



Friday 8th
December 2023

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Diary Dates

14th Dec: Reception trip (Lost & Found)

14th Dec: 3MTA Beeston trip

Finish for school holidays –
Friday 15th December

Return to school –
Wednesday 3rd January

Festive FUN!

This week we have been enjoying things all festive! The nursery children were BRILLIANT in their Christmas play, well done nursery!

There's lots more fun seasonal celebrations and events to look forward to next week.

We hope to see everyone at the PTA Christmas event later today. We hear there may be a special visitor!

Christmas Calendar

12th Dec: Y1 Christmas Singing Performance

12th Dec: Reception Christmas Play

13th Y2 Christmas Singing Performance

13th Dec: Reception Christmas Play

13th Dec: Christmas dinner day

15th Dec: Y1, 2, 3 & 4 Panto (in school)

15th Christmas Jumper Day

Brilliant Charity Work

A big well done to all the children for participating in our Children in Need spotty dress up day and a huge thank you for your donations. We raised a grand total of £632

Thank you!



Christmas Jumper/Outfit Day at Cavendish – Friday 15th Dec



Donations on School Gateway please.



Christmas on Burton Road

What a festive afternoon! Burton Road Christmas Lights Switch on event was BRILIANT and made even more magical as the Cavendish school choir performed. They sounded FAB-U-LOUS! It even snowed during the performance! Well done to the choir and a big thank you to Mr Lee.



HAPPY HANUKKAH

Happy Hanukkah to all of our families celebrating.

Also known as the festival of lights, Hanukkah takes place over eight days. Each night, a candle is lit on the Menorah (or Hanukkiah).



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

We expect children to be in school every day unless they are too ill to attend. Please ensure all non-urgent medical appointments are made outside normal school hours.

All information about attendance can be found on the attendance page on our school website...

<https://www.cavendish.manchester.sch.uk/page/attendance-punctuality/134481>



Cavendish Values

It is Human Rights Day on December 10th and we explored what it means and why it is so important with the children this week. As a UNICEF Rights Respecting school, we aim to empower children in knowing, understanding and embracing their rights.

Check out our Rights Respecting School page on the school website...

<https://www.cavendish.manchester.sch.uk/page/unicef-rights/133>



Here are some questions we used to reflect...

Reflection

Why do rights matter to you and to our world?

Which rights do you value most in your life?

How can you help respect and protect the rights of other in your community and around the world?



Respect Equality Positivity
Responsibility Kindness Courage

The aim of all human rights is to make people's lives better. There are two Articles that remind us.



Safety Protectors – Road Safety

Thank you to school governor Ciaron Wilkinson for coming in to school to help the Safety Protectors judge the Road Safety Competition this week.

Winners and runners up will be announced next week and we look forward to sharing their BRILLIANT posters and messages with you in the newsletter.

Thank you also to all of the parents and carers who have completed the Cavendish Travel Survey.

We are collating the responses and will get back to you soon.



The Cavendish Values

Creating **BRILLIANT**
Citizens

RESPECT EQUALITY POSITIVITY
RESPONSIBILITY KINDNESS COURAGE





JUST HELPING
Registered charity number 1149028

Recycle your Tree!

In aid of

supporting **St Ann's Hospice**
Registered charity number 258085

FRANCIS HOUSE CHILDREN'S HOSPICE
Registered Charity No. 126659

Registration closes Sunday, 7th January, 2024



www.just-helping.org.uk/register-tree

After cost, the first £57,000 will be attributed to St Ann's Hospice. The remaining pot will be split 40% St Ann's Hospice, 40% to Francis House Children's Hospice, and 20% to other local charities and community groups.

We will be collecting & recycling trees from 11th to 14th January 2024. Scan the QR code or visit our URL and enter your post code to register.



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Registered with FUNDRAISING REGULATOR

CHRISTMAS GROTTO

SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER
IN THE
THE OLD PARSONAGE
11AM-4PM

- MEET SANTA AND HIS ELVES!
- CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CRAFTS
- CHRISTMAS STALLS
- HOT DRINKS
- MULLED WINE AND MINCE PIES
- JASPER THE PUPPET DOG
- HYMNS BY NORTHEMENDEN COMMUNITY CHOIR
- RAFFLE

£2 FOR EACH CRAFT
£3 VISIT TO SANTA
£5 FOR BOTH!

