

CANNON PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Issue Number 27 – Friday 17th April 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! It has been lovely to see everyone back in school this week. Attendance has been extremely strong: being in school every day makes a huge difference. I have been so impressed with how well the children have settled back into their positive learning routines, and I am particularly proud of how well the children have welcomed in a number of new children into week. Our children are kind, caring and welcoming, which was the focus of my assembly this week.

Have an enjoyable weekend,

Mr Ray

*Each week, we share a new word with the children to develop their vocabulary.
Could you use it at home this weekend?*

Word of the Week	flourishing
Definition	growing strongly, looking healthy, and doing well
Synonyms	thriving, growing, blossoming

Dates for your diary

When	Who	What
Tuesday 21 st April	Year 5	Trip to Planetarium at Warwick University
Friday 1 st May	Whole School	Non-uniform day for fair donations
Thursday 21 st May	Whole School	Class Photographs
Thursday 21 st May	Whole School	Menu Change for Census Day available to all KS1 (Please see the bottom of this newsletter)
Friday 22 nd May	Whole School	Spring Fair (Afternoon)
25 th May to 29 th May	Whole School	Half Term Holiday
Thursday 18 th June 2026	Whole School	Sports Day (Morning)
Friday 17 th July 2026	Whole School	Last day of the school year
Thursday 3 rd September	Whole School	First day of the new school year

Letters sent home this week

Year Group(s)	Regarding
Year 5	Planetarium Visit
Interested Year 6	Mindfulness Sessions

Non-Uniform Day

On Friday 22nd May, we will be hosting our Spring Fair. In preparation for this we are having a non-uniform day on Friday 1st May. In return for wearing non-uniform, we are asking for donations of items for the fair. Please could Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 bring a flat bar of chocolate (e.g. kitkats, dairy milk etc) and could Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 bring an unopened bottle (e.g. shampoo, fizzy drink, wine). These items will be used on 'lob-a-choc' and the bottle tombola to raise funds for our school. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, please speak to Mrs Amphlett.

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Extra-Curricular Clubs

The following school-run clubs will resume next week. Please remember that all after-school clubs end at 4:30 and children must be collected at this time or booked into ClubsComplete.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Football with Mr Ray	Netball with Miss Bullock	Badminton with Miss Bullock	Tennis with Miss Bullock Debate Club with Mrs Amphlett

Junior PCSOs

This term, a group of Year 5/6 children are taking part in a Junior PCSO project, led by two of our Coventry PCSOs. They will be doing a number of activities in and around school. You might even see them with a speed camera or checking for sensible parking during drop-off/pick-up. Thank you to Mrs Amphlett for organising this opportunity for the children.



Celebrating our Learning Reception

What a fantastic week of learning the children have had in Reception this week! We have enjoyed reading the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and have been engaged in so many exciting activities to support our learning. We have turned our reading corner into a castle, and we really enjoyed working as a team to create this! We practised sequencing and re-telling the story in small groups and showed so much confidence performing our stories to the rest of the class. We constructed enormous beanstalks out of paper and numbered the leaves to support our counting to 20 and number bonds to 10. The children also blew us away with the teamwork they showed in creating a castle together outside! During phonics we have learnt two new sounds this week, *ur* and *ow* and have practised reading and writing tricky words *are* and *we*. The children amaze us each day with how independent they are becoming with their writing. We have even started to write at tables as a whole class each day, just like the children in Year 1 do! We have continued our 'word of the week' throughout the school this week, and the children were amazing at remembering the word 'flourishing' and explaining it's meaning.

At home, it would be helpful if you could practice your child's number formation with them. Support them with making sure their numerals are the right way round. They could use pencils, crayons, chalk on the pavement, or even water on a paint brush when its dry outside!

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

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Year 1

What a lovely first week back! This week in Year 1, we have been very busy with our learning! In English, we are reading *The Tiger Who Came to Tea*. On Monday, we were given some clues and had to guess the story and had a tea party, which was lots of fun. Since then, we have sequenced the story, used adjectives to describe the character of the tiger, and practised writing sentences using a capital letter at the beginning and a full stop at the end. Next week, we will continue to practise these skills before planning our own versions of the story, titled *The ... Who Came to Tea*. We can't wait to see what variations we will have! In maths, we have been learning about volume and capacity, expanding our measurement knowledge by measuring and comparing the capacity of different containers and the volume inside them. We have used mathematical language such as greater and smaller, and used different units (cubes, water, sand) and different sized containers to help us. In science, we started an exciting new topic on plants. On Monday, we learned how to plant a seed and what it needs to grow, and we took our seeds home so we can use our scientific enquiry skills to observe how they grow over time. In RE, we began our topic on Islam, exploring the question *What does God mean to people with Muslim worldviews?* We learned that there are 99 Beautiful Names for Allah and explored some of their meanings, with our Muslim experts in the room teaching us so much. In Computing, we are continuing our work on grouping data, and on Friday we learned how to group objects based on their properties, group similar objects in more than one way, and count how many objects share a property. As always, the class are working hard on their phonics and their reading, and we ask that they keep this up as it is really shining through in every aspect of their learning! We hope you all have a wonderful weekend, and we look forward to seeing you on Monday. Miss Brett and Miss Delargy

