



New Cangle Community Primary School

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20th October 2022,

Dear parents and carers,

Parents' Evening

It was great to see so many parents come into school for parents' evening last night. We also had virtual appointments that took place the night before and 86% of children had a parent attend either session. Our next parents' evening will be in February and we will be planning to do that face-to-face only, as this is the preference of most parents/carers.

Harvest Collection for Reach foodbank

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the Reach foodbank.



Covid, coughs and colds

We are seeing covid cases pick up again in school, with both children and staff, as is happening nationally. However, staff and children are not advised to test. NHS advice is that children should only be kept off school if they are unwell, as follows:

What to do if your child has symptoms

Your child should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people if they have symptoms of COVID-19 and they either:

- *have a high temperature*
- *do not feel well enough to go to school, college or childcare, or do their normal activities*

They can go back to school, college or childcare when they feel better or do not have a high temperature.

If your child has mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat or mild cough, and they feel well enough, they can go to school, college or childcare.

For more details see:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/coronavirus-in-children/>

Data Collection Sheets

After half-term all parents will be receiving a copy of the key contact information we hold for your child. It is very important that parents review this and let us know about any changes to telephone numbers or emails.

Physical activity at break time and lunch time – outdoor shoes

We are determined to allow the children as much opportunity as possible to get physical activity at break and lunch times and would like the children to continue to use the school field and woods throughout the winter. Therefore, we are requesting that parents send in outdoor footwear for their children to use.



This can be wellies, trainers, walking boots or football boots. As they will be kept outside, we do not recommend that any expensive items are kept at school. Children who do not have outdoor footwear will still be able to play but not on the field or in the woods. We are aware that mud on clothes can be a frustration for parents, especially with our keen footballers. When the field is very wet we will be stopping football but we are trying to allow the children as much access as possible to physical activity and we would rather see a bit of mud on clothes with happy active children.

Friends of the Cangle – AGM 14th November

Many children were disappointed that there was no Hallowe'en disco this year. However, discos are run by the Friends of the Cangle, who are a small group of parents who organise these events. Without more parents volunteering for events, they cannot go ahead. Last July, the summer fair took place, which many parents and children enjoyed. However, only a few parents volunteered to help out with the fair and it was only able to take part due to the few parents and school staff that did volunteer. Helping out at events need only be a few hours a year and will really make a difference about whether these events, that the children love, take place. Please contact friendsofthecangle@gmail.com to get more involved and make these fun events happen for your children.

Autumn Reading Challenge

Get Suffolk Reading are setting the following reading challenge for the next few weeks. How many of these challenges can your child complete? Perhaps you can find some of these books at home or pop down to the local library over half-term and see if you can search out any of them there.



School is open as normal tomorrow and the half-term break will begin on Saturday. Have a lovely half-term and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 31st October.

Yours faithfully,

J. Brading

Headteacher