

# The Cathedral School Newsletter

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## Autumn Term

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**Week 1— NEW MENU**

**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" and non-uniform day.

**26.11.16** Christmas Bazaar, 11-2pm

**01.12.16** Final Swimming session  
Barnardos Carol Concert at Westminster Cathedral

**03.12.16** Christmas Fayre, Chelmsford Cathedral

**06.12.16** Infant Production, afternoon

**7.12.16** KS1 Production, 6 pm

**08.12.16** Scrooge Panto performance

**16.12.16** FS Nativity to parents 4pm

**19.12.16** Carol Service, Cathedral 6.30pm

**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

What a wonderful response to School Council's initiative of a "Bake off" for Children in Need today!

All those involved should be very pleased with the outcomes. It was clear the children had thoroughly enjoyed the experience of cooking with their families and I was delighted to receive an email from a parent commenting on how much the process has been enjoyed at home.

Thanks are due to the organisers supported by the staff team in particular Miss O'Toole who was aided by Miss Pool on the day, along with Mrs Cuthill, Mrs Kilbey and Mrs Peters to name a few.

This week I gave in and started preparing items for first Advent and then Christmas. Christmas does indeed "come early" when you are a school performing at "Christmas events starting in November as they must.

I am looking forward to attending both the School Christmas Bazaar and the Cathedral Christmas Fayre in the next two weeks or so. Tomorrow I will be my Church event in Woodford; hence I caused some amusement apparently buying up many of the children's cakes!

As we look towards the events at the end of term, it falls to me to announce that Mrs Hayes is planning to leave us at Christmas after twenty one years. How welcome Mrs Hayes made me feel when I first walked through the door of the Cathedral School is one of the reasons I wanted to join the team. She has had such an important role to play in the school, one that she has fulfilled supporting so many

children, parents and staff over the years that we all miss her hugely and of course being Mrs Hayes, she does not want any fuss!

We are not seeking to replace Mrs Hayes, but we are seeking a new member of staff to join the office team to take on some of her roles. The advert and job description for an administrative role have just gone live on the ECC website.

My best wishes for a happy weekend.

Linda Wiskin

## Non Uniform Day

Next Friday will be a Non Uniform Day for pupils. Children may come to school wearing smart, appropriate casual clothes, in lieu of a donation of either a bottle of alcohol or soft drink which will be used on the adult and children's bottle Tombola at the Christmas Bazaar the following day. All bottles should be unopened and unused.

## Advent Eucharist

Parents and friends are invited to join us at the Cathedral on Thursday next week at 2 pm for our Advent Eucharist, which will include Christingles (Year 3) and parts of the service led by Middle school and the choir.

## KS1 Visit to Colchester Zoo

Children in Classes 3, 4 and 5 will visit Colchester Zoo next Friday. For Health and Safety reasons, children should wear school uniform and comfortable shoes. If your child has a Gold Card, please bring into school on Monday please.

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## Community News

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

## Becky's Beauty Room

Offering 10% discount to all Cathedral parents during November. Gift vouchers available to give a loved one a special treat! Located near the school. Details are available in office reception area.

## A Concert by Caprice Essex Wind Orchestra

Christmas Nowell with guest singer Deborah Anderson will take place on Saturday 3rd December at 7.30 pm at Chelmsford Cathedral. All proceeds will be donated to Farleigh Hospice and Hellen Rollason. Tickets are priced at £10 and are available from the Orchestra Manager, Tel: 01245 465718, Allegro Music, High Street, Chelmsford and all Farleigh Hospice Shops.

## Teddy Bear Sleep Out for CHES

This year CHES Homeless have launched their first 'Teddy Bear Sleep-out'. We have been working with CHES to help develop this event and our school council appeared with their teddies, together with 'Chessney Bear' the CHES mascot, in the local papers.

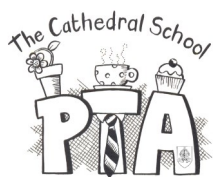
Children are invited to bring their teddy into school, (for a £1 donation) to have a sleep-out for the night on Thursday 1st December.

All teddies will be well looked after and returned the following day!

Please see the attached letter for further details, Thank you for your support.

## Carol Concert at Westminster Cathedral

Children have attended rehearsals this week for this concert. If you haven't already done so, please pay for the cost of the coach for your child, which is £15.00 or £10.00 for a one way travel.