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BRILLIANT CITIZENS

In this section of the newsletter we hear all about how the children are being **BRILLIANT** citizens!

We love to hear about how our children are achieving and making a difference outside of school. If you would like to share your news in the Cavendish newsletter, please let us know what you have been up to by emailing the school office... office@cavendish.manchester.sch.uk



Community Cavendish

Cost of living crisis Manchester FREE Cost of Living Advice Line: Support with benefits, help and advice about rent, debt, bills, food support and help to get online (support to access the internet, laptops, phones and data). The advice line is open Monday to Friday 9am to 4.30pm on 0800 023 2692. You can also text on 07860 022 876 or visit www.manchester.gov.uk/coladvice

- Manchester web page for help with the cost-of-living crisis: A comprehensive guide to the financial help and practical support available to Manchester residents. Providing information on housing/council tax, FSM, fuel, travel and cash grants, furniture and white goods.
- Warm Welcome: You can find out more about Warm Welcome spaces near you by accessing the web pages and map at <https://www.warmwelcome.uk/>.
- Food Banks and Community Grocers: There are both referral and non-referral foodbanks across Manchester. You can find your nearest online at www.trusselltrust.org or www.greatertogethermanchester.org.
- Free SIMS/internet data for those eligible.
- Help with internet use, digital inclusion and use of computers in our libraries.
- Governments Help for Households campaign and web pages www.gov.uk/cost-of-living for information and support with benefits, income, rent and bills, pension, subsidised travel, childcare and maternity costs.
- Social Tariffs: Low-cost broadband and phone service packages, for those on low incomes. Check the Ofcom website to see if you can switch to a social tariff.

Christmas Holiday Activities & Food Information and Booking Code for Parents and Carers

The Christmas holidays are fast approaching. MCRactive and Manchester City Council are offering thousands of FREE places for children eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

Activities will range from Sport and Physical Activities, Arts and Crafts and much more. In addition to the activities, their booked place will include a FREE meal during the day.

For more information and to book your child's space*: You will need to sign up for an MCRactive Go account <https://www.mcractive.com/> (sign in) to book free Christmas holiday activities. Once signed up, log into your account – Find Activities – Search by Category 'MCR Holiday Activity'. Use code: 99765 to book free eligible activities.

Please also visit <https://loadstodo.co.uk/> to view additional FREE holiday activities and other opportunities taking place across the city.

*Please only book your child onto a holiday camp if they will be attending. Spaces at each camp are limited. If you book a space and your child can no longer attend, please cancel your space as far in advance as possible, to allow the opportunity for another child to take their space at the activity and free meal.

