



Message from the Head

Dear Parents/Carers.

We received a letter from Rachel Taylor MP thanking us for our participation in the **Holocaust memorial Day service** at All Saints Church on January 27th. Rachel acknowledged the importance of learning from History and marking this day.



HOLOCAUST
MEMORIAL
DAY

If you have any issue with your child's provision please use the many channels available to you to raise your concern. We have our own inclusion team, two amazing family support workers and offer additional termly meetings for parents of children with SEND.

We offer support groups for parents and specific opportunities for children with SEND.

It is therefore hugely disappointing to read comments on the Facebook Community Forum which we feel are totally unjust and that parents have never raised with us. Thank you to the many parents who were supportive and raise issues in the correct fashion.



Please ensure you have booked your **parents evening appointments**. Monday is just for online appointments, all other appointments are face to face. Please remember these are 10 minutes long only and all appointments must finish on time. If you require further discussion then please speak to your class teacher regarding this who will be able to speak with you another time.

Our **year 2 children** had a great time at the school disco with the entertainer yesterday. Many thanks to our PTA for organising the event.

There will be **no choir next week**, as it is parents evening. Choir will begin again straight after half term on Tuesday 24th February.

Could we please remind parents that we are a **nut free school**, also if you are sending your child to school with grapes as a healthy snack, please cut grapes in half length ways for all children as they have the potential to be a **choking hazard**.

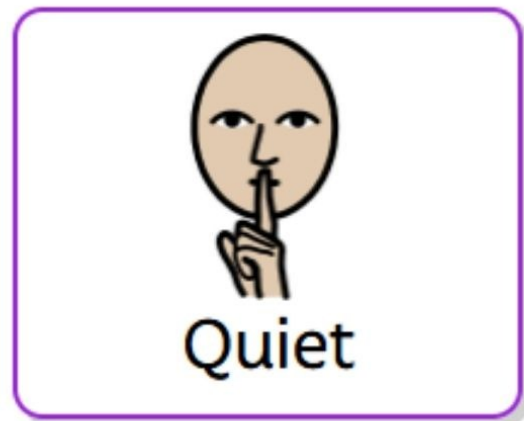
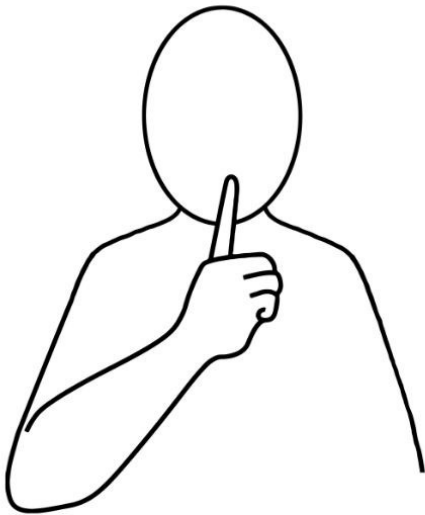
Please remember that if you child has vomiting or diarrhoea they cannot return to school for 48 hours after the last bout, even if they are feeling well in themselves. This is to prevent the spreading of infection and disease.

We have had a wonderful **Diversity day today**. Celebrating diversity is important to us at The Canons. We are all unique and in better understanding our differences, we build tolerance and combat ignorance about others. It was fascinating to see the range of ways children demonstrated their diversity. We had Scouts, martial arts, saris, rugby, netball and traditional Mexican and Indian food. Many thanks to Mrs Hughes for organising this.



Next **Friday 13th February is a teacher training day**, school will be closed on this day. We return to school after half term on Monday 23rd February.

Quiet



Each week we'll be sharing a new Makaton sign that the children are learning in school. You'll find the sign in this newsletter to practise at home. Please ask your child to show you the sign—they'll love teaching you what they've learned!

What is Makaton? Makaton is a way of communicating that uses simple signs and symbols alongside speech. It helps children (and adults) to understand and express themselves, especially if they find language tricky. You may have seen Makaton being used on TV, in hospitals, or in other schools—it helps make communication more inclusive for everyone. By learning Makaton together, we're giving all our children an extra tool to support understanding, confidence, and inclusion.



THE CANONS SPORTS NEWS

We have had a busy couple of weeks for sport.

First of all, on Tuesday 20th January some children from upper school went to George Eliot School for a multi-sports festival. They got to try lots of different sports including archery, goal ball and boccia and had a wonderful time. They all showed courage and resilience and were a credit to the school.

Then on Thursday 22nd January, the Year 3/4 dodgeball team were in action at St. Michael's Academy. They played brilliantly against some really tough opposition from other schools and finished 2nd overall. This means they progress to the next stage in the competition. Well done team!

