

The Cathedral School Newsletter

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Autumn Term

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Diary Dates

Week 3

- 03.12.16** Christmas Fayre, Chelmsford Cathedral
06.12.16 Infant Production, after noon
7.12.16 KSI Production, 6 pm
08.12.16 Scrooge Panto performance
09.12.16 FS Learning Journey, 3.30 - 3.45 pm
14.12.16 Christmas Lunch
Wear a Christmas jumper to school day for Cancer Research
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
25.01.17 FS Learning Journey, 3.30 - 3.45 pm
10.02.17 Non Pupil Day
17.03.17 FS Learning Journey, 3.30 - 3.45 pm
19.12.16 Celebration Assembly, 9am
Carol Service at the Cathedral, 6.30 pm
21.12.16 Break up for Christmas
05.01.17 Return to school
23.01.17 Parent Online Safety Session, 1.15—3.00 pm
25.01.17 FS Learning Journey
10.02.17 Non Pupil Day
21.03.17 Y4 Easter Workshop
31.03.17 Break up for Easter
18.04.17 Return to school
01.05.17 Bank holiday
10.05.17 Roman Centurion Day
FS Learning Journey, 3.30—3.45 pm
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
23.06.17 FS Learning Journey, 3.30 - 3.45 pm
24.06.17 PTA Inflatable Day

Head's Message

A huge well done to all the children who took part in the Barnardos Christmas Concert last night and of course to the staff, Mrs Cuthill and Mrs Miller, and our wonderful parent helpers; Mr Crane, Mrs Thomas and Mrs Harris. It was a fantastic acoustic to sing in and an exciting atmosphere. The children walked to Westminster Abbey and The Houses of Parliament between the rehearsal and the concert; they worked together well and when we had to leave the hall and the service had not finished in the Cathedral, we sat in the crypt with a group of schools in silence for over half an hour behaving totally appropriately. It was an absolute pleasure to take them and we should all be very proud of them.

This morning many of the same children presented their work on Kenya; the Lion King and play scripts, speaking with confidence and performing on the stage, a thoroughly creative and joined up approach to their learning that enhances the experience. Roman Day is their next chance to immerse themselves and learn about the subject.

In the meantime, Advent is a very busy time in school as we prepare for the feast of Christmas.

Our musicians will be playing at 11am at the Christmas Fayre in the Cathedral on Saturday, supported by staff members; though going by may lack of practice, Mrs Miller may regret insisting I play my Flugel Horn.

We are concentrating on making sure we stay healthy, from hats and gloves(labelled please) to our healthy snacks and careful hygiene.

A big thank you to the PTA for all their hard work with the Christmas Bazaar

last Saturday. The school was transformed into Christmas Land and it was a joy to see the look of glee on children's faces.

I wish everyone a happy and healthy weekend

Best wishes

Linda Wiskin

Music events

Saturday 3rd Dec (11.45-11.30)- Orchestra and Flute Choir at the Cathedral Christmas Fayre

Tuesday 6th December WI Carol service at the Cathedral

Thursday 8th December Choir singing at The Cathedral (7.15-8.30) J's Hospice Service

Friday 9th December 12-1pm ; Choir singing at The Railway Station for Poverty in Action.

Tuesday 13th December Choir singing at Bal-moral Court

Wednesday 14th Dec. Choir singing at Haven-court

Monday 19th December Choir singing at Tyrell Lodge

Monday 19th December 6.30pm School Carol Service in The Cathedral

Tuesday 20th December Choir in Library 10-11am

Christmas Post Box

The Post Box will be out from Monday next week for children to post their Christmas Cards.



School Clubs

Clubs finish for the term on Friday **9th December**, with the exception of Mr Gilmour's Hockey Club, where the last training session will take place **TODAY**.

Tri Golf will have **two sessions** on **Friday 9th December** to make up for the cancelled lesson, one in the morning before school and also after school.

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Christmas Jumpers for Cancer Research

Our Christmas Lunch is on Wednesday 14th December. We are also inviting children to come to school wearing a Christmas Jumper for a donation of £1 in aid of Cancer Research.



COMMUNITY CORNER

Free Family Christmas Event at ARU—TOMORROW

This event will include real reindeer, stilt walkers, Christmas craft workshop, Elf jugglers and Christmas Biscuit decorating. There will be a party from 10.30 am—12.30 pm with Frozen's Elsa, Anna and Olaf. Photo booth with free photos and much more.

Juice Kitchen

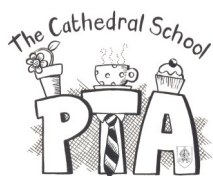
Have you visited the Juice Bar in the High Street? They are offering Cathedral School parents a 10% discount on all purchases.

A Concert by Caprice Essex Wind Orchestra TOMORROW

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.

CHESS

Many thanks to the children who brought their teddies in for the sleep out. We raised £190.00.



Many thanks to everyone who came and supported us on Saturday last week. The day was a great success and we hope everyone enjoyed themselves. We are pleased to advise that we raised in the region of £3,000. We have some expenses to be taken out of this, but we have also secured fund matching for the day. As soon as we have a firm figure we will let you know.

There are a number of raffle prizes that have not been claimed and if you are a winner, you will have received an email from the School Office.



Piano Competition

On 11th November 2016, four children: Ollie, Joely, William and George went to Trinity Methodist Church and competed in a piano competition. Joely played Arietta, William and George played Jack in the box and Ollie played La donna e mobile. Joely and George got 85 marks with distinction, Ollie got 83 marks with merit and William got 56 marks with merit. Ollie said 'It was rather frightening playing in front of an audience but once I started it, it was fun.'

By Annie R-H(media group) interviewing Ollie R-P



Finn Kerrison won the most improved handwriter.

Chelmsford Competitive Festival

William Michael achieved 84, a merit, in the 8 and under set piece class, while George Cairns came 2nd in that class with 86, a distinction. Joely Lee and Oliver R-P entered the grade1 class and Joely came 2nd with a distinction mark of 85, while Oliver gained a merit mark of 83. Well done everyone.



Roman Workshop Day



We have a Roman workshop in school for Classes 6, 7 and 8 on Tuesday 10th January. The PTA have generously agreed to fund this day so all we ask, is that children dress up as a Roman to bring this day of active learning to life. A letter giving further details has been emailed home this week.

Grenville Nurseries

Thinking of having a real tree this Christmas? Need a stand or Christmas wreath? Please check out Grenville Nurseries at Writtle as they will donate to the school with every purchase! Just quote Cathedral School PTA 2016. Many thanks. Thank you so much. Marion Kerri-



Letters sent out this Week

Roman Workshop—Classes 6, 7 and 8

Pantomime, whole school

Chinese Mandarin Club Y5/6

Gifted and Talented Maths, selected Y5 children

KS1 Production Final Arrangements for Evening Performance, Classes 3, 4 and 5