With just over a week to go until the PTA Christmas bazaar preparations are in full swing. We are still looking for volunteers to help with your class stall or general support the day before at school, and before, during and after the bazaar next Saturday. The more assistance we get the easier it is for everyone to enjoy the event.

Thank you for the donations we have received so far. We still need further donations to make the bazaar a success. Next Friday we hope you will bring a bottle as a donation for our bottle tombola, this is a very popular stall. The bottles are placed on a numbered grid and you then pull out a number and if it ends 0 or 5 you are a winner. We have an alcoholic and non alcoholic stall so donations of either would be much appreciated.

The jam jars is another very popular stall, this works in the same way with a numbered grid and you can fill the jam jars with anything from sweets (wrapped only please) to hairbands, small toys, the list is endless. Toys are used for the games room and specifically the washing line game, where the children get to pick their prize, new toys, books, games, and puzzles are all welcome. Small items are great for the games room which has lots of great games for the children to enjoy. We are also looking for cake donations, beauty products, raffle prizes, Mince pies and mulled wine. Please leave your donations in the buckets outside the classrooms or with the school office. Cakes can be brought in next Friday or on the morning of the bazaar.

We have a giant teddy this year for name the teddy, I'm sure many children will want to take it home! We have a new room this year, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory for the children to enjoy and the school are running their enterprise event again.

We have some fantastic raffle prizes so please don't forget to buy your raffle tickets even if you can't attend the bazaar on the day you can still win a prize. Buying the tickets in advance allows you more time at the bazaar rather than queuing for your tickets as this does get very busy on the day. We will also have a cloakroom on the day to store coats and buggies for a small few and second hand uniform will be on sale so pick up a uniform bargain! There will be hot food on sale in our Christmas cafe in the hall or enjoy a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie whilst taking the children to visit Santa!

If you have any questions or would like any more information please do not hesitate to get in touch. The bazaar is always a lovely day for the children. This is one of our biggest fundraising events of the year and such a lovely event for the children. Thank you for your support.

## Letters sent out this Week

'Seussical' at Boswells, Y6  
CHES Teddy Bear Sleep Out, Whole School  
Advent and Christmas Workshop

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## Melbourne Cross-Country Race

On 17<sup>th</sup> November 2016, some pupils from years 5 and 6 went to Melbourne for a cross country race. Catherine F, Frederick J, Olivia M, Olivia C, Ellie T, Emily P, Euan T, Ollie R-P, Samuel H, Sharon A, Imogen H, Antonia B, Evie C, William H, Zachary H, James B, Archie D and Ava C, all participated in the race. The athletes ran extremely well; even though there was very rough weather. They ran against about 150 opponents. All of them did really well, Catherine C came 28<sup>th</sup> and Frederick J came 6<sup>th</sup>. The runners all felt really nervous before the race and proud but exhausted after.

By Scarlett and Collette (media group) interviewing Catherine and Frederick

## BOWLS REPORT

On Tuesday, 15th November 2016, ten pupils from The Cathedral School went to a training session at Falcons Bowls club. It was a fun and active afternoon and all the pupils enjoyed it. The children took part along with New Hall and Kings Road Schools. There were six activities: two of them with artificial woods in the lounge and four on the actual rink with real woods. Some of the children won chocolate bars for hitting the target in one game. The team will go on to compete in a proper tournament on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

By Esther W and Freya P interviewing Andreas H and James COME AND TRY BOWLS

The Falcon Bowling and Social Club are encouraging family to bring their children to Junior Come-And-Try sessions on Fridays from 4.15pm to 5.15pm. Entrance is free and includes a drink and a snack. Call 01245 442244 or email [falcon-bowls@supanet.com](mailto:falcon-bowls@supanet.com) for more details. The club website is [www.falconbowlingclub.co.uk](http://www.falconbowlingclub.co.uk)



## Class 8 Artwork

Class 8 have taken part in an art project led by an visiting professional this week; Mrs Lynas and her team. With the help of parents and grandparents in the class they produced this wonderful creation as a permanent display of Noah's Ark in the hall.



## Children in Need Bake Off

The Cathedral School Bake was a huge success. We have managed to raise over £300. The official number will be given next week. Thank you to all the children who baked the delicious treats. Thank you to the support of all those buying the cakes at the end of the day and to our kitchen staff who were the independent judges. The School Council worked extremely hard throughout the day, a good team effort. Well done to all.

