



The Cathedral School Newsletter

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Friday 15th November 2019

Headteacher Message

Dear Parents

Thanks you to everyone who has supported our events this week whether you attended worship led by Class 7, bought your children's art at the exhibition, or will purchase the pictures from our exciting Owl experience.

We hope you found Parent's Evenings helpful as we continue to work in partnership to achieve the best for our children. If you took a paper copy of the survey, please return them to Mr Gilmour as soon as possible. We will publish the outcomes in due course. If there is something you are not happy about, please contact the school and we will do our very best to resolve the situation to the satisfaction of all.

Friendship day quietly permeates the ethos of the school. One of our Governors was told by a child at lunchtime that she was being particularly kind to someone today. Each child had been given a name and no one knew who was partnered with who. The pupil was enthusiastic and felt very happy about the strategy.

On an administrative note, I need to remind you when you are booking holidays to be very clear of the term dates and avoid taking holidays in term time. There is a gradual deterioration in the schools attendance figures which is essentially caused by additional days attached to holidays or odd days during term time which impacts on children's learning and damages the school.

It is only two weeks to our fantastic Christmas Fair and festivities, something very much on my mind as I ordered the Head Teacher's Turkey for the raffle draw.

Wishing everyone a happy and dry weekend.

Linda Wiskin

Diary Dates

Nov Boccia Kurling Archery Festival

18 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm @ Melbourne
Invited pupils

Nov After School KS1 Running Club Cancelled

18 3:20 pm - 4:15 pm @ School
Due to staff training the running club is cancelled

Nov Netball Match

18 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm @ Our lady Immaculate

Nov Year 3 Christmas Workshop

19 10:00 am - 2:30 pm @ Cathedral

Nov Autumn Term Swimming Lessons - Middle School

20 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm @ Riverside

Nov School Tour for Prospective Parents - Admission 2020

21 11:00 am - 12:00 pm @ School

Nov Parents Forum

22 9:00 am - 10:00 am @ School

Nov School Tour for Prospective Parents - Admission 2020

25 9:00 am - 10:00 am @ School

Nov EYFS Phonics Workshop

25 9:15 am - 10:15 am @ School
Invitation only limited to 12 parents

Nov Keep on reading books to be returned by years 3 & 4

25 @ School

Nov EYFS Phonics Workshop

26 9:15 am - 10:15 am @ School
Invitation only limited to 12 parents

Nov School Tour for Prospective Parents - Admission 2020

26 11:00 am - 12:00 pm @ School

Nov EYFS to the Library

26 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm @ Library

To Access Our Online Calendar [Click Here](#)



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Friendship Friday 2019

Today we celebrated 'Friendship Friday'. This is part of the national 'Anti-bullying Week 2019'. There are many books about friendship which you can share with your child at home, such as the series of Elmer stories or The Rainbow Fish; which celebrate differences among friends.

Navigating the internet and social media can be a tricky business. It's important to talk to your child about their behaviour online and how to make sure they aren't contributing to any negative behaviour. Childline has a great web page which can support you with this conversation. If you think your child is at risk of cyberbullying or would like more information about the online apps they are using, Net Aware is an excellent source of information for parents. They also have a free advice line for parents around online safety.

ECO TEAM NEWS



Please help 'The Big Climate Fightback'

Pledge to plant a tree in your garden, take part in a tree planting event or help to spread the word and encourage others to get involved. Whatever you do, please sign the pledge so your action is counted. Because #EveryTreeCounts.

Ways to get involved:

- Plant in your garden.
- Attend a tree planting event in your community area.
- Speak to your local council about tree planting opportunities, or ask them to host an event.
- Make a donation to us so that we can plant trees for you.

Parents can share #EveryTreeCounts on social media and encourage friends to get involved.

Book People



We have joined the '@big Book Boost' so we would like to make you aware that if you are planning on purchasing any products from 'The Book People' we have registered our school with them which means that you can help to support our school whilst shopping. Simply add our school as your chosen school at the payment stage and our school will receive £1 for every £10 that you spend.