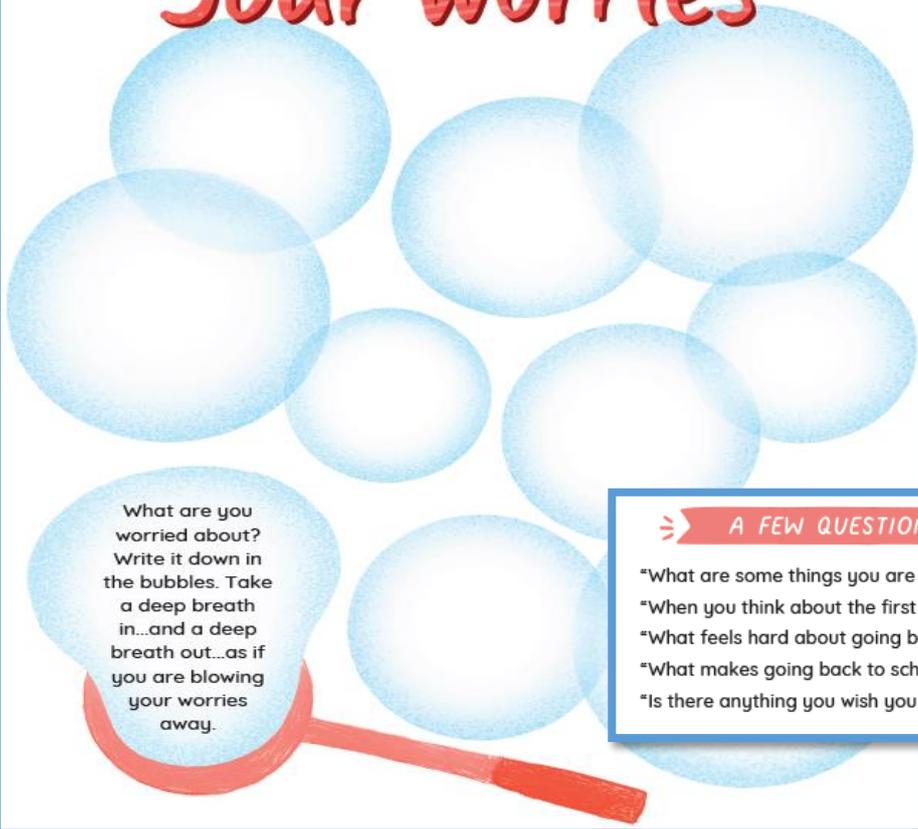
Kind Regards, MCRactive





GROWING BRILLIANTLY

BLOW AWAY Your Worries



What are you worried about? Write it down in the bubbles. Take a deep breath in...and a deep breath out...as if you are blowing your worries away.

A FEW QUESTIONS TO START THE CONVERSATION

- “What are some things you are looking forward to about school?”
- “When you think about the first day of school, what comes to mind?”
- “What feels hard about going back to school?”
- “What makes going back to school easier or better?”
- “Is there anything you wish you could change about going back to school?”

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- ♦ **Worries are normal.**
The goal is not to avoid worry but to help children learn how to manage it.
- ♦ **Keep your own worries in check.**
Learning to manage your own worries can help you be present for your child.
- ♦ **Discussing worries do not amplify them.**
Generally, discussing worries with children helps relieve their fear.



LISTEN

Avoid minimizing feelings: “That’s not a big deal” or “Why are you worried about such a silly thing?”

ASK NON-JUDGMENTAL QUESTIONS

Avoid leading with questions that could be seen as judgemental or that children probably cannot answer: “Why are you so worried?” “Why do you feel that way?”

LIMIT SOLUTIONS (TO START WITH)

Avoid jumping straight to solutions. Give kids time to vent their feelings. Then brainstorm together: “What are some ways you could handle that?”, “Would you like me to suggest some ideas for that situation?”

HELP THEM FEEL CONNECTED AND SAFE

Reinforce your love and support. “Is there anything I can do to make the first day easier for you?” “I’ll be thinking of you when you are at school.”, “I’ll be waiting right by the bus stop when you come home from school.”



KEEPING SAFE & BEING HAPPY



A parent's guide to **INTERNET CONTROLS**

The internet is full of harmful content, which is why web filtering is such an important tool for any family. When running properly it helps to protect your children from the bad things on the internet, regardless of whether they're trying to access that type of content on purpose or it happens by accident.

While parental controls are generally lumped together as one, there are three main ways of providing them: via your Internet Service Provider (ISP), via a router or via software that you install. Each has its own benefits and downsides, and the best solution is often to use a combination of techniques to catch everything and prevent a child from bypassing your protection. In this brochure, we'll look at each type to see which ones are best for you.

ROUTER FILTERING CONTROLS



Most routers provide internet filtering. The most basic models just let you type in a website that's blocked, which doesn't provide a very practical way of locking down your internet connection. However, many new routers and wireless mesh systems are upping their game when it comes to parental controls. They are providing more advanced controls, and that's what we're looking at here.

Although usually provided free, some manufacturers have a monthly charge for more advanced features. For example, with the Netgear Orbi System, you get basic filtering for free, but more advanced controls are available on a monthly subscription.

Using router controls, you can create profiles for each person in your home, assigning devices to each person. A child, for example, could have a profile that associates their laptop, phone and games console to them.

Filtering controls let you set which types of websites each profile can access, with more restrictive blocking for very young children, less stringent blocking for teenagers and unfettered access for adults.

In addition, profiles often let you set both when a profile can access the internet and for how long. You can even pause internet connection for a profile, blocking internet access temporarily for a child. As controls are applied for all devices, it means that a child can't swap to a different device to carry on using the internet.

The main downsides are twofold. First, protection doesn't work outside of your home, so a child has unrestricted internet access on other networks. Secondly, they can't control which apps your child can use, so you can't lock down applications and games so easily.