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Year 2

It has been a lovely first week back in Year 2 and to see everyone back again after the holidays. The children have settled back in really quickly and have done lots of fun learning during the week. 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. During our phase two lesson, the children created both their own alien and character. After they had drawn them, they wrote a short paragraph to describe what they looked like using adjectives, adverbs and conjunctions.

In maths, the class have continued their learning on measurement. This week they have been introduced to measuring in both millilitres and litres. We spoke about how we need to look at the scale of the containers as it would help us see how much liquid is inside. Also, we focused on temperature by looking at reading the temperature on a thermometer using a range of different scales and comparing temperature using the four operations to solve a range of different questions. Next week we will starting our new topic on fractions looking at introducing parts and whole as well as equal and unequal parts. As scientists, we have looked at the effect exercise has on your body. We learnt that exercise has many benefits for us such as improving our sleep, helping to build stronger muscles, having a healthy heart and improving our concentration. As a class, we took part in an investigation to see the impact of exercise on our breathing and our heart rate. We found out that the breathing and our heart rate was most increased by running on the spot. As geographers this week, we have been learning about what life is like in the desert.

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We created a fact file to explore how people live in desert environments, including what they wear and how their clothing helps them stay cool and protected from the sun. We also talked about the people who live in the desert and how they adapt to the hot, dry conditions. Well done, Year 2, for a fantastic start to the summer term. We hope you have a wonderful weekend and we will see you all back on Monday. Miss Softic and Mrs Akthar



Year 3

Year 3 have kicked off their first week back after the holidays with great energy and enthusiasm. On Tuesday, there were some rather peculiar happenings in our classroom as we discovered slime and lily pads all over our tables and floor! Miss Roberts had googled the strange events and discovered that our city had been invaded by flying frogs during the night! Did you see them? It was a strange coincidence as our new book for our writing lessons is 'Tuesday' by David Wiesner, which tells the story of frogs levitating and causing mischief in a city. We will be writing recounts based on the events next week. As mathematicians, we started our learning on capacity and volume and found out the difference between the terms. We measured volume using litres and millilitres, compared them and then found equivalent volumes and capacities.

During our new geography topic, we took a virtual visit to Egypt. Using globes and atlases, we located where it is, what its capital is and named some bordering countries. Over the coming weeks, we will discover why the River Nile is so famous. Our games lesson, this week, was based on the skills required in tennis and we learned what the 'ready position' is and practised a bounce catch which helped us aim the ball 'over the net'. As scientists, we investigated how shadows change according to the position of the sun. By drawing and measuring the shadows we made at different times of the day, we discovered that when the sun is high in the sky, shadows are shorter and when the sun appears low on the horizon, the shadows are longer. Well done, Year 3. Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Nagra and Miss Roberts



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Year 4

It was lovely to welcome all the children back to school this week and to hear about what they'd been up to over the Easter break. In our English lessons this week, we have enjoyed the book 'Arthur and the Golden Rope', which will be the basis of our writing over the next couple of weeks. The children have written some super character descriptions of Arthur, developed their use of inverted commas for dialogue and used prepositional phrases to start a sentence. In our maths lessons, we have continued our learning on decimals. The children learnt to partition decimals flexibly; compared two decimal numbers, deciding which is the greater; ordered sets of decimal numbers; rounded decimals to the nearest whole number; and halved and quartered decimal numbers. Next week in maths, the class will be learning about decimals in the context of money. As geographers, the children used atlases to locate the main European capital cities and also considered what the main geographical features of a capital city are. On Tuesday afternoon, we had a very 'noisy' science lesson! The children used different electrical components to build a circuit including a buzzer. In computing, the children started a new unit on computer programming using Scratch software. In PSHE, the children discussed how we need to care for the world around us and in RE, they considered whether all world views are aligned with an organized world view. A reminder on PE lessons – this term **PE will on Mondays and Fridays**. A great first week back – well done, Year 4. Mr Kelley, Mrs Amphlett, Miss Dangi and Mrs Cleveland