Thank you in advance for any book buying that you do.

Mrs Russell Reading Leader

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Bowling Competition



On Tuesday, 12 children from Middle School took part in a bowling competition at Falcon Bowling Club. They had a fantastic time, learning how to throw the different bowls at different targets, with expert help from the Falcon coaches. We are delighted to say that Team A came 11th out of 26 teams and Team B came 18th. Well done to all the children who took part and a big thank you Mrs Papararo and Miss Catley for supporting them. The bowlers were Klara, Sneha, Favour, Charlotte, Sonia, Shrihan, Alex, Robert, Michael, Jonty, Oliver and Ayo-mide.



LUNCH CHOICE FOR WEEK BEGINNING 18th November 2019

THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

MENU: Autumn 2019 WEEK: 4

MONDAY	OPTION 1 Cheddar & Mozzarella Macaroni Corn Cobbett & Broccoli Salad Bar including Pasta Salad	OPTION 2 Quorn Dippers Herby Diced Potatoes Corn Cobbett & Broccoli Salad Bar including Pasta Salad		Dessert Fruit Ice Lollies Fresh Fruit Platter Yoghurt
TUESDAY	OPTION 1 Sweet & Sour Chicken Rice & Broccoli Salad Bar including Pasta Salad	OPTION 2 Hot Quorn Tortilla Rice & Broccoli Salad Bar including Pasta Salad	OPTION 3 BLT Bap Salad Bar including Pasta Salad	Dessert Homemade Rice Crispy Squares Fresh Fruit Platter Yoghurt
WEDNESDAY	OPTION 1 (Buffet Day) Whole meal Roll (Ham, Turkey or Cheese) Mini Sausage Rolls / Quorn Sausage Rolls Pasta Salad, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Assorted Pickles Salad Bar including Pasta Salad		OPTION 3 Jacket Potato Cheese or Beans Salad Bar including Pasta Salad	Dessert White Chocolate & Cranberry Cookie Fresh Fruit Platter Yoghurt
THURSDAY	OPTION 1 Spaghetti Bolognese Garlic Bread Salad Bar including Pasta Salad	OPTION 2 Vegetable Bolognese Garlic Bread Salad Bar including Pasta Salad	OPTION 3 Tuna Salad Bap Salad Bar including Pasta Salad	Dessert Muller Fruit Corners Cheese & Crackers Fresh Fruit Platter
FRIDAY	OPTION 1 Fish Fingers Chips, Peas, Baked Beans Salad Bar including Pasta Salad	OPTION 2 Vegetable Frittata Chips, Peas, Baked Beans Salad Bar including Pasta Salad		Dessert Lemon Drizzle Finger Fresh Fruit Platter Yoghurt

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PTA Christmas Bazaar 30th November 12:30pm-3:30pm



HOW YOU CAN HELP

DONATIONS

We will have large plastic donation buckets outside the classrooms from **Monday 25th November**. If you are able to donate any of the items below please bring them into school. Please do not leave donations with the Office.

Mince pies - homemade or shop bought.

Toys - party bag gifts, larger new toys or games suitable as prizes including Wheel of Fortune

Stationery - packets of pens, pencils etc. suitable as prizes.

Toiletries - small or sample sizes of adult or child toiletries, new face flannels etc for the Beauty Tombola

Jam jars filled with wrapped sweets, toys or small gifts for the jam jar tombola –

there will be empty jam jars available to be filled!

Raffle prizes, especially luxury food items to put into hampers

In addition **Thursday 28th November** will be a **non-school uniform day** in exchange for a bottle (alcoholic or soft drink) for our bottle tombola. This is one of our most popular stalls!

TIME

Once again we are asking parents to get together as a year group and help with organising and running the rooms – lists with time slots will be up from **Monday 18th November**

– please sign up if you can – every 30 mins really helps.

We have the following stalls this year:

CLASS 11 – SANTA'S GROTTO

CLASS 10 – THE SCHOOL ENTERPRISE ROOM

(if no help is needed please go to Class 5 and offer help in the Activity Den!)

