

# Cann Hall Primary School

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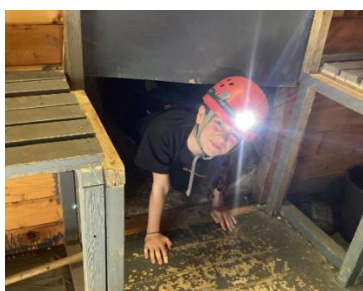
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Year 6 Residential

It was lovely to welcome the Year 6 children and our school staff back this afternoon, after their week away at Mersea Outdoors. Hopefully you will have seen all the photographs on our Twitter feed [@cannhallprimary](https://twitter.com/cannhallprimary) but if not, here are a selection of what was a fun filled week of team building and adventure activities.





A huge thank you to those staff members who gave up their own time to ensure that the children had an amazing week.

We hope that both adults and children make time rest and catch up on their sleep over the weekend, so they are ready for our final few days, celebrating the children's time at Cann Hall, next week.

### **School Council Book Sale**

The School Council's Book 'Sale' finishes this Monday 17th July in 5T classroom. **ALL BOOKS FREE!!** Take as many as you like. Bring a bag and stock up for the holidays! Infants, Junior and adult titles available.



## **Changes to the School Day from September 2023**

You may remember that the government brought in a directive for primary schools to be open 32.5 hours a week, as part of the White Paper last year. With changes within the government, the hope was that this may be withdrawn. However, it has now been confirmed that we will need to put this into place. For more information on this, please click this [link](#).



We have thought carefully about how to best manage this and have decided upon the following:

- Keep the morning register time at 8.40am, with the gates opening from 8.30am.
- Extend breaktime for children by 5 minutes to 20 minutes each day.
- Extend lunchtime to 50-minutes each day.
- Finish the day at 3.10pm. We will open the gates at 3.05 to give parents time to get around to the classrooms, with the gates still closing at 3.15pm.

Hopefully these new arrangements will work for everyone, but if there are any concerns, please speak with one of us and we can see what we can do to help. We will review how this is working over September, and if we think anything needs changing at that point, then we will let you know. Thank you for your support and understanding.

## **On-line Safety Campaign**

Last week, we sent out a letter containing lots of information regarding this Online Safety Campaign.

From the 10-16<sup>th</sup> July the Essex Safeguarding Children Board (ESCB) and partners are encouraging people across Essex to take part in sharing messages about online safety across social media. The week of activity will cover topics including youth involved sexual images, online gaming, and online safety for pre-schoolers. There will be information on how to support young people to have healthy relationships in a digital world and the importance of supporting them to understand the dangers that technology can present with relationships.

When you have a moment, please make sure you have seen this letter, so that you are aware of workshop dates and times. There is also lots of helpful information for parents on our [website](#).

## Holiday Bikeability programmes

**HOLIDAY COURSES**

**Bikeability Level 1, Level 1 & 2 and 3 and Learn to ride courses**

To book, please visit link  
[essex.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking](https://essex.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking)  
There is a £15 non-refundable booking fee



**SAFER  
GREENER  
HEALTHIER**

  
Essex County Council

Essex County Council are offering a selection of Bikeability Courses (Level 1, 2 & 3 and Learn to Ride courses) over the summer holidays.

Here is all the contact information, if you are interested in booking your child onto one of these courses.

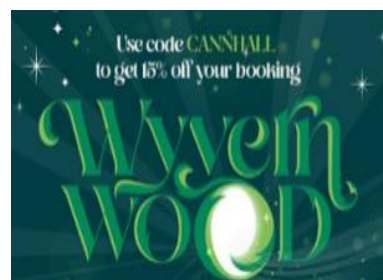
## PTA Summer Raffle

Raffle prizes are being drawn today – good luck to everyone, who bought tickets.



## Wyvernwood Discount Voucher

Remember to use code CANNHALL to receive a 15% discount at Wyvernwood, if you are thinking of planning a visit over the next few weeks.

