



# Cavendish News



Creating **BRILLIANT** Citizens

30<sup>th</sup> January 2026

A great final week of January, with the children focusing on our value of positivity in their learning.

The children have been very excited for the PTA discos and we look forward to seeing some great dance moves!



Read on to find out more about the pupil survey results and other news.

## Attendance Matters

Last week's whole school attendance was 95.4%

Class winners **were...**

Nursery & Reception

Caterpillars – 99.3%

Y1&2 1SM – 99.3%

Y3&4 4MD - 100%

Y5&6 6MTS - 98%



## Diary Dates

### Coming up this half term...

5<sup>th</sup> Feb: 1SM class assembly

5<sup>th</sup> Feb: Y5 trip to Jodrell Bank

6<sup>th</sup> Feb: Number Day!

10<sup>th</sup> Feb: Safer Internet Day

11<sup>th</sup> Feb: Reception Come & Play session

12<sup>th</sup> Feb: 3MT class assembly

13<sup>th</sup> Feb: 2AT class assembly



### PTA Events next half term...

Early Years Disco Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb

## Reminder!



For Number Day next Friday, we invite the children to come to school dressed as a number!

## Cavendish Values

POSITIVE art work in the Y1&2 hall...



RESPECT    EQUALITY    POSITIVITY  
RESPONSIBILITY    KINDNESS    COURAGE



## Pupil Survey Results

As a Rights Respecting school, we value the importance of the children's thoughts and opinions.

Last term, the children took part in our annual Safety & Wellbeing Survey. Miss Evans, along with the Safety Protectors and Unicef Councillors, have collated the results. Here are the outcomes on **safety**.

96% of children said that they definitely or mostly feel happy at school.

98% of children said that they always or mostly feel safe at school.

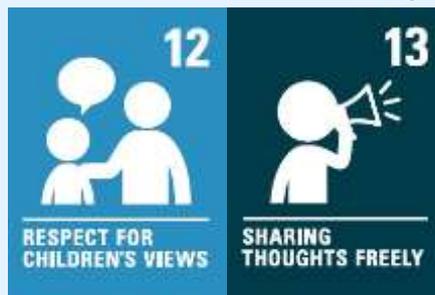
82% of children said that they felt bullying was taken seriously. [yes and sometimes]

92% of children said that there was a trusted adult in school they would talk to if they felt worried or unsafe.

95% of children said that they knew the Cavendish Anti Bullying Pledge.

90% of children said they felt confident about what to do if they were bullied.

The Safety Protectors are meeting to create a plan as a result of these outcomes. We look forward to sharing this very soon.



Next week we will share the survey results based on wellbeing, values and community.



## Meet some of our office staff!



This is Mrs Corinne Leader. She is an Administration Officer here at Cavendish. Her favourite subject at school was art. She enjoys going on holiday with her family, taking walks and all things to do with animals. She loves it when the chicks and reindeers come to school!



This is Mrs Faiza Zia. She is an Administration Officer and SEND admin support here at Cavendish. Her favourite subject at school was maths. So good that she acted as **the teacher's assistant in maths lessons!** She enjoys reading, photography and spending time with my family and friends. She was the fastest runner in my school and won many inter school competitions and I was also one of the best debaters and badminton player in my school and college.



This is Miss Sarah Lynch. She is Finance Officer here at Cavendish. She has worked at Cavendish for 18 years. Her favourite subject at school was biology because the teacher made lesson fun and interesting. She enjoys reading in her spare time and has a passion for travel. She has visited lots of interesting places all over the world! We wonder where her she is planning on visiting next?



By Y6 Journalists Ellia & Olivia



## Early Years (EYFS) Disco for Reception and Nursery

Friday 6th February from 4.15pm - 5.30pm (Rhodes Building)

Tickets £6 (includes glitter tattoo and sweets). Please ensure you enter your child's name and year group at the end of checkout. For reception and nursery children only - sorry no siblings. Please bring a named bottle of water and select a child + adult ticket if you will be attending with your child (please note: adult supervisor tickets are limited to ONE adult per child, or children if **you're supervising more than one, max ratio 4 children to 1 adult**).

Children cannot be left in the care of PTA volunteers.

Book now: <https://www2.ticketebo.co.uk/cavendish-pta/early-years-disco-cavendish-pta-2026>

If there any parents/carers who are not accompanying their child and could be available to volunteer at the Early Years EYFS disco (6th February) event please fill out this form: <https://forms.gle/RUPuXbFpCHNk1efH7>

Cavendish PTA

## early years DISCO

FRIDAY 6TH FEBRUARY  
Nursery & Reception  
4.15pm - 5.30pm

Tickets £6  
(includes sweets & glitter tattoo)

[www.cavendishpta.org.uk/events](http://www.cavendishpta.org.uk/events)



## Raffle donations

We are asking local businesses and organisations if they are kindly able to donate prizes for our hugely popular Easter raffle! If you would like to make a donation, or own a company or work for a business that would like to donate a prize, we welcome anything you could contribute. Last year we had some **incredible prizes and we'd love to make this year bigger than ever** to help support Cavendish Primary School and its pupils. We'll shortly be sharing the raffle prizes on Instagram and Facebook (search for @cavendishpta ) and on our website [www.cavendishpta.org.uk](http://www.cavendishpta.org.uk) where we will tag and link to your business when the raffle goes live. Please email [hello@cavendishpta.org.uk](mailto:hello@cavendishpta.org.uk) to find out more or to donate a prize. Thank you, Cavendish PTA



If you, your business or the company you work for would like to donate a prize for our Easter raffle please email **[hello@cavendishpta.org.uk](mailto:hello@cavendishpta.org.uk)**





## GROWING BRILLIANTLY

# ☆ Your Actions Teach More Than Words Ever Will ☆

Children learn by observing your actions rather than just listening to your words. Here are six concrete tips to model positive behavior:

### 1. Show Kindness in Daily Interactions

Treat store assistants, taxi drivers, and waiters with kindness and respect. Your child will notice and remember these actions more than verbal reminders to be kind.

