



The Cathedral School

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Friday 26th February 2021

Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

It was such good news to hear this week that all the children will return to school on Monday 8th March. If rules are followed across the country and transmissions rates, continue to go down as successful vaccinations increase we will be able to look forward to the lifting of other restrictions as the months go by.

The return to school should be quite straightforward with us reverting to what we did from September to Christmas with a few adjustments. Of course, when I said this to the staff, everyone looked vaguely blank; as I am not sure, anyone can remember what that version of school life actually was!

We will continue to be in class bubbles within our phase Bubbles: EYFS, KS1 (Years 1 and 2) Middle school (Years 3 and 4), Upper school (Years 5 and 6.)

We will have staggered starts, playtimes, lunchtimes and leaving times. We are not able to meet as a whole school in the hall as we cannot mix Bubbles yet. Books and paper work continue to be isolated and children need to come into school in their PE kits on PE days. Breakfast Club and CASP continue, but other extra-curricular activities are expected to resume at a point until after Easter.

Most staff members have not yet been called for vaccination and we proceed with caution. There are two major differences to when we were last in school:

If your child has not been in school during Lockdown, you need to prepare them for the fact the adults will be seen in masks more. You are required to wear mask whilst on site and staff wear them when in communal areas, the corridors and when working with children within a metre.

Staggered starts and exits, the groups are reversed.

Arrival	House	Departure	House
8.40am	Crompton	3.05pm	Crompton
8.45	Hoffman	3.10	Hoffman
8.50	Marconi	3.15	Marconi
8.55	Christie	3.20	Christie

Next week is Book week including World Book day. Please see the letter from Mr Davis.

On their return, the children will have Science week followed by Waste Week and then our Easter week.

More information and reminders will follow next week.

Whilst we are thinking ahead, I would like to commend to you our Chorister programme for the boys starting in Years 3 and 4. Our choristers have been learning online during Lockdown; please see the attached flyer from James Davey.

With best wishes

Linda Wiskin

Events Calendar

Mar 04	World Book Day
Mar 08	Science Week Starts
Mar 15	Waste Week
Mar 29	Easter Holiday
Apr 12	First Day of Summer Term
May 03	Bank Holiday



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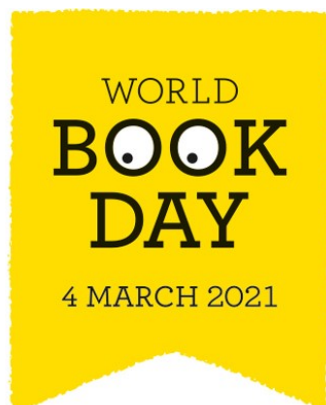
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In preparation for World Book Day, on Thursday 4th March, please may you keep hold of an egg box or two; there will be a project for your child to complete!
See attached letter and details from Mr Davis

Weekly Special Achievement Awards

EYFS

Ivy M

Fox W

Thomas J

Lower School

Katrina O

Gabriel B

Annabel M

Middle School

Amelia D

Alex R

Joshua F

Upper School

Neel KB

Max J

Nancy C



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Our commitment to PE in Key Stage One has been recognised with the award of KS1 Physical Education, Sport & Activity Mark by Active Essex.

This is the third time we have received this biennial award, which recognises excellence in delivery of physical activity in Year 1 and 2. While we are proud that our application, which was assessed by a panel assembled by Chelmsford Schools Sport Partnership and Active Essex, was successful, we are particularly proud of just how much enthusiasm and joy that our Year 1 and 2 pupils bring to PE lessons at The Cathedral School



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Remote Teaching Timetable from 1st March 2021

Time (clear start time but end time is dependent on length of input required)	Year group	Year group	Class
9:00-9:45	Year 5 Maths	Year 4 Maths	
9:45-10:30	Year 1 English	Year 2 English	Class 1
10:30-11:15	Year 3 Maths	Year 6 English	Class 2
11:15-12:00	Year 5 English	Year 6 Maths	
11:30-12:00	Year 3 & 4 English		
12:00-12:45	Year 1 Maths	Year 2 Maths	
12:45-13:30	Year 3 Foundation Subject	Year 4 Foundation Subject	
13:30-14:15	Year 5 Foundation Subject	Year 6 Foundation Subject	Class 2
14:15-15:00	Year 1 Foundation Subject	Year 2 Foundation Subject	Class 1

