# Cann Hall Primary School

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Friday 21st October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Harvest Festival

Thank you so much to those of you who donated to our Harvest Collection. All the items you so generously sent in have now been collected by St John's Church, who will distribute to families in our local community



# Attendance Update

Attendance Ladder		
ls equivalent to:	100%	
4 School Days each Year	98%	
7 School Days each Year	96%	Sood
9 School Days each Year	95%	Nearly There
11 School Days each Year	94%	Needs to improve
20 School Days	90%	
30 School Days	85%	Serious Concerns
When attendance drops to 90% and below pupils will be referred to our Attendance Officer		

**Our average attendance this week is 94.5%** which means we still **need to improve** so please try to ensure that your child is in school, on time, everyday after half term. If we keep working together, I know we can reach **'perfection'** and ultimately this will have a positive impact on your child's learning and progress.

If your child's attendance has fallen below 90%, you should expect to receive a letter to alert you to this and what next steps may be taken to improve this.

# <u>Times Tables</u>

In school the children have been practising their times tables facts every day and are beginning to understand how knowing these facts, off by heart, will help them to develop into confident mathematicians. With this in mind, please can you continue to keep encouraging them to practice their times tables facts over the Autumn half term. Here are a few links to videos, which might give you some other ideas for how you can do this, if you would like to try something new.

How to make a multiplication wheel - YouTube



Alderwood - Cann Hall - Deansfield - Halstow - Horn Park - John Ray Junior Notley Green - Shalford - South Rise - Willow Dene - Wingfield How to draw a multiplication flower to practise times tables - YouTube

Egg carton multiplication games - practising times tables - YouTube

Also, just another reminder for you to check that your child is playing on the most up to date version of TT Rockstars. If your child is using the website at home, please visit play.ttrockstars.com/reset to load the latest version onto your device's browser. Otherwise, you can update the Times Tables Rock Stars app from the app store. Thank you for supporting your child to learn these essential facts.

#### New Menus

Another reminder that our new menus, which can be found on our school website <u>Cann</u> <u>Hall Primary School - Home (compassps.uk)</u> will start from after the autumn half term on 31.10.22. Meals can be paid via the **My Child at School** App.

Remember, if your child is in EYFS, Year 1 or Year 2, they are entitled to a free school meal every day.

## PTA - Competition



The PTA are running a **Silly Spoon** competition. Every child will have been given a wooden spoon today so that over the half term they can decorate it into anything they like - a butterfly, superhero, a spider etc. Then should they wish to enter their spoon into the competition, for which there will be prizes, they just need to bring their named spoon and 50p into school by Wednesday 2nd November 2022, after which winners will be announced.

## Half Price Offer



In recognition of the challenging times that many families are finding themselves in financially, Colchester United FC have a fantastic offer ahead of October half term. As Cann Hall are one of their partner schools, they are delighted to be able to invite you to book tickets for

the Colchester United vs Stevenage game on **Saturday 29th October**, with a special 50% discount on family tickets.

For each adult ticket purchase, 2 children U11 can attend for free. A free programme is also included for all, so that the children have something to keep and read after the match.

Bookings can only be made in our family stand E5, E6, E7 and E8 using your unique school discount code: **CANNHALL50%02 to get 50% off.** 

If you are interested in this great offer, please book here: <u>https://tickets.colchesterunited.net/Tickets/BuyTickets/SeatSelection/34417</u>



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## COVID Vaccination Clinic & Live Well Drop In Event



## Poppy Appeal

After half term, we will start collecting for this year's Poppy Appeal. We will be selling different official merchandise (for example, poppy reflectors, zip pulls, wrist and snap bands), initially limiting to one item per child, until we have been to all classes around the school.



## Secondary School Applications for September 2023 – Reminder for Year 6 Parents

Here is just another reminder that the statutory closing date for applications from parents of Year 6 children (for a secondary school place in Year 7 from September 2023) is **31st October 2022.** Applications can be made via <u>www.essex.gov.uk/admissions</u>.



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#### More Half term Money Savers



#### Goodbye for Now



Today we say goodbye to Miss Manning, who goes off on her maternity leave, for a very well-earned rest before baby arrives. Mr AB will still be here, keeping us all up to date with any exciting news. I'm as sure you will join us in wishing them all the best of luck and we look forward to meeting the newest addition to their little family.

#### Upcoming dates for your diary (please check our website)

24.10.2022 to 28.10.2022: Half Term
2.11.2022: Flu vaccinations
16.11.2022 & 17.11.2022: Learning Conferences
14.12.22 EYFS, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Dinner (TBC)
15.12.22 Y3, Y4, Y4 & Y6 Christmas Dinner (TBC)
16.12.22 KS2 Church Service at St John's (TBC)
19.12.22 EYFS Christmas Concert (TBC)
19.12.22 EYFS Christmas Songs (TBC)
21.12.2022 to 4.1.2023: Christmas Holidays

Wishing you all a lovely half term break, and we look forward to welcoming you all back into school on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

Kindest regards,

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Sarah Crookes



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