



# The Cathedral School

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Friday 22nd April 2022

## Head Teacher's Message

Dear All

Welcome to the summer term after the Easter celebration.

This half term's theme is Friendship, something we are looking at in detail both biblically and in our own lives. This week we are also having our first whole school assembly as we reinstate some of the most important of the annual events, it really begins to feel as if we may be coming through what has been the most challenging times of everyone's lives.

Thank you to everyone who attended the online 2 Johns session and for the appreciative feedback as to the importance and value of this "training". Our attendance was better than many schools who have done this training with 96 attendees for the parental session. If you missed it, we are trying to secure a recording which although not so good may be of service to you in this most challenging of areas to parent.

This week also saw the resumption of our Design and Technology cookery programme, with Year 5 developing their cutting and food hygiene skills and yes, we believe their couscous salads are safe to eat! There are crickets tournaments, cross country finals and netballs finals all in the next two weeks. Well done to all our pupils on their participation and successes.

One of the unique aspects of this school as the Cathedral School, is the opportunity to receive a first class musical education as a chorister. Mr Davy is coming to audition Year 3 and 4 boys on Tuesday morning next week. The girls' choir is available to committed singers in Year 5 and 6.

Further musical education is available by the most economic route possible via the music services. The pandemic meant that children did not take up instruments as they usually would and this is a rare time when we have insufficient players to facilitate a school orchestra. This morning Miss Morris our woodwind teacher demonstrated the saxophone, clarinet and flute and Mrs Langford, our brass teacher, the trumpet and trombone. We would all recommend the benefits of having lessons if your child shows a desire and aptitude for a specific instrument.

A reminder that if your child is absent or has an appointment delaying them coming to school, the school office needs to be contacted. As Communications Officer, Mr Gilmour will inform the teacher. Polite though it is to communicate with the teacher especially on Tapestry, it is not effective or efficient for the office staff who have responsibility for First Call and manage absence. Please use Tapestry for Teaching and Learning communication with the teacher.

A warm welcome to Mr Lowson and Mrs Johnson who have joined the staff for this term as Tutors.

More information will be sent out about the new volunteer process which requires references as well as a DBS going forwards. We do hope more parents will undertake this process with us as the term goes on.

Clubs restart next week!

Mrs Wiskin and the staff team.

## Calendar Events

Apr 25	Summer Term Extra Curriculum Clubs Start
Apr 28	Colchester Zoo trip—Middle School
May 02	Bank Holiday
May 03	All Pupils in Summer Uniform
May 06	Year 4 Sleep over
May 09	KS2 SATS WEEK
May 10	Swan Lake – Royal Ballet ROH
May 17	Class Photos

## [SCHOOL CALENDAR](#)

## Notices

*Please can we remind parents that if your child is absent it is vital that you let the school office know either by leaving a message on 01245 354459 or send an email to [office@cathedralschool.essex.sch.uk](mailto:office@cathedralschool.essex.sch.uk) It is not essential to let the teachers know through Tapestry.*

Please find exciting News from 3rd party organisations. eg Holiday Clubs, Library information & other local organisations.  
Please visit  
<https://www.cathedralschool.co.uk/parent-manager/community-page>

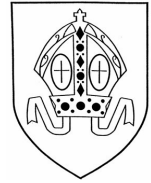


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## Lunch Menu week commencing 25th April 2022

### THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

#### Week 2

MONDAY	<b>OPTION 1</b> <b>Macaroni Cheese with Gammon</b> Peas Side Salad	<b>OPTION 2</b> <b>Macaroni Cheese</b> Peas Side Salad	<b>Dessert</b> Fruit Crumble and custard Fruit Bar
TUESDAY	<b>OPTION 1</b> <b>Butchers Sausage</b> Mash Potato Baked Beans or Green Beans Side Salad	<b>OPTION 2</b> <b>Meat-Free Sausage</b> Mash Potato Baked Beans or Green Beans Side Salad	<b>Dessert</b> Jelly Fruit Bar
WEDNESDAY	<b>OPTION 1</b> <b>Roast Chicken</b> Yorkshire Pudding Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Shredded Cabbage	<b>OPTION 2</b> <b>Sage and Onion Topped Quorn Fillet</b> Yorkshire Pudding Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Shredded Cabbage	<b>Dessert</b> Angel Delight Mousse Fruit Bar
THURSDAY	<b>OPTION 1</b> <b>Nacho Chicken</b> Wholegrain & White Rice Broccoli Florets Side Salad	<b>OPTION 2</b> <b>Nacho Quorn</b> Wholegrain & White Rice Broccoli Florets Side Salad	<b>Dessert</b> Healthy Fruit Day
FRIDAY	<b>OPTION 1</b> <b>Fish Fingers</b> Chips Baked Beans & Sweetcorn Side Salad	<b>OPTION 2</b> <b>Cheese &amp; Tomato Pizza</b> Chips Baked Beans & Sweetcorn Side Salad	<b>Dessert</b> Chocolate & Cinnamon Shortbread 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](#)*



