The Cathedral School Newsletter

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Autumn Term

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A Different Menu Next Week

15.10.16 PTA Dreamcatcher photos **18.10.16** Tempest Photographers EYFS Curriculum Meeting, 6.30-7.30

NEW DATE

19.10.16 Grandparents Afternoon

20.10.16 PTA Cake Sale, Y6/R

14.10.16 2nd Hand Uniform Sale

20.10.16 Celebration assembly, 9am PTA Cake Sale, 3.20 pm

21.10.16 Non Pupil Day

24.10.16 Half term

08.11.16 Parent Consultations, 5-8pm

09.11.16 Parent Consultations, 4-7pm

16.11.16 Bags2School collection

22.11.16 Y3 Christmas workshop at Chelmsford Cathedral

24.11.16 Advent Eucharist,

Chelmsford Cathedral, 2pm

25.11.16 Whole school bake for Bazaar

26.11.16 Christmas Bazaar, 11-2pm

01.12.16 Final Swimming session Barnardos Carol Concert at Westminster Cathedral

7.12.16 KSI Production, 6 pm

16.12.16 FS Nativity to parents 4pm

19.12.16 Carol Service, Cathedral

21.12.16 Break up for Christmas

05.01.17 Return to school

10.2.17 Non Pupil Day

31.03.17 Break up for Easter

18.04.17 Return to school

01.05.17 Bank holiday

26.05.16 Lunchtime Concert, Chelmsford Cathedral

29.05.17 Half term

05.06.17 Non Pupil Day (except Y6)
Y6 pupils go to the Isle
of Wight

06.06.17 Return to school

Head's Message

It has been a particularly busy week with several the teachers out of school for professional development including Maths mastery, Science, the Essex Deputy Head conference and the Global curriculum project. Occasionally some CPD happens simultaneously with ill health and we are not able to manage this inhouse. We have been fortunate to secure good supply teachers who have worked with us closely. I particularly enjoyed teaching Year 6 this morning as they pursued objectives related to narrative poetry. I will be continuing with my Guided Reading Group on Monday as we continue with the complex language of "The Lady of Shalott" by Alfred Lord Tennyson.

On Wednesday morning, Mrs Howarth – Owen, represented the Governors and accompanied me to the Chelmsford Teaching School Alliance Conference where we had useful discussion and looked at future developments as well as hearing Dave Keeling who is a challenging keynote speaker.

Time to reflect is important for all of us, including the children. There is always time provided for reflection in worship; this often leads to some interesting responses; exploring kindness this week led to a reminder of the qualities we value and some big smiles as people undertook and were the recipients of "Random Acts of Kindness".

A reminder that next Friday is a staff training day and a Non Pupil Day for parents.

Best wishes

Linda Wiskin

Lunch Menu Next Week

There is a different menu next week for pupils. Mrs Orrell will be using food in her stock cupboard to make room for her food order for the new menu after the half term holiday. Menus were emailed to parents this week.



Tempest Photographers

The School Photographers will be visiting us next Tuesday to take individual and school sibling photographs. If parents would like to have photographs taken with pre-school siblings, please arrive by 8 am and sign in at the Office.

Bags2School

These collecting bags were sent home with your child on Tuesday this week. Please take the time over the half term holiday to sort through unwanted clothing and shoes and return the bag by 9th November but not before the half term holiday as we do not have storage facilities.

Items of bedding, towels, curtains or uniforms are not accepted.

Orchestra Rehearsal Next Tuesday

The rehearsal next Tuesday will only be for the Violin players.

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Complimentary Tickets to Watch Chelmsford City Play

Chelmsford City Football Club have offered The Cathedral School 50 free tickets for one parent and one child for their forthcoming football match against Hemel Hempstead Town at 3pm on Saturday 22nd October.

The match kicks off at 3pm but there will be an opportunity for a tour of the ground for those arriving at 1pm. Key Stage 2 pupils who can arrive early also have the chance to be selected either as a ball collector or to take part in the half-time shootout competition. Could any interested parties please email the school office with their ticket requirements and express if their child would be available for one of the roles listed above.

Secondary School Application A Reminder for Y6 Parents

The closing date for applications from parents of Year 6 children (for a secondary place in Year 7 from September 2017) is **31st October 2016.** Applications can be made via the website www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

Community News

Men2 Sing and New City Voices will perform in a Charity Concert for CHESS on Saturday 19th November, 7pm at Christ Church, New London Road. For more information and to book tickets www.chelmsfordchess.org/concert

Juice Kitchen

Have you visited the Juice Bar in the High Street? They are offering Cathedral School parents a 10% discount on all purchases.

Chelmsford Ideas Festival 22nd Oct—12th Nov

This event celebrates the creativity of everyone in Chelmsford, past and present and encourages everyone to join in creating a thriving future. There are a host of free opportunities for both adults and children throughout the event. For further information please go to: www.ideasfestivalchelmsford.org

1st North Springfield Scout Group Family Firework Evening

This event will take place on Saturday 22nd October at Boswells



Football Tournament

On Monday 10th October, nine year 6 children went to Great Baddow High school for a football tournament. There were 6 games and they won 4 of them. It was amazingly close throughout and they showed good team spirit all the way through.

They came 4th which was a great result and they look forward to the next game of the season. Well done to Alisha, Archie D, Alfie, Sam Sa, Sam Su, Seb, Zach, Oscar and James B.

Alisha and Alfie thought James B was an excellent goal keeper and the tournament was really fun.

By Colette and Esther (Media Group) interviewing Alisha and Alfie

League Football Match

On Friday 7th October, nine football players travelled to Great Waltham Primary school to play their first game of the season. When they arrived they warmed up and shook hands with the other team. Oscar F scored three goals securing a 3-2 victory. After the match they congratulated the other team and were given refreshments. By Freya (Media Group) and Archie D (Captain)

Cross Country Race

On Wednesday 12th October pupils from year 1 and year 2 travelled to Melbourne to take part in a cross country race. They ran against 19 other schools. First, Year 2 girls ran then the year 2 boys. **After** that it was year 1 girls then the year 1 boys. When they finished they had water and watched other schools compete. Written By Freya, Annie R H, Ella H and Adam W.



PTA Dream Catcher Photography TOMORROW

The photographer will be visiting school tomorrow (Saturday), if you have booked a session, you will have received an email advising the time. If you have not booked but would like family photographs taken, please arrive at 1 pm. You will be asked to pay £10 deposit on the day, which will entitle you to a 7 x 5 portrait of your choice.

Letters sent out this Week

KS1 Cross Country Race—selected children Chelmsford Cathedral Chorister Open Day for Y3/4 Boys Invitation for parents to E-Safety Workshop at St Cedds School Lunch Menu for Next week.