

Cantrell Primary School Newsletter 10th March 2023



INDUSTRIAL ACTION. The NEU has formally notified employers that strike action will take place on **Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March 2023** in relation to a national dispute over pay. Whilst we will make every effort to open the school on the day, indications are that some classes will be closed to children. Having assessed the impact and potential risks, and after consultation with the Chair of Governors, we can inform you that school will open only to the following classes:

Wednesday 15th March
Thursday 16th March

6A	3A	3B	1B	open
6A	5A	5B		open

All other classes will be closed to children. This may be subject to change at short notice so please lookout for messages on Class Dojo. Children entitled to free school meals as assessed by Pupil Benefits will receive a £5 food voucher per child to cover lunch on these days.

ATTENDANCE. Maintaining **94.3%** for the academic year so far which is great! **213** children are In It To Win It week six. Children at school every day from 16th January to 24th March will receive a prize just in time for Easter! Class results for last week:

Class RA: 93.1%	Class RB: 95.1%	Class 1A: 95.8%	Class 1B: 95.4%	Class 2A: 96.4%	Class 2B: 96%	Class 3A: 95.4%
Class 3B: 94.4%	Class 4A: 95.3%	Class 4B: 92.5%	Class 5A: 97.4%	Class 5B: 96%	Class 6A: 96.7%	Class 6B: 98.1%

HOLIDAYS IN TERM-TIME. A further reminder that no holidays are being authorised this academic year and fixed penalty fines will be issued.

E-SCOOTERS. We've witnessed a number of incidents of these being driven at high speed on the roads around school. This is unlawful, highly dangerous, and could result in a fatal accident. We have been advised to report incidents to the police. Riders should wear a helmet for safety with one person on each scooter.

CANTRELL'S READING CHALLENGE WEEK 2. Our first 100%!!! Congratulations class 4B, a fantastic effort - all children read 4 or more times this week 🏆🏆🏆. Most classes improved their scores this week, but it is possible to do even better. Remember for our youngest children, parents can sign their reading diary if they have shared and discussed a story at home, alongside listening to them read. Our aim for this competition is to develop a love of reading, with a healthy bit of competitive spirit added in for good measure! 😊.

POP-UP SPRING GIVEAWAY. TIME FOR A SPRING CLEAN! The school governors and champion volunteers will be organising another pop-up stall after the previous successful winter stalls at the end of the last term. This terms giveaway will take place on the afternoon of Friday 31st March. Once again, we would like to co-ordinate the distribution of Cantrell school uniform you may have at home along with any other clothes, coats, second-hand books, shoes, and unwanted presents suitable for children of any age group. Please make sure all clothes are washed before donating. We would greatly appreciate your donation. This is a wonderful way to have a Spring clean and support the Cantrell school community at the same time. Next week we will tell you when to bring these items into school. **BECOMING A CANTRELL CHAMPION VOLUNTEER.** We are continuing to build our group of volunteers to help support different community activities, including the pop-up giveaways. Please speak to Nicola Curzon or Ralph Surman for more information and to offer help and support for the Spring Giveaway.

RED NOSE DAY FRIDAY 17th MARCH. This will be a non-uniform day and we are encouraging children to wear something red. Red noses are welcome, including homemade ones, or the use of make-up/face paint. Please note, the official Red Nose site states the following in relation to the new official 2023 noses: 'Noses are not suitable for children under 7 years of age due to small parts.' At Cantrell, we are not collecting donations this year. However, if you want to contribute to this charity, you can follow this link:

<https://www.comicrelief.com/rednoseday>.