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Friday 5th March 2021

## Head Teacher's Message

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

#### Return to school.

Staff, parents and we hope pupils, are all looking forward to the return to school of the whole school on Monday. 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

For some no doubt, it will be harder than others, especially where the Lockdown has impacted on routines. Routine and expectations are part of the security the children experience in school that were so successful in supporting their previous returns after Lockdown in July and then September.

Together with resuming "facetoface" contact with their cohort and teachers and the comfort of the learning environment this routine will help. We are ready for the transition concerns children may have. We would ask for your support in encouraging the children's enthusiasm as well as ensuring sensible hours and bedtimes. Being at school definitely tires you out!

Children are returning to their own classes with their own teacher, but as we are still in Lockdown, the strict measures of last term still apply.

Social distancing has to be maintained on the playground and timings followed for drop off and pick up as well as the handwashing and hand sanitising rules

#### **Events Calendar**

08 Science Week Starts

Mar 15 Waste Week

Mar
Young Carers Action Day
Children to wear silly/
bright/ character socks or
tights. No donation

Mar Easter Holiday

First Day of Summer
12 Term

May Bank Holiday

May Non Pupil Day

As Biblically the first shall be last and the last shall be first, Crompton will enter at 8.40am and Christie is now last house in with the minor reversal of Marconi and Hoffman in between.

Please note end of school ends at  ${\bf 3.05pm}$ , not 3pm as previously during the pandemic.

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

**Questions and Answers** 

#### Are the children wearing uniform?

Yes-and they come to school in PE kit on PE days.

Foundation: Monday and Friday

KS1; Monday and Wednesday

Middle: Wednesday and Thursday

Upper Tuesday and Friday

Continue.....



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## Head Teacher's Message Cont....

If your child has grown out of their school shoes, they may wear an appropriate, sensible alternative until the shops reopen.

#### Who wears masks?

Parents and visitors anywhere on site including the playground and outside areas.

Staff members in communal areas and when working closely with the children

Children do not wear masks under the age of 12.

#### What can my child bring to school?

Each child should have their own equipment for their use to be kept in the classroom. Bags should be minimal and any books that go between school and home have to go into the quarantine box before reuse.

Snacks continue as usual.

#### How is school organised?

Each class is a Bubble inside a larger phase Bubble:

EYFS (classes 1 and 2)

KS1 Classes 3,4 &5

Middle (Classes 6, 7 &8)

Upper (Classes 9,10 &11)

We are looking forward to Science Week next week with a big concentration on that area of the curriculum with lots of experiments!

With best wishes and much excitement

Linda Wiskin



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### Lunch Menu week commencing 8th March 2021

### THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

#### Week 1

MONDAY	OPTION 1 PIZZA Peperoni Side Salad	OPTION 2 PIZZA Margarita Side Salad	OPTION 3 Pesto Pasta Side Salad	Dessert Fruit Yoghurt and a piece of fruit
TUESDAY	OPTION 1 Sausage and Mash with peas, carrots & gravy Side Salad	OPTION 2  Vegan Sausage and Mash with peas, carrots & veg gravy Side Salad		Dessert Chocolate Rice Pudding Fruit Bar
WEDNESDAY	OPTION 1 Chicken Chunks Herby Diced Potatoes Sweet corn Side Salad	OPTION 2 Jacket Potato Cheese Side Salad	OPTION 3 Jacket Potato Beans Side Salad	Dessert Shortbread Biscuit Fruit Bar
THURSDAY	OPTION 1 Lasagne Garlic Bread Side Salad	OPTION 2 Vegetarian Lasagne  Garlic Bread Side Salad		Dessert Fruit Jelly Fruit Bar
FRIDAY	OPTION 1 Fish Fillet Chips, Peas or Baked Beans Side Salad	OPTION 2 Quorn Fillet Chips, Peas or Baked Beans Side Salad		Dessert Jam Sponge Custard

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 <u>website/parent's page</u> Many thanks.



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### Weekly Special Achievement Awards

Zara I	EYFS Eddie B	Rosalyn W
	Lower School	
Mesika V	Jamie H  Middle School	Elizabeth S
Carmen SC	Connie M  Upper School	Kayla K
Sneha V	Annabel K	Joseph W

## **School Crossing Patrol**



The School Crossing Patrol Service will be re-engaging its crossing service with effect from Monday  $8^{th}$  March 2021.

