The Cathedral School Newsletter

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Spring Term

NEXT DINNER MENU is

Our Winter Term Menu

Week I Click here

Diary Dates

- 01.02.18 Y5/6 Cross Country Hylands 06.02.18 Girls Away Football Chancellor Park 08.02.18 Y3/4 Cross Country Chelmer Park 09.02.18 Non-Pupil Day Half Term 12.02.18 - 16.02.18 19.02.18 Return to School 22.02.18 Lent Service Cathedral 2pm Boys Football (WHU Newham) 23.02.18 Girls Football Home St Annes 16.03.18 Boys/Girls Football Home Boreham 27.03.18 Easter Service Cathedral 2pm 29.03.18 End of Spring Term Easter Break 30.03.18 - 13.04.18 16.04.18 Summer Term begins 10.05.18 Ascension Service Cathedral 2pm 14.05.18 SATs Week begins 22.05.18 Class/Group Photos
- 25.05.18 Summer Lunchtime Concert Cathedral

Half Term 28.05.18 - 01.06.18

04.06.18	Non Pupil Day
	Y6 Isle of Wight Trip
13.06.18	Hockey Tournament Chelmer Park
16.06.18	PTA Summer Ball
	Essex County Cricket Ground
20.06.18	Sports Day EYFS/KSI am - KS2 pm
18.07.18	Leavers Service Cathedral
	6:30pm
20.07.18	Last Day of Summer Term

Dear Parents,

A busy sporting week, following last week's basketball finals and the swimming gala at Boswells. A great effort from all the children and the commitment of the staff to these opportunities is appreciated and valued.

Hopefully by now, everyone is aware that Waterloo Lane will not be opened for through traffic with the city centre developments. The argument against was well fought, but I understand from the Councillor who visited us n that it was discovered that this proposed project would make no discernible improvement to the traffic. We are delighted we will remain a quiet oasis!

Speaking of which, we are extremely concerned about parents parking outside the school.

Safety is of utmost importance and parking in inappropriate spaces endangers the children crossing.

Anyone parking blocking the view and access will be approached by the school to remind them next week before police patrol officers become involved.

The ICT suite is being set up on Monday so the rest of the new computers come into use. Mr Spencer has decorated the suite and almost all the building work is finished.

Our thanks again to Shell UK for their generous donation of computers, screens and other IT items that have made such a difference to what we can provide to the children.

I hope the weather holds for the Scouts Leaders who are re-felting their shed tomorrow!

Best wishes

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The PTA Summer Ball will be at Essex County Cricket Ground on Saturday 16 June, 6.30pm (dinner served at 7.30pm) until midnight.

PTA News

The Summer Ball is our second biggest fundraiser, after the Christmas Bazaar, and we would very much like as many parents, carers and staff who wish to, to join us for this occasion.

The cost, unchanged from last year, is £45 per person. This includes a welcome drink on arrival, a 3 course waiter service meal followed by tea/coffee (wine/beer may be ordered separately), and a disco afterwards.

We hold a 'silent auction' on the night, where you can bid for unique gifts or prizes, and our summer raffle is also drawn at the Ball. The dress code is 'black tie'.

Tables are usually for 10 people, and if you book a table as a '10' you can guarantee who you will be sitting with on the night. However if you are part of a smaller group or a couple, please do still complete a booking form, and we can seat you together with other couples or small groups. There will be a space on the booking form for your child's year group – this is so we can seat you with other parents/carers from the same year, if possible.

The booking form for the Ball will be coming out via scopay prior to half term, so now is a great time to get your table together, and decide who will be the lead name – that is the person who organises your table booking, collates menu choices, etc.! A £20 per person non-refundable deposit will be required, which is paid online via MyDonate. All the details you will need will be included on the booking form. The menu will be advised closer to the event (we ask everyone to choose their menu options prior to the Ball).

Tables will be allocated on a 'first come first served' basis, so booking forms will need to be handed to the school office so they can be logged in the order they are received, however we do hope that we will be able to accommodate everyone who wishes to attend.

If you would like any more information please ask a member of the PTA Committee or email pta@cathedralschool.essex.sch.uk

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Basketball County Finals

On Friday 19th January, 10 pupils took part in the county basketball finals after winning the Chelmsford basketball completion. The team won their first match against Howe Green 6-2 and drew with Bournemouth 6-6 as well as drawing with Wentworth 6-6. That then meant they qualified for the Super 8s for the first time. While playing in the Super 8s, they showed brilliant team work. They played well and the results were 12-8 to Friars 10-8 to Lee Chapel and 18-2 to St Peters. Everyone did fantastically and Euan said if I had to do it all



again I would. The team were: Olivia C, Olivia M, Annie, Catherine, Ellie, Euan, Al, Elijah, Jamal and Tosin.

By Olivia M (Media Group)



Swimming Gala

On Wednesday 24th January, 4 schools and 60 children took part in a swimming gala at Boswells. We had 14 children from our school; Imogen, Juliet, Rebekah, Adam, William R, Euan, Ellie, Jonathan, Annie, Olivia, Cameron, Ava, Kit and Beatrice. We placed 4th overall.

Rebekah, Year 5, said, "I was actually quite scared – but in the end, it was really fun – even though we didn't come first."

Meanwhile, Cameron, Year 6, said, "I found it quite challenging that we were against other schools but I am really glad we did it because we wouldn't have achieved what we did." Well done to everyone who participated.

By Juliet (Media Group)



Crazy socks for Kenya!

On 30th January we would like to invite children to attend school in their usual school uniform but wearing crazy socks or tights for a donation of £1.

As some of you may know we have had a partner school based in Embu, Kenya for many years now and we try to continue our link work with the teachers and pupils there in every way pos-

sible. This year, over the February half term, both Mrs Russell and Miss O'Toole will be heading over to work on aspects of critical thinking and problem solving with the staff and children as well as visiting local schools and churches in the nearby community.

Any additional donations of colouring pencils would be gratefully received as these can be given directly to the children in St Peters, our partner school.

Socks can be crazy colours, a mix matched pair or coloured/ patterned tights.

The day is sure to be enjoyed with valuable funds helping our partner school, which our children have really enjoyed finding out about.

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Drawing Competition

A drawing completion is being run by children of the Drawing Club. The competition opens today and closes on 26th January. The competition will be judged by Miss O'Toole, Mrs Prentice, Mrs Kannard and Finley W, there will be prizes for winners and runners up per year group. Pupils can draw in school or choose to create the artwork at home.

Nature is the theme and entries are to be on a named A4 sheet of paper with their year and class. The artwork is to use only colouring pencils. This has to be an independent drawing unfortunately we cannot accept parental assistance.

Winners will be announced 30th January 2018

