

The Cathedral Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School

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**"They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We will remember them." Laurence Binyon**

Friday 10th November 2023

Message from the Headteacher

Dear All,

This week we have been focussed on Remembrance and Peace. In a busy week, including the first mock SATs for Year 6, it was lovely to welcome parents who could attend to our Remembrance Service. This was a solemn occasion that was well led by Hugo, Naomi, Janelle and Joe. Thank you Worship Group! This afternoon parents joined me for a cup of tea before attending our Eco Team presentation on their plans for this year and our Achievement ceremony. It is a pleasure to have parents back in school to see from the inside, albeit in small numbers because of space.



Staff have been out in the evenings this weeks to visit other schools for training sessions where expertise is offered. Thanks are due to Mr Richardson who led on behalf of our school demonstrating our Active Maths programme and how effective it can be. This was well received by the 23 teachers who attended from the 48 schools of the Teaching Alliance.

We also managed to send two staff on their first Aid at work course to keep our numbers of first aiders across the school up on a rolling programme. Well done to those staff for passing!

Hopefully everyone has succeeded in booking a Parents' Evening Appointment. It is sometimes difficult to find the best days to achieve this that work for both staff and parents. We moved parents' evenings to this week because of the cross school training of last week to make the evening commitment for staff possible. However, two teachers leading our creativity in the curriculum initiative, Mrs Southgate and Miss Jamieson, will not be back from the Unicorn Theatre in London to start until 5pm on Wednesday. They do have enough appointments to offer, but there is slightly less choice of time.

If you have not attended a Parents' Evening at the school before, please come into the school at least 10 minutes before your appointment. All the teachers will be in the hall and you are able to wait in the corridor /on the benches in the middle of the hall for your appointment time. A buzzer will sound for the end of each period of time.

Finally, the gate system is not working very well at the moment, because parents who are late leaving the playground mean that parents arriving late are sending their children in past the time the gate should be closed. The gate will have to close at 8.50 and if you know you will not make the gate by 8.50 please send your child in by the front office. This will help our registration process.

We currently have some unclaimed scooters, but also missing scooters and a missing helmet. If you have accidentally got the wrong scooter please can you check on Monday, it would be good to get the correct one back to each pupil!

Looking forward to seeing everyone next week at our Parents' Evening meetings.

Best wishes

Linda Wiskin

Important
Notice!

Upper School HOCKEY TRAINING IS CANCELLED Friday 17th November



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Key Dates for Your Diary

- Year 4 Trip to RHS Hyde Hall 14.11.2023
- Parents Evenings 15.11.2023 & 16.11.2023
- Non uniform day - supporting Children in Need 17.11.2023
- Barnardo's concert 20.11.2023
- PTA Christmas Bazaar 25.11.2023
- Charity Concert at St Andrew's Melbourne with ARU 25.11.2023
- School Influenza Immunisation 27.11.2023
- **EYFS & KS1 Christmas Lunch 05.12.2023**
- **KS2 Christmas Lunch 06.12.2023**
- KS1 nativities 11.12.2023 & 13.12.2023
- Carol Service at The Cathedral 18.12.2023 6:30pm
- EYFS Christmas production 14.12.2023 & 15.12.2023
- Christmas Holiday 21.12.2023—03.01.2024
- First Day of Spring Term 04.01.2024
- IOW 3.06.2024 –7.06.2024
- Provisional Sports days EYFS & KS1 13.06.2024
Middle & Upper school 14.06.2024
- Lunchtime Concert 21.06.2024
- Leavers Service 9.07.2024

[Please view our calendar for all events](#)

Bold recently added



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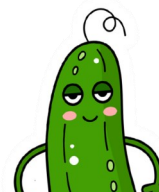
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Lunch Menu week commencing 13th November 2023

THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

Week Three

Lunch Menu



MONDAY	OPTION 1 Beef Bolognese Pasta Salad	OPTION 2 Vegetarian Pasta Bake (Optional Cheese) Salad	Dessert Fruit Crumble & custard
TUESDAY	OPTION 1 Quiche Lorraine Couscous, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans	OPTION 2 Jacket Potato Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Sweetcorn	Dessert School's Favourite Sponge
WEDNESDAY	OPTION 1 Roast Gammon Roast Potatoes Yorkshire Pudding Seasonal Vegetables (optional gravy)	OPTION 2 Roast Quorn Fillet Roast Potatoes Yorkshire Pudding Seasonal Vegetables (optional gravy)	Dessert Flapjack
THURSDAY	OPTION 1 Chicken Burger in a Bun Sweetcorn, carrot & sultan salad	OPTION 2 Quorn Sausage in a Hot Dog Bun Sweetcorn, carrot & sultan salad	Dessert School's Favourite Biscuit
FRIDAY	OPTION 1 Salmon Fish Fingers Chips Peas	OPTION 2 Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza Sweetcorn, Pasta & Salad	Dessert Fruit Day & Cream

Also available daily; Fresh wholemeal bread; salad bar; fresh fruit and water

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.



