



The Cathedral School

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Friday 12th March 2021

Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

There has been such joy having the children back in school. All week we have provided opportunities for the children to talk in and out of lessons. Science week has been great fun and it provided the opportunity to interact in our learning despite the restrictions of straight lines and the 'From the Front' teaching.

On the whole they have adjusted well, although we recognise and have responded where children have found the classroom overwhelming.

I, together with the children, thoroughly enjoyed Science in KS1 when I was teaching on Wednesday, and the children undertook their water experiments without the classroom being flooded.

Thank you to everyone for remembering the restrictions and keeping to them.

With the attention to the Risk Assessment we can now begin to look forward the Summer term and how much more we can achieve. More information will follow before Easter.

We still await some of the national promises on the tech front but demand has been great and the pandemic is a challenge to everyone's patience.

Next week is Waste week or as I constantly want to say 'Anti-waste week'!

Finally, in order to ensure smooth transition at the end of the day, if you have formed a childcare or support bubble (Link) please could you email the office with the title **Childcare Bubble** to help us. [click here](#)

Best wishes

Linda Wiskin

Events Calendar

Mar 15	Waste Week
Mar 16	Young Carers Action Day Children to wear silly/ bright/ character socks or tights. No donation
Mar 29	Easter Holiday
Apr 12	First Day of Summer Term
May 03	Bank Holiday
May 28	Non Pupil Day

World Book Day!

Thank you for all your wonderful entries for the Egg Box and Diorama challenges. As the deadline is today, the winners will be announced on Monday. To guarantee your entry has been seen please ensure that you have included 'world book day', 'egg box' or 'diorama' in your Tapestry post. Well done to all of those who had a go at identifying the masked readers, I hope you had a lot of fun watching and guessing who was who. The correct answers were:

Banana: Mrs Papararo	Mask: Miss Madgwick
Black cat: Mr Richardson	Onion: Mrs Cuthill
Broccoli: Miss Catley	Panda Mrs Grover
Carrot: Miss Green	Potato: Mrs Wren
Egg: Miss Adams	Sausage: Mrs Quinn
French fries: Miss Byford	Shower hat: Mrs Martin
Giraffe: Mrs Smith	Unicorn: Mrs Truelove
Jungle: Miss Southward	White cat: Mr Davis

Wotsit: Mrs Southgate

Thank you and keep on reading,

Mr Davis



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Lunch Menu week commencing 15th March 2021

THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

Menu Week 2

MONDAY	OPTION 1 Jacket Potato Cheese Side salad	OPTION 2 Jacket Potato Beans Side salad	OPTION 3 Jacket Potato Tuna Side salad	Dessert Jam Doughnuts Fruit Bar
TUESDAY	OPTION 1 Spaghetti Bolognese Garlic Bread Side salad	OPTION 2 Vegetarian Spaghetti Bolognese Garlic Bread Side salad		Dessert Flapjack Fruit Bar
WEDNESDAY	OPTION 1 Hunter's Chicken (Contains Pork) Wedges & green beans Side Salad	OPTION 2 Hunter's Quorn Wedges & green beans Side Salad		Dessert Chocolate Sponge Chocolate Custard Fruit Bar
THURSDAY	OPTION 1 Swedish Meat Balls (pork) With tomato sauce & rice Side Salad	OPTION 2 Vegetarian Balls With tomato sauce & rice Side Salad		Dessert Angel Delight Fruit Bar
FRIDAY	OPTION 1 Fish Fingers Herby Diced Potatoes, Peas Baked Beans Side salad	OPTION 2 Southern Crumb Quorn Burger Herby Diced Potatoes, Peas Baked Beans Side salad		Dessert Ice cream Pot Fruit Bar

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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Weekly Special Achievement Awards

EYFS

Afolabi

Harrison

Lower School

Florence B

Niko R

Nethmi D

Middle School

Amelie D

Samson M

Colby JP

Sonia Y

Upper School

Euan S

Alexia P

Charlie S

School Crossing Patrol



The School Crossing Patrol Service Continues.

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.

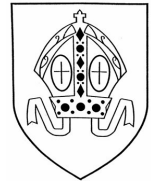


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Science Week March 2021

BANG! CRASH! WHALLOP! POP!

Just some of the sounds that have been whirling around the Cathedral school this week as the parents and teachers like have celebrated Science Week.

It's always an exciting week of the year, but has felt even more special this year in light of the return to school. The week began with Mrs Southgate's Science Competition. With a video shared of an investigation using carrier bags and balloons, the children needed to figure out, is it magic or is it science? The competition will be open for the next two weeks for children to complete their entries.

This week EYFS have been making real rockets using film canisters, water and fizzy tablets. After lots of different attempts they understood that if there was less water in the canister, there would be more room for the gas, and the canister would pop higher into the air. What a great way to introduce variables!

In Lower school the children brought together lots of their science learning so far this year



with some great magical experiments. We threat pencils through water, made a plastic bag float and managed to explode a lunch bag. At the end of the week we used our knowledge of materials, combined with our DT skills to design and make something to keep treasure dry. We had mixed results, with some pirates taking home very soggy treasure!

Middle School have completed a series of experiments, as well as bringing their science evaluation skills into their writing. Following on from a week of instruction writing, the children were tasked with writing instructions for their investigations. They also completed an investigation into biomass as a renewable energy source as they tried to

determine which food waste would be the best source of energy. More predictions were made as the children investigated which type of footwear would be best for running 100m. Wellies or trainers? What do you think their results may have shown?

Upper School have played a risky game with eggs this week as they have investigated forces and gravity. Despite the wind providing an additional risk to teachers climbing up ladders, the experiments were hugely successful. Many members of the upper school team managed to design and make a parachute to keep their egg safe. The children also reinforced their application of science knowledge by devising their own experiments to investigate the effects of friction between different surfaces.

It has been a terrific week to return to school with shouts of joy, anticipation and amazement. A huge thank you to all the children for demonstrating such enthusiasm with science!

Mrs Southgate





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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 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.

Services commissioned by:

www.essexfamilywellbeing.co.uk



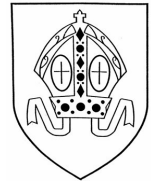


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DOES YOUR SON LOVE TO SING?

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.

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

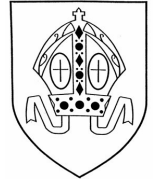


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What is Christianity?

A quick and easy way to get to grips with some of the key themes of Christianity with Canon Imogen Nay Thursday 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

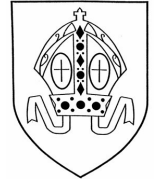


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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN
PRIMARY OR EARLY YEARS TEACHING?

Virtual Recruitment Event!

Join us via Zoom on:
Wednesday 7th April 2021
at 2pm



Please contact Laura to join this event
laura@essexprimaryscitt.co.uk

We are a highly-regarded established teacher-training provider with a long record of training excellent primary and early year's teachers.