CLASS 9 – BOOKS & UNIFORM

CLASS 8 – CAKES & TUCK & MINCE PIES

CLASSES 6 & 7- GAMES ROOMS

CLASS 5 – ACTIVITY DEN

CLASS 4- BEAUTY ROOM

CLASS 3 – CLASS 3 is not being used this year –

Please can you go to the Hall and help man the raffle in your slot

EYFS – EYFS is not being used this year –

Please can you go to the Hall and help serve/sell HOT FOOD and TEA & COFFEE

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HAIR & BEAUTY

Would you be able to spend 30 minutes face painting in the Beauty Room? Or painting nails? Or hair braiding? We would love to hear from you if you can!

FUNDRAISING

We would also love to hear from you if your employer offers charity 'match giving' or 'pound matching' as this may enable us to double funds raised on individual stalls. Or if you work for a local business that would donate a voucher or prize for the raffle?

RAFFLE

We are very fortunate to have some fantastic raffle prizes including:

2 x Eurostar Tickets

£150 Luxury Shopping Voucher

£100 Love to Shop Voucher

RED Magazine Premium Beauty Boxes

Crondon Park 4 ball Golf – Breakfast & Lunch

Harry Potter Lego Set

Christmas Turkey

Raffle tickets are now on sale before and after school in the playground, so if you can't make it on the day you still have a chance to win a prize!

We do appreciate all offers of help and donations, as without them we could not run such a great event. This is one of the highlights of our school calendar, especially for the children and we want to make it a day for them to remember. Thank you again from the PTA for all you are doing to make this event a great success.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at the Bazaar



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The PTA are pleased to let you know that we can offer Adventure Wonderland tickets at Adventure Island for this Christmas. The cost is £27 per ticket (That admits one Child and one Adult) instead of the online cost of £40 and 'on the day' price of £50. There are limited vouchers available at the office now, another order will be made during half term therefore if you would like to take advantage and the vouchers we have are gone, please leave your name, child's class and payment at the office and they will be available to





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Adventure Wonderland
ADVENTURE INSIDE

WE ARE REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT ADVENTURE WONDERLAND THIS CHRISTMAS TIME

Adventure Wonderland is packed full of great features, so many in fact that you might miss some. So we are sending you this letter to explain all the fun you will have. We always recommend arriving as early as you can as Adventure Wonderland is extremely popular and the later you arrive will determine how late in the day you will see Father Christmas.

First thing is... YOUR ARRIVAL
When you arrive at Adventure Inside, you will need to get your Adventure Wonderland Passport so please proceed to the check in desk. Have your online booking ready to speed things up. Here you will be given your Adventure Wonderland Passport. This is an important document as this will have vouchers inside for you:

- FREE DRINK AND CHRISTMAS COOKIE**
- VOUCHER FOR FREE CHILDS ADMISSION TO SEA-LIFE ADVENTURE**
- VOUCHER FOR YOUR FREE GAMECARD WITH 3 FREE PLAYS**
- VOUCHER FOR 10% OFF A CHILDS MEAL AT FEELGOODS.**

You will also be given a voucher for a **FREE CHILDS MEAL** at Clarence Yard!

Most importantly, you will be given your time to see the big man himself, Father Christmas. This will be written on the back of your Adventure Wonderland Passport. We recommend you get to the Departure Zone about 10 minutes before the time on the Passport.

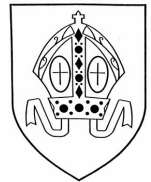


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Community News

CHRISTMAS WITH THE CHOIRS

**SATURDAY 14 DECEMBER
7 PM AT CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL**

Featuring well-known carols, nostalgic Christmas tunes, and family favourites including 'Walking in the Air' from The Snowman, 'Silent Night' 'White Christmas' 'The Christmas Song' festive music for brass and more!

Chelmsford Cathedral Choirs
London Brass Consort
Hilary Punnett organ & piano
James Davy conductor

Tickets: £5-£20 (under 16 £5) available from ticketsource.co.uk, the Cathedral bookstall, and on the door.

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