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### 2. React Calmly in Frustrating Situations

Handle frustrating situations, like someone cutting you off in traffic, calmly and politely. Your child will learn to manage their emotions by watching how you manage yours.

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### 3. Prioritize Face-to-Face Conversations

Pay attention during conversations and avoid distractions like staring at your phone. By demonstrating good listening skills, your child will understand the importance of being present and attentive.

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### 4. Speak Positively About Others and Yourself

Avoid gossiping or speaking negatively about others, and speak positively about yourself. Your child will learn to communicate respectfully and develop a healthy self-image by following your example.

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### 5. Manage Anger Constructively

If you get angry, handle it without raising your voice or being destructive. Show your child healthy ways to express and deal with anger, like taking deep breaths or discussing the problem calmly.

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### 6. Show Gratitude and Appreciation

Regularly express gratitude and appreciation for the things and people in your life. Your child will learn the value of gratitude and develop a positive outlook by seeing you practice it.

Remember, children imitate what they see. By consistently modeling positive behavior, you set a powerful example that shapes their habits, attitudes, and character, guiding them to become kind, respectful, and emotionally intelligent individuals.





## KEEPING SAFE & BEING HAPPY

# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about EA SPORTS FC 26



Our guide looks at the risks surrounding EA Sports FC 26 and our top tips to minimise them. This marks the third year since EA left the FIFA licence, and the game is mostly unchanged from last year. While Kick-Off mode is great for playing with friends and Career Mode allows players to fulfil long-term ambitions as a manager or player, Ultimate Team remains the main draw for many players – and it can get out of hand in terms of how much money players can invest.

### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

#### AN ANNUAL RELEASE SCHEDULE

As was the case with the last two EA Sports FC games and the FIFA series before it, the franchise rolls out once a year with updated squads and new features. This can make it expensive to keep up with, particularly when so many dedicated players are keen to get their hands on the latest edition.

#### VOICE CHAT

Voice chat can be enabled across all platforms, meaning young people can speak to anyone they play with or against. While it can be switched off, some children will no doubt want to speak to their friends while they play. This also means they may encounter strangers much older than them, which can expose them to inappropriate language or behaviours.

#### IN-GAME PURCHASES THROUGH ULTIMATE TEAM

Ultimate Team is the big draw for EA Sports FC, letting players spend real money on packs that they can open to build a squad of the world's best players. They're not always easy to obtain, and new, improved versions of players will be regularly added as limited-time offerings. Young people could feel pressured into spending money and experience fear of missing out.

#### SCAMMERS IN ULTIMATE TEAM

Ultimate Team is managed by EA itself, but that hasn't stopped scammers from looking to dupe players out of money and in-game coins. Some scammers sell their accounts, which is a violation of EA's terms of service, while others will 'sell' coins – something the developer is still working to crack down on. Some try to gain access to others' accounts, potentially giving them access to payment information.

#### POTENTIAL FOR ADDICTION

While EA Sports FC is potentially addictive, thanks to its fast-paced gameplay and mirroring of the real-world skill and glamour of football, Ultimate Team's focus on limited-time rewards and the lottery of winning packs can make it feel closer to gambling than gaming, which may lead to addiction and impulsive spending of money.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### PREPARE FOR ANOTHER GAME IN A YEAR

The annual-release cadence aligns with the return of the school year, and can be a great way to incentivise good behaviour at the start of term. If children are applying themselves and preparing for a new year of school, or were particularly well behaved in the summer, EA Sports FC 26 could make a great reward.

### LIMIT SPENDING

If you're worried about children accidentally spending real money in Ultimate Team, whether in game or on the EA Sports FC companion app, don't link a payment card to their account. Reclaiming funds can be a mountain to climb, and the dopamine hit of opening flashy packs with slick animations means one purchase can lead to another very quickly. It's also worth adding a prepaid card if you'd prefer them to make their own choices with their budget.

### MONITOR VOICE CHAT

As in-game chat is open, be sure to adjust the settings in EA Sports FC 26 to lock it down. If children want to chat with their friends while they play, consider setting up a safe space for them to call, to allow them to play without fear of outsiders.

### BE VIGILANT

As with last year, there are ways to keep scammers at bay. Ensure passwords are locked down, and consider using a password manager application to keep them secure. EA will never contact players through the game itself, so be vigilant with incoming messages, and block and report suspected spam. EA will contact players by email if needed, but they will never ask for usernames or passwords. Players should also avoid buying in-game currency from unofficial websites – doing so can lead to accounts being banned and could cost players money in the process.