Year 5

It has been lovely seeing all the children back after the Easter holidays. Year 5 have settled back to their learning very well and are showing excellent teamwork, working with their new learning partners. In maths, we have enjoyed some outdoor learning this week. We practised 24-hour time and carried out a scavenger hunt outside, following clues about telling the time. Using our knowledge, we practised how to read bus and train timetables. We have also been finding out about different turns and angles. In English, we enjoyed watching 'The Ridge' and have used this to inspire our writing this week. The children have wowed us with amazing vocabulary, writing descriptions, figurative language and writing from a different viewpoint. In science, we started finding out about lifecycles. We thought about the different stages of a lifecycle and learnt that not all animals have the same lifecycle and that lifecycles are not all the same length of time. In RE, we are reading stories from ancient sacred texts. This week, we listened to the story of Noah's Ark and the Divali story. In Spanish this week, we have been practising listening to and identifying numbers to 31. This week, we began our new geography topic, 'Why should the rainforest be important to us?' We learnt that the world is made up of different biomes, which each have their own, climate, landscape, vegetation and wildlife. We completed our own maps to show the locations of different biomes in the world and found out about the characteristics of each biome.

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On Friday, we began our health and fitness programme, *Joy of moving*, with Sky Blues in the Community. This involved a mixture of learning about keeping ourselves healthy and taking part in physical activities to improve our fitness. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. What a great first week back, Year 5 have had! Just a reminder that homework has been set for this week on LBQ and Spelling Shed. Mrs Aston, Mrs Reihill and Mrs Cleveland



Year 6

As writers this week, the children have been creating short narratives inspired by the recent Artemis II launch which saw four astronauts successfully complete a fly-by of the moon for the first time in over fifty years. The children watched the launch to get a better understanding of the thrust required to leave the earth's atmosphere and gravitational pull and then they decided on how to go about telling their version of events in a fictional way. Some children chose to write a 1st person perspective of the launch whilst others focussed on describing the immense power of the spacecraft's rocket boosters. It was a fun piece of writing to complete for our first week back.

As mathematicians, the class have been exploring a range of concepts linked to statistics. They have learnt how to interpret line graphs, bar charts and pie charts to understand how information can be presented. The children even applied their statistical skills within their computing lesson where they carried out a dice game with complete freedom of how they could record their data – no group recorded their scores in the same way which was fantastic to see.

As scientists, the children have begun their new topic centred around light. This week, the children learnt how a periscope works and built their own. They discovered that the mirrors needed to be exactly 45° for it to reflect the light in the direction that was needed. The children also learnt that the slightly textured surface of the mirror-like patches that they used did not reflect the light very well and warped and obscured their view.

Within PSHE, the children were completing their very own SATs self-help guides. The children thought about a range of themes that others might find useful including helping to manage nerves and developing a positive mindset. They also thought about organising time including balancing study with hobbies and school life. The children also included information about learning from mistakes and promoting good sleep and nutrition – well done, everyone!

Mr. Young and Mrs. Kailey



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Bronze & Silver Awards for week ending 17th April 2026





Our Achievers for the week ending 17th April 2026



Our Stars of the w/e 17th April 2026



Reception - Zach
Year 1 - Captain
Year 2 - Delilah
Year 3 - Hisham
Year 4 - Hedva
Year 5 - Khivi
Year 6 - Mohamed





Assembly Awards for week ending 17th April 2026



Well
DONE!

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CONGRATULATIONS



**Attendance Chart
w/e 17/04/26**

Year	Percentage
1 st	100%
2 nd	99.7%
3 rd	99.3%
4 th	98.7%
5 th	97.6%
6 th	96.7%
7 th	93%

**Well Done
Year 1!**



CONGRATULATIONS





Big Top Funfair Menu

Dear Parent and Carers,

To celebrate Census Day, we shall be offering a special 'Taster Day' menu all KS1 on Thursday 21st May 2026. If your child normally brings a packed lunch, they can do so, but if they wish to sample this special one-off menu then it will be available to them on this day.

Main Choices will be:



Lemon & Herb Chicken Wrap

Or



Cajun Veggie Fiesta Quesadilla (Veggie Option)

With



Fries and Corn

Dessert

Strawberry Mousse



This is an ideal opportunity for your child to try a school lunch and see what great value they represent, no pre-order required!