**Nut Free School** The school aims to protect children who have allergies to nuts, We do not allow nuts or nut products in school lunch boxes or in their snacks.

Please can we remind parents to cut grapes in half.

Thank you for co-operation.

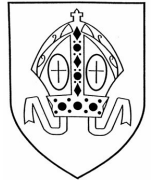


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## Netball Match

The netball team qualified for next month's District Finals with a 100% record in the qualifying tournament on Wednesday. The team of Ellie, Nancy, Elsie, Maisie, Eleanor, Jake, Henry and Teddy did not concede a score in their wins over Great Waltham, St Peters, St Michaels and Bishops and narrowly defeated the runners-up, Perryfields, 4-3 in their tightest match. Thank you to Mr Davis and Miss Catley for coaching the team and the parents who came to support.



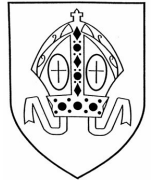


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## GROW YOUR WELL-BEING



### FRIENDSHIP FOCUS

*This week, we have been focusing on friendship and building relationships with others during our worship time. Having the skills to build positive friendships with others helps improve our overall well-being.*



*Mrs Morecroft and Mrs Burnham.*



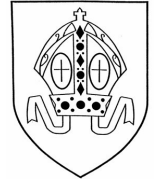


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## Weekly Special Achievement Awards



### EYFS

Hope N

George K

### Lower School

Ronnie C

Ivy M

Kai JB

### Middle School

James C

Hugo H

Melissa A

### Upper School

Georgina P

Euan S

Matthew K

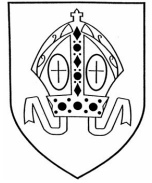


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## External Achievements!

It has always been a tradition that we have celebrated external achievements at the school, like swimming, dance, music exams, sport etc. In order to still celebrate these we are requesting that you either email [office@cathedralschool.essex.sch.uk](mailto:office@cathedralschool.essex.sch.uk) with your child's name and reason to celebrate, e.g

*Joe Smith* - player of the match in football

*Sam Lett* – success in a dance competition

These will then be added as an additional page on the newsletter each month. Or, we would also love you to tweet us @cathschool with a photo of your child or award and their reason, we will then retweet that on to our wider audience. We are so proud of all of the external achievement of our young people – keep up the great work!



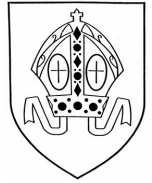


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## Chelmsford Cathedral Girls' Choir: places available

There are 3 spaces available for girl choristers starting September 2023 (or sooner, if they're keen!). Ideally, we are looking for girls who are currently in school year 5 or 6, so that they'd be starting in year 6 or 7 in September.

Auditions are very simple and not too stressful (we hope!), and the main thing we look for is enthusiasm for singing, as well as potential. We do not expect significant previous choral or even formal musical experience at year 6 or 7, but of course this is always welcome and beneficial. The choir is free to join, and includes some amazing musical experiences such as tours, recordings, radio/TV broadcasts, and concerts – we recently visited Canterbury Cathedral to sing there (listen to us singing with their choir here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ML8BL-VOJU>) Rehearsals currently take place before and after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays.



LOVE SINGING? SO DO WE!

## CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL GIRLS' CHOIR

[www.chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk](http://www.chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk)

### PLACES AVAILABLE NOW FOR YOUNG SINGERS

Girls between school years 6-13 are welcome to audition. There is no cost to join.



## BECOME A CHORISTER AT CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL

A FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG SINGERS!

I have made so many friends! I love singing with the choir! I have so many amazing memories!

- world-class choral training -
- regular performances, radio & TV broadcasts -
- scholarships each term for every chorister -
- social events & tours -



- rehearsals on Tuesdays and Thursdays during Term time -
- auditions available throughout the year -

If this sounds like you, get in touch with our Director!  
[hilary.punnett@chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk](mailto:hilary.punnett@chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk)