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Friday 15th July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to welcome our Year 6 pupils back from their activity week with Xplore, where they have been able to have a go at archery, air rifles, quad biking just to name a few. From the photographs on our Twitter feed (@cannhallprimary) and stories, it looks and sounds like they all had an amazing time!



From experience, I'm sure the children will be asleep for most of the weekend, while you wade through their piles of dirty washing. Thank you to all the staff members who gave up their own time, with their families, to ensure that the children had a week, where they will have made great memories for life!

Green Day Pre-Loved Book Sale

We mentioned, last week, that we had raised lots of money for the school from our sale of your pre-loved books. We can now confirm that in total we raised £96 - so thank you again to those of you who donated and bought any of these books.

Theatre Company Visit

Year 5 have been studying Macbeth, as part of their English learning journey and on Monday they were lucky enough to have a theatre company come in to perform Macbeth with them. The children were able to take on the roles of different characters to perform the scenes of the story before taking part in two workshops. One of their tasks was to create a 'movie poster' (a freeze frame) of different scenes which they children then took turns to perform. Finally, the children worked as a whole group to perform different scenes, which would create a trailer for a film.



Jui-Jitsu Success

On Saturday, Lilly took part in the World Junior Jui-Jitsu championships in Wolverhampton and secured an amazing second place and very impressive medal. Well done Lilly – what an achievement! We are all so very proud of you.



Kids Eat for £1 Initiative



Another reminder about this fantastic scheme, which is being rolled out by Asda and will run throughout the summer holiday. To tackle 'holiday hunger' at a time when the cost of living is higher than ever, children aged 16 and under will be able to access a hot or cold meal for just £1 in Asda's in-store cafes.

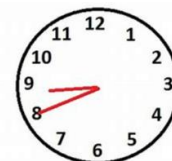
The scheme will run from 25th July until the 4th September and is available all day, as long as the café is open. Dependent on the store, a hot or cold meal or both will be on offer, with no minimum adult spend required.

Congratulations to Mrs Argent-Hudson

We were told the lovely news that Mrs Argent-Hudson had a beautiful baby girl this week. Both mummy and baby are doing well, and we can't wait to meet her in person!

September 2022 - Extension of the school day

The Government White Paper has stated that all schools should be open for 32.5 hours a week. As we currently just fall short of this expectation, we will still be opening the school gates at 8.30am but will be closing them five minutes earlier at the new time of **8.40am** from September. The end of the school day will remain the same for the start of term (3pm-3.15pm), with us moving to a later finish time by July 2023.



September 2022 - Entrance and Exit Gates

The nursery, which being run by 'Little Jimmy's', is hoping to be up and running in September, so this means we will no longer be able to use the Nursery gate as one of our entrances. All of our current entrances and exits will still be in use, and you may use which ever one is most convenient to you, when dropping off and collecting your children each day (*as long as no new restrictions come in over the summer*).

Heatwave Warning



Please make sure that you send your child into school with a **sun hat, sun cream, wearing cool, loose items of uniform and a refillable water bottle** next week, as temperatures are set to soar, especially at the beginning of the week. On Monday, we are going to try to reduce the amount of time the children spend outside by having our breaks inside instead. We are happy for your child to bring in a game/toy to play with during their indoor breaks.

Upcoming Diary Dates: **(important changes)**

Y6 Production – 18.7.16 and 19.7.16 at 9.45am on the school field (weather permitting)
Unfortunately, following the government guidance below, we have been advised not to go ahead with these performances, due to the extreme weather that is being forecast. At the moment, we are going look at this on a day-to-day basis. We are certain that the Monday performance will not go ahead but we are hoping to be able to give you more information about the Tuesday performance and possibly a Wednesday performance, early next week.

Reports sent home to parents – 18.7.22

Y6 Leavers' Party – 20.7.2022, 16.30-18.30

Y6 Leavers' Assembly – 21.7.2022, at 10.00am

Non-pupil day - 22.7.2022

Non-pupil day – 1.9.22 and 2.9.22
Children return to school on 5.9.22

Thank you and goodbye

Mrs Agrisanti and Miss Sillet, who have supported lots of children across the school, will sadly be leaving us at the end of this term for pastures new. Mrs Agrisanti is going for a career change, which takes her closer to home and Miss Sillet, after completing her apprenticeship with us, has secured a position in a school, more local to her. We send them off with lots of thanks for everything they have done for our children and best wishes for the future.

Also, Mr Spriggs, who has been completing a training placement in Year 2 for the last four weeks, leaves us today to continue his training at Ravens Academy. We thank him for all his hard work and wish him every success in his teaching career.

And finally ...

Many of you will know Mrs Rogers. She has been a teacher at Cann Hall since 2011 and she has seen many of your children move through the school during this time. Some of you might have been wondering where she has been ...

Sadly, in January, Mrs Rogers' son, Finley, was diagnosed with T-Cell Leukaemia, which is a very rare form of Leukaemia, so he has been receiving treatment at both Colchester General Hospital and Addenbrookes. Mrs Rogers is currently caring for Finley and taking him to regular hospital appointments. It has been a challenging time for her and her family, but they are amazingly positive and Fin's prognosis seems good. If you would like to know more about Fin, his condition and how you can support, you can click on this go fund me link to learn more. <https://gofund.me/651259f8>




I am sure you will join me in sending out your love and best wishes to Mrs Rogers and her family, whilst they take some much-needed family time to beat this illness. Mrs Rogers really does miss the children and families at school and will be returning when Finley is in the maintenance phase of his treatment, which could possibly be in the new year.

Finley - You've Got This!

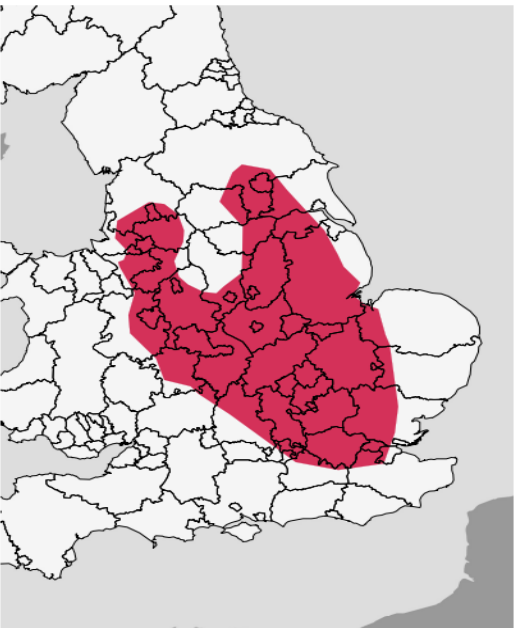
Kindest regards,

Sarah Crookes



Red warning
Extreme Heat


Between
00:00 Mon 18 Jul 2022 and
23:59 Tue 19 Jul 2022



An exceptional hot spell on Monday and Tuesday leading to widespread impacts on people and infrastructure.

What to expect

- Population-wide adverse health effects experienced, not limited to those most vulnerable to extreme heat, leading to serious illness or danger to life. Government advice is that 999 services should be used in emergencies only; seek advice from 111 if you need non-emergency health advice.
- Substantial changes in working practices and daily routines will be required
- High risk of failure of heat-sensitive systems and equipment, potentially leading to localised loss of power and other essential services, such as water or mobile phone services
- Significantly more people visiting coastal areas, lakes and rivers, leading to an increased risk of water safety incidents
- Delays on roads and road closures, along with delays and cancellations to rail and air travel, with significant welfare issues for those who experience even moderate delays



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Further details

Exceptional, perhaps record-breaking, temperatures are likely on Monday, then again on Tuesday. Nights are also likely to be exceptionally warm for the UK, especially in urban areas. This is likely to lead to widespread impacts on people and infrastructure.

Temperatures are expected to drop away from Wednesday onwards.