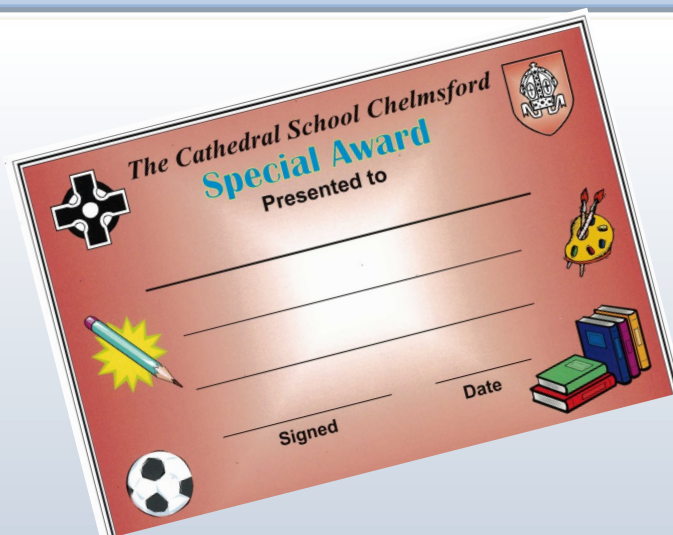
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Weekly Special Achievement Awards



EYFS

Saarya P

Ezra L

Lower School

Hugo K

Oliver D

Max A

Middle School

Rebecca K

Elijah H

Grace M

Upper School

Bella S

James W

Amelia D



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School Council News

This year the School Council have decided to support Children In Need. This will take place on Friday 17th November with a non-uniform day, the theme will be to wear something bright.

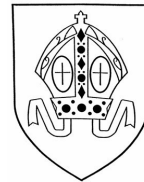
The children will also be completing an activity in class to complete a certain number of bearpees (burpees) as this is the official Children In Need activity for this year.

Please donate to Children In Need on our [Just Giving page](#)





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GROW YOUR WELL-BEING



Parents Evening: Thursday 16th November

Please note, a pastoral drop in will be available next Thursday at parents evening.

If you have any general worries and questions about your child's social and emotional well-being, please drop in and see if a member of the pastoral team is free. We will be available between 5-7:30pm in the school library.

Mrs Burnham and the Pastoral Team



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THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL PTA

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

25.11.23

11:30 - 2:30

Inside & Outside activities,
dress accordingly

Enter through the front of the School

Bring cash & change,
card payments for food

BAR & HOT FOOD

Family Fun

50p GAMES

SANTA'S GROTTO

WHEEL OF FORTUNE



THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL PTA

Christmas RAFFLE

AMAZING PRIZES

Tickets £1

Eurostar tickets - Family of 4
2 x Westend tickets to Mrs Doubtfire
£100 Smyths Toys Voucher
Christmas Turkey donated by Mrs Wiskin
£50 Everyman voucher
Benefit Cosmetics Hamper worth £270
Little Blossom Skincare treatment and goody bag
STEM construction kit Marriages Flour Hamper
Total Body Fitness PT session and more!!

www.peoplesfundraising.com/raffle/cathedral-school-pta-christmas-raffle-2023
Made with PosterMyWall.com

Items brought in
are used at the
Christmas Bazaar

Please bring something from the list as payment

Non uniform day
Friday 24 November

- Bottles of alcohol
- Bottles of anything else
- Brand new toys
- Brand new games
- Pre loved books
- Brand new craft sets

Donations accepted
all week 20-24 Nov

10 NOVEMBER / 6-7.30 PM

UPPER DISCO SCHOOL

Glitter and Glow

DISCO | Y5 & Y6 ONLY
FREE DRINKS | TUCK SHOP

TONIGHT