On Thursday the following week it was the turn of the Year 5/6 dodgeball team to take part in a tournament at St. Michael's Academy. They all showed amazing courage and determination against some very strong opponents and managed to finish 4th overall. Then on Friday we took the Year 5/6 indoor athletics team to Nicholas Chamberlaine School for the Sports Hall Athletics competition. The children took part in lots of track and field events against 9 other schools in the area and we are extremely proud to say that we finished 2nd! Well done to all involved. Finally, this week we have had the first heats of the BPSSA Cross Country Competition for Year 3/4 and Year 5/6. All of the runners showed fantastic courage and resilience to complete a 1900m run in extremely cold and wet conditions. We'll keep you posted when we get the results next week.



Vacancy - Midday Supervisor

1 year fixed term contract

1.25 hours per day, 5 days a week, term time only.

Key Requirements:

Literacy skills to be able to understand school policies and complete accident book / Be aware of cultural differences / Kind and empathetic attitudes towards children / Good team worker. Please complete the application & equality forms on our website (under About Us> Staff Vacancies) and return by post or email to: admin3302@welearn365.com for the attention of Mrs Debbie Thomas, School Business Manager.

Please ensure you also read our privacy notice.



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BEDWORTH, A SINGING TOWN

FREE
ADMISSION



ON THE FOLLOWING FRIDAYS

13th of February

6th and 27th of March

12pm - 12:45pm



Jeremy and a few of the singers at our first singing workshop

Presented by Jeremy Dobb



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Our Planet, Our Responsibility: Fun Family Eco Challenges!

Each week, try one or two small activities at home or outdoors. Learn a fun fact, take action, and see how little changes can make a big difference!

Home Habits – Small Changes, Big Impact

Fact: Trees clean the air and give wildlife homes.



Try this: Collect leaves and make leaf prints.

Fact: Ponds give small creatures a safe home.

Try this: Create a mini wildlife pond with a bowl of water and stones.



Word of the Week To get children excited about words the whole school is starting 'Word of the Week'. Each week we will be displaying an interesting word and setting a small associated word challenge for you and your child. The challenges are small spoken tasks that do not require pen or paper. They just need you and some talk time, so easy to do on the way home or before bedtime. Get involved, have fun, and your child's vocabulary will grow!

 <p>famished</p>	<p>Very hungry.</p>	<p>Slip the word famished into conversation with a class-mate or family member and see if they notice.</p>	<p><i>Words for older children</i></p>
<p><i>Words for younger children</i></p>	 <p>eerie</p>	<p>Strange and frightening.</p>	

New Lunch Menu

Week beginning 9th February 2026 — Week 3

Link to new menu [click here](#)

After school clubs & events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>3.15- 4.00pm Yr 3-6 Cross Country for those with a place</p> <p>3.15 - 4.00pm Yr 3/4 Cup stacking for those who have a place</p>	<p>3.15 - 4.00pm Yr 1/2 Multi Skills Group 1</p>	<p>3.15 - 4.00pm Yr 5/6 Hockey for those who have a place</p>	<p>3.15 - 4.20pm DSA Gymnastics Club</p>	



Our Values Champions of The Week

MAGGS Isla Conway Showing courage by trying new foods at lunchtime	CHAMBERLAINE Ivy King Showing perseverance in phonics & reading in school & at home	EVANS Jim Barnacle Showing friendship to all his peers at school
PICASSO Jayden Clarke Showing perseverance & making so much progress	MONET Honey Gilbey-Edwards Showing friendship towards others in her class	DA VINCI Sienna-Grace Monson Always showing respect in school!
MANDELA Hunter Murray Showing perseverance with his maths and English	NIGHTINGALE Raya Bachu Showing perseverance in her maths this week	PANKHURST Emmie Killeen Showing respect & working hard
BEETHOVEN Callum Billingham Showing respect towards others.	VIVALDI Joseph Williams Showing Perseverance during Guided Reading	MOZART Celeste Collinson Always showing compassion & friendship to others
RALEIGH Olivia Bendle Showing courage, respect & perseverance.	COLUMBUS Notified Via Dojo Showing perseverance & amazing writing	MAGELLAN Alana Ashdown Always showing all values
NEWTON Kyra Jandu Showing compassion to others	FARADAY Lucas Crumb Showing perseverance through Maths	DARWIN Muhammad Hasan Showing perseverance in all his work
PYTHAGORAS	ARCHIMEDES The Whole Class Showing compassion to others	EINSTEIN