However, one of the patrols at Victoria Road crossing is currently on sick leave. Unfortunately there is not any alternate cover available and therefore the crossing will be attended by one patrol, lone working, until further notice.

Please take due care and attention when crossing to and from the school at this time and to make suitable arrangements for any unaccompanied children. All safe alternate crossing points including the traffic lighted crossing by the bridge may be used, at parents' discretion.



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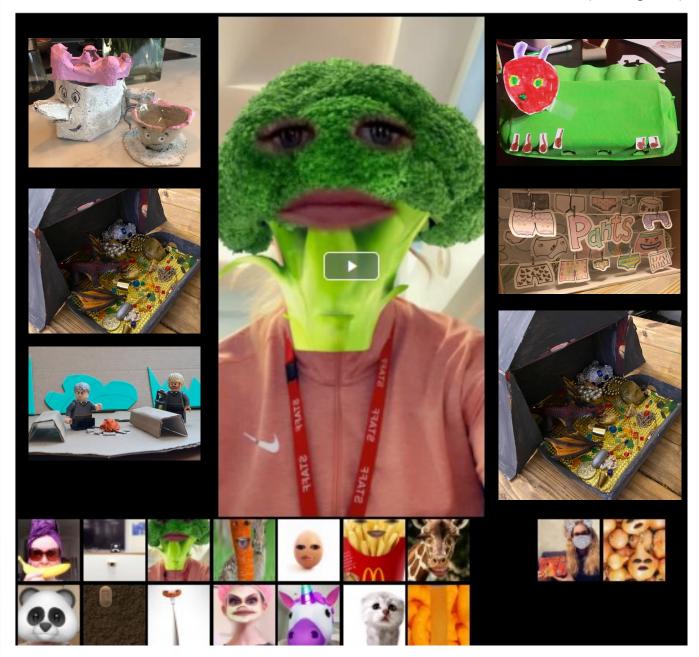
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#### **WORLD BOOK DAY 2021**

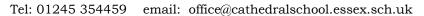
Thank you for all your wonderful contributions to the World Book Day tasks, it looks like you have had a great time celebrating throughout the week. I hope the author and illustrator webinars that you attended were insightful and they have inspired your creativity. If you were unable to join, I will try to get recordings of them to be shared next week. Finally, well done to those who have put forward their Diorama and Anything Egg Box contributions, the deadline for your submissions is going to be Friday 12th March.

Mr Davis (Reading Lead)





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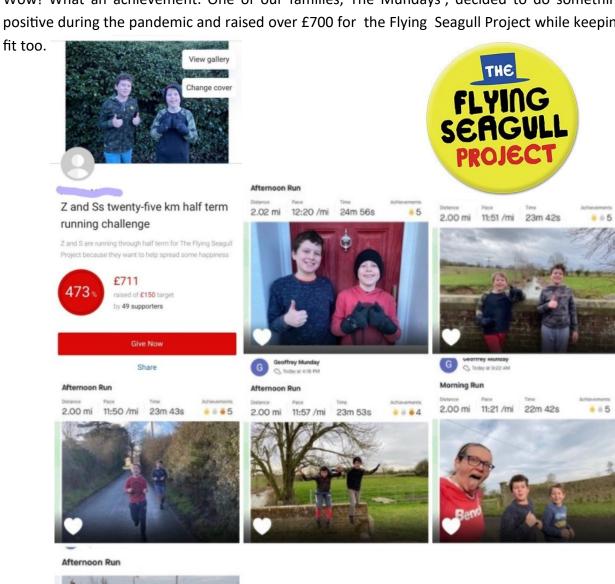
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### **Fundraising**

Wow! What an achievement. One of our families, The Mundays', decided to do something positive during the pandemic and raised over £700 for the Flying Seagull Project while keeping







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Believe in children Barnardos

# 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 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.

www.essexfamilywellbeing.co.uk







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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.



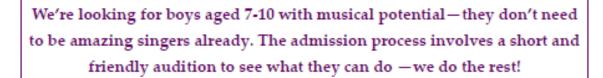
\* we're currently meeting online - why not join us to see what we do?



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.



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



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 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> 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 <u>Community News Page</u> for information & events from outside organisations