Lunch Menu week commencing 1st March 2021

Menu Week 3

MONDAY	OPTION 1 Mac Cheese Garlic bread Side salad	OPTION 2 Jacket Potato Cheese Side salad	OPTION 3 Jacket Potato Beans Side salad	Dessert Pancake with sauce Fruit Bar
TUESDAY	OPTION 1 Sausage Roll Mash Potatoes Baked Beans, Sweetcorn & Gravy Side salad	OPTION 2 Cheese Tomato Omelette Side salad		Dessert Fruit Crumble with custard Fruit Bar
WEDNESDAY	OPTION 1 Chicken Korma Served with Rice Side Salad	OPTION 2 Jacket Potato Cheese Side salad	OPTION 3 Jacket Potato Beans Side salad	Dessert Chocolate Cracknell Fruit Bar
THURSDAY	OPTION 1 Burger in a bun Herby diced potatoes Side salad	OPTION 2 Vegetarian Burger in a bun Herby diced potatoes Side salad		Dessert Oat Cookie Fruit Bar
FRIDAY	OPTION 1 Fish Finger Smiley Faces, Peas & Baked Beans Side salad	OPTION 2 Quorn Dippers Smiley Faces, Peas & Baked Beans Side salad		Dessert Iced Sponge

Please remember to pre-order lunches on SCOPAY even if your child is bringing in a packed lunch from home.

Instructions can be found on our [website/parent's page](#) Many thanks.

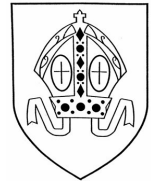


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Workshop: Returning back to School

A one off virtual workshop for parents, to support children who have anxieties about returning to primary school in March 2021

This workshop covers the following topics:

Causes and maintaining factors

- What is anxiety
- What keeps anxiety going
- Strategies to support your child with their anxieties around returning to school

Who is this for:

Parents of children who will be returning back to Primary School in March 2021

Location: Virtual Workshop

Dates: Thursday 4th March 2021 3.30pm – 5pm

Thursday 18th March 2021 1.30pm – 3pm

To book your free space on one of the workshops

Call us on	South Essex	0300 247 0013
	Mid Essex	0300 247 0014
	North East Essex	0300 247 0015
	West Essex	0300 247 0012

*NB when calling, you will be asked to provide us with your email address in order to receive the link for the virtual workshop.

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DOES YOUR SON LOVE TO SING?

Singing is a fun and interactive way to express yourself,
feel good and learn new skills that last for life.

The choristers at Chelmsford Cathedral sing together in services and concerts in the inspiring setting of the Cathedral* during term times, receiving free musical tuition and singing lessons.

* we're currently meeting online - why not join us to see what we do?



Rehearsals are currently being held online via private Zoom meetings, but we hope to return to rehearsals on the Cathedral site (where our facilities are Covid-secure) as soon as possible.

Singing helps to develop:

- self-expression,
- language skills
- social skills & team work
- academic subjects including history and geography
- long-lasting friendships



We're looking for boys aged 7-10 with musical potential — they don't need to be amazing singers already. The admission process involves a short and friendly audition to see what they can do — we do the rest!

For more information, details of Zoom meetings,
or for an informal discussion about the choir,
please contact James Davy, Organist and Master of the Choristers
james.davy@chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk 01245 294484



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What is Christianity?

A quick and easy way to get to grips with some of the key themes of Christianity with Canon Imogen Nay Thursday 4th, 11th and 18th March 8-9.00pm. On Zoom.

Session 1: Who is Jesus?

Session 2: What is the Church?

Session 3: What difference does it make?

Contact Imogen for more information imogen.nay@chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk

More courses are being running on Caring for the Environment plus Living Under the Rainbow- all the details can be found here:

<https://chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk/lent-easter.html>

Every blessing,

Rev'd Canon Imogen Nay
Canon for Evangelism and Discipleship



Visit our [Community News Page](#) for information & events from
outside organisations