mr Beech	£10 per term
	Tuesday 3:30 – 4:30	Netball	Y4-6	Miss Bullock	£10 per term
	Tuesday 8:00 – 8:45	Dance	Y2-6	Liz Wison Dance	£60 per term
15 th Jan	Wednesday 8:00 – 8:45	Badminton	Y3-6	Miss Bullock	£10 per term
	Wednesday 3:30 – 4:30	Games	Y1/2	Mr Beech	£10 per term
16 th Jan	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Hockey	Y4-6	Mr Beech	£10 per term
	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Ball Skills	YR-2	Mr Beech	£10 per term
16 th Jan	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Arts & Crafts	R-2	Vicky from Cre8fun	£5 per class
16 th Jan	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Art Club	3-6	Mrs Murphy	£10 per term
Music Lessons offered during the school day:					
	Thursday	Drum Lessons	Years 2 – 6	Coventry Music Service	£17.90 to £49.50 per month, depending on frequency of lessons and group or individual lessons Contact Coventry Music Service for more information

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Term Dates 2024/2025

Autumn Term (2024)

Monday 2 nd September	INSET Day
Tuesday 3 rd September	First day of term
Friday 25 th October	INSET Day
Monday 28 th October to Friday 1 st November	Half Term
Monday 4 th November	Children return to school
Friday 20 th December	Last day of term
Monday 23 rd December to Friday 3 rd January	Christmas Holidays

Spring Term (2025)

Monday 6 th January	INSET Day
Tuesday 7 th January	First day of term
Monday 17 th February to Friday 21 st February	Half Term
Monday 24 th February	Children return to school
Friday 11 th April	Last day of term
Monday 14 th April to Friday 25 th April	Easter Holidays

Summer Term (2025)

Monday 28 th April	First day of term
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 26 th May to Friday 30 th May	Half Term
Monday 2 nd June	INSET Day
Tuesday 3 rd June	Children return to school
Friday 18 th July	Last day of term
Monday 21 st July	INSET Day

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Monday 1 st September	INSET Day
Tuesday 2 nd September	INSET Day
Wednesday 3 rd September	First day of term
Monday 27 th October to Friday 31 st October	Half Term
Monday 3 rd November	Children return to school
Friday 19 th December	Last day of term
Monday 22 nd December to Friday 2 nd January	Christmas Holidays

Spring Term (2026)

Monday 5 th January	INSET Day
Tuesday 6 th January	First day of term
Monday 16 th February to Friday 20 th February	Half Term
Monday 23 rd February	Children return to school
Friday 27 th March	Last day of term
Monday 30 th March to Friday 10 th April	Easter Holidays

Summer Term (2026)

Monday 13 th April	First day of term
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 25 th May to Friday 29 th May	Half Term
Monday 1 st June	INSET Day
Tuesday 2 nd June	Children return to school
Friday 17 th July	Last day of term
Monday 20 th July	INSET Day