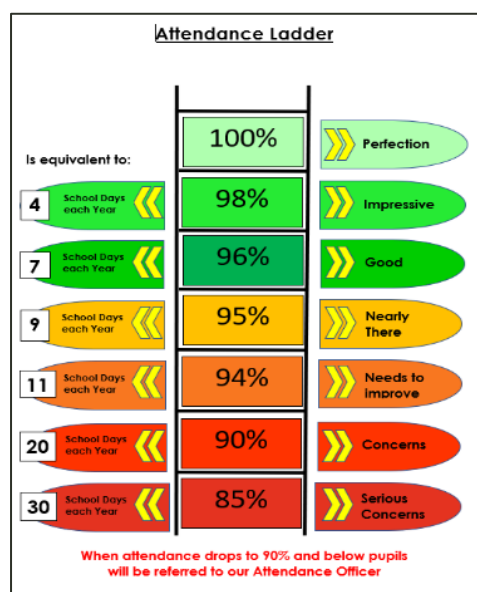


## Budget Balancing Meals

Please see the poster at the bottom of this letter, if you want to get ahead with planning and cooking meals. All attendees of this course will receive a free slow cooker!



## Attendance Update



Our average attendance this week is up slightly to **92.8%**. **Well done to 4R, whose attendance hit 96% this week.**

If your child's attendance falls below 90%, you will receive a letter to alert you of this and when we feel it is necessary, home visits will also be arranged. If your child's attendance falls below **96%**, we will require evidence to authorise any further absence. Holidays will not be authorised.

Lateness also affects your child's attendance so please try to ensure that your child arrives at school before the gates close, each morning at **8.40am**. You can check your child's current attendance using the 'My Child at School App'.

If your child is unable to attend school, please ensure you call or email the school on the morning of **every day** they are absent.

## St John's Church Holiday Club

St John's Church is running a holiday club '**Beside the Sea**' from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July, for Primary School age children.

Booking forms can be collected from our school office if anyone is interested.

The full-size poster can be found at the bottom of this letter.



## Little Jimmy's

If you are interested, Little Jimmy's, Cann Hall site, are running a summer holiday club for three weeks, during the summer holiday, on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for nursery aged children. To find out more, please contact [info@littlejimmys.co.uk](mailto:info@littlejimmys.co.uk) or call 01255 318247 as limited places are available.

## Summer Fete

Thank you once again to everyone who supported our summer fete, last Friday. It was lovely to welcome this event back and the glorious weather certainly helped to make it such a success. We are still counting up the funds raised and will let you know as soon as these are confirmed. These funds will be used to enhance and support the children's learning next year. Thank you once again to our wonderful PTA for putting this event together and everyone, who helped on the day.



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### **After School Clubs**

There will be no after-school clubs running next week.

### **End of Year Reports**

A quick reminder that the children's end of year reports will be sent home on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Upcoming dates for your diary:**

17.7.2023: Reports sent home to parents and carers

18.7.2023, 16.00 to 19.00: Year 6 Party

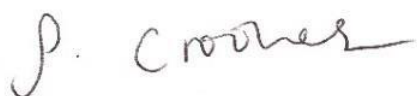
19.7.2023 @10.00: Year 6 Leavers Assembly

20 & 21.7.2023: Non-Pupil Days

4 & 5.9.2023: Non-Pupil Days

6.9.2023: Pupils return to school after the summer holiday

Kindest regards,



Sarah Crookes

**Mon 24<sup>th</sup> to Fri 28<sup>th</sup> July**  
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**Beside the Sea**  
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**...by, on & across the sea with Jesus**



**10am–12noon** family event on Wed 26<sup>th</sup> July after the club  
 Holiday Club Service & lunch on Sun 30<sup>th</sup> July  
**for primary school age** (Reception–yr.6) **COST: £1per day**  
*(helpers of secondary school age welcome)*



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 Club  
 2023**