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Find out more about supporting your child with primary school English

Join our **free** 10-week online course

English in the Primary School

This course is for:

All Coventry mums, dads and carers with children aged 2-10

What you'll learn:

The English words and methods used in primary schools and how you can help at home

What we do:

- Email you a new 30-minute course video each week
- Give you digital resources to help your learning
- Answer any questions you've got by email

When it is:

Online, from Monday 20th April for 10 weeks

How to Join:

View all Family Learning courses and enrol online at coventry.gov.uk/adulted
Or scan the QR code to enrol
To find out more email aeslifeskills@coventry.gov.uk
Assume you have a place unless you hear from us

Free online course

"I learnt a lot - now it's much easier to help my son with his reading"



Find out more about supporting your child with primary school maths

Join our **free** 10-week online course

Maths in the Primary School

This course is for:

All Coventry mums, dads and carers with children aged 3-10

What you'll learn

The maths words and methods used in primary schools and how you can help at home

What we do

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Where it is:

A pre-recorded online course to watch where and when you like

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Positive Family Foundations

This course is for:

All Coventry mums, dads and carers with children aged 0-10

What you'll learn

How children develop with practical examples to support behaviour, well-being and mental health

What we do

- email you a new 30-minute course video each week
- give you digital resources to help your learning
- answer any questions you've got by email

Where it is:

A pre-recorded online course to watch where and when you like

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"I found out loads of different ways to help my son feel calmer"



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Positive Family Foundations

This course is for:

All Coventry mums, dads and carers with children aged 0-10

What we do

- share information about child development and parenting styles
- give out practical resources and activities
- provide a welcoming and inclusive group
- have a drink and a snack

Where it is:

Families for All Family Hub
454 Foleshill Road,
Foleshill, Coventry

When it is:

1-3pm every Wednesday starting 22 April

How to join

View all Family Learning courses and enrol online at coventry.gov.uk/adulted
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DANCE SPACE STUDIOS

Key Features:

- ✓ Professional Harlequin Sprung Floors
- ✓ Certified Teachers
- ✓ Performance Opportunities
- ✓ Children & Teens Classes (Ages 5-17)
- ✓ Adult Classes (Beginner to Advanced)
- ✓ Dance Styles - Jazz - Salsa - Street - Line - Musical Theatre
- ✓ Schools & Corporate - Packages Available



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www.dancespacestudios.co.uk

Location: The Albany Theatre,
Albany Rd, Coventry CV5 6JQ






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Clubs Summer Term 2026

Start Date	Day	Activity	Year Groups	Led by	Cost
20 th April	Monday 3:30 – 4:30	Arts & Crafts 	R-6	Clubs Complete	Please see website
	Monday 12:30 – 1:00	Spanish	Y1-3	Joy from Bilingua Sing	£4.75 per class
	Monday 3:30 – 4:30	Football	4-6	Mr Ray	£10 per term
21 st April	Tuesday 3:30 – 4:30	Yoga 	R-6	Clubs Complete	Please see website
	Tuesday 3:30 – 4:30	Netball	Y4-6	Miss Bullock	£10 per term
	Tuesday 8:00 – 8:45	Dance	Y2-6	Liz Wilson Dance	£60 per term
22 nd April	Wednesday 8:00 – 8:45	Badminton	3-6	Miss Bullock	£10 per term
	Wednesday 3:30 – 4:30	Football 	R-6	Clubs Complete	Please see website
	Wednesday 3:30 – 4:30	Sugar Craft	Y4-6	Midge Smith	£130.00 Per Term
23 rd April	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Dodgeball 	R-6	Clubs Complete	Please see website
	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Tennis	Y1-3	Miss Bullock	£10 per term
	Thursday 3:30 – 4:30	Debate Club	Y5/6	Mrs Amphlett	£10 per term
16 th April	Friday 3:30 – 4:30	Madlabs 	R-6	Clubs Complete	Please see website
Music Lessons offered during the school day:					
	Wednesday Thursday/Friday	Drums Flute/Keyboard	Years 2 – 6	Coventry Music Service	Please see website for cost

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Term Dates 2025/2026

Autumn Term (2025)

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

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Term Dates 2026/2027

Autumn Term (2026)

Tuesday 1 st September	Staff Training Day
Wednesday 2 nd September	Staff Training Day
Thursday 3 rd September	First day of term
Monday 26 th October to Friday 30 th October	Half Term
Monday 2 nd November	Children return to school
Friday 27 th November	Staff Training Day
Friday 18 th December	Last day of term
Monday 21 st December to Friday 1 st January	Christmas Holidays

Spring Term (2027)

Monday 4 th January	Staff Training Day
Tuesday 5 th January	First day of term
Monday 15 th February to Friday 19 th February	Half Term
Monday 22 nd February	Children return to school
Thursday 25 th March	Last day of term
Friday 26 th March to Friday 9 th April	Easter Holidays

Summer Term (2027)

Monday 12 th April	First day of term
Monday 3 rd May	Bank Holiday
Monday 31 st May to Friday 4 th June	Half Term
Monday 7 th June	Staff Training Day
Tuesday 8 th June	Children return to school
Wednesday 21 st July	Last day of term