



# The Cathedral Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School



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1 John 4.18 'Perfect love casts out all fear.'

Friday 2nd February 2024

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear All,

This week, Class 7 confidently brought their reflections on Courage and "stepping outside" your comfort zone. Thank you Class 7 for your reflections and a very clear presentation of them! It was good to have Class 7 parents with us. All classes will be reflecting on our half termly themes in the other half terms of the school year.

Well-being is always high on our priorities, please see Mrs Burnham's contribution to the newsletter this week.

Next week, Year 4 are visiting the Cathedral for the launch of the Trails of Discovery. Organised by Rev John Fry who was supporting us in the role of Chaplain, last half term, the children will take part in the launch, interviewing Bishop Guli and singing. The following day they have Super Stars. Thank to all those involved in the arrangements for additional educational experiences.

Two teachers were covered this week to take the opportunity we were offered by Ford for STEM training. This was part of our School Development plan to raise standards in practical subjects. With plans for projects across the curriculum, it will initially lead to an engineering club for pupils in the middle of the school. Details will come out for this for next term in March.

We constantly seek opportunities for our pupils that we are able to sustain and develop to have real impact on their thriving. This one will hopefully create a new direction and meet interest and skill development in another area.

It has been a busy time for achieving funding and resources for the school in January. Our replacement outdoor area is due to be put in at the end of February. This will replace the trials and tyres deemed at the end of their life and provide us with a stimulating play area that will be possible to use all year round. Everyone who supports the PTA fundraising deserves a thank you as the PTA had been able to top up our funds to make this a worthwhile and indeed possible step forward.

Also looking forward, next Tuesday is Safer Internet Awareness Day. Always a good time to check that your children are using age appropriate games.

Wishing everyone a blessed weekend

Kind regards

Linda Wiskin

## Key Dates for Your Diary

- **Year 4 - Trail Of Discovery (Cathedral)**                      **05.02.2024**
- **Year 4 - Superstars (CSAC)**                                      **06.02.2024**
- Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Meeting                      07.02.2024 9am
- **Kingswood Year 4 - Parents meeting (Class9)**              **12.02.2024 3:30pm**
- Non Pupil Day    16.02.2024
- Half Term    19.02.2024—23.02.2024
- Parents Evening    06.03.2024 & 07.03.2024
- World Book Day    08.03.2024
- Upper School Assembly Class 11                                      14.03.2024
- Infant Music Festival    15.03.2024
- PTA Middle School Disco    15.03.2024 6pm
- Middle School Assembly Class 6                                      21.03.2024
- Good Friday & Easter Monday                                      29.03.2024 & 01.04.2024
- Easter Holiday    02.04.2024—12.04.2024
- IOW Year 6 residential visit                                      03.06.2024 –07.06.2024
- Provisional Sports days EYFS & KS1                                      13.06.2024
- Middle & Upper school                                      14.06.2024
- Lunchtime Concert    21.06.2024
- Year 4 Sleepover    28.06.2024
- Leavers Service    09.07.2024

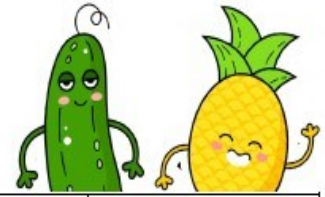
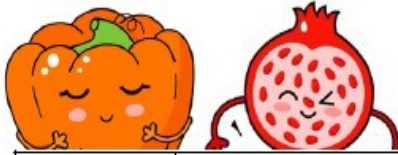
[Please view our calendar for all events](#)

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# Lunch Menu week commencing 5th February 2024

## THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

### Week Two Lunch Menu



MONDAY	<b>OPTION 1</b> Chicken Curry Rice Mixed Veg Naan bread	<b>OPTION 2</b> Sweet Potato & Lentil Curry Rice Mixed Veg Naan bread	<b>Dessert</b> Fruit Crumble & custard
TUESDAY	<b>OPTION 1</b> Homemade Sausage Roll Potatoes Sweetcorn, Baked Beans	<b>OPTION 2</b> Carrot, Courgette & Cheese Roll Potatoes Sweetcorn, Baked Beans	<b>Dessert</b> School's Favourite Sponge
WEDNESDAY	<b>OPTION 1</b> Roast Chicken Crispy Roast Potatoes Yorkshire Pudding Seasonal Vegetables (optional gravy)	<b>OPTION 2</b> Roast Quorn Fillet Crispy Roast Potatoes Yorkshire Pudding Seasonal Vegetables (optional gravy)	<b>Dessert</b> Flapjack
THURSDAY	<b>OPTION 1</b> Cheese & Tomato Pasta Bake	<b>OPTION 2</b> Mediterranean Roasted Vegetable Pasta	<b>Dessert</b> School's Favourite Biscuit
FRIDAY	<b>OPTION 1</b> Fillet of Fish Chips Peas	<b>OPTION 2</b> Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza Pasta, Salad & Sweetcorn	<b>Dessert</b> Fruit Day & Cream

Also available daily;

Fresh wholemeal bread; salad bar; fresh fruit, milk 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.

## Weekly Special Achievement Awards



### EYFS

Nihal K

Kyla D

### Lower School

Georgina M

Sylvie R

Wilfred C

### Middle School

Poppy R

Hannah B

Amy M

Violet J

### Upper School

Gilana

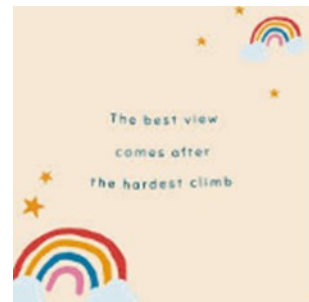
Annabel M

Jack W

## Grow Your Well-Being



LET'S CELEBRATE...



This week is about celebrating our wonderful children. Across the school, classes have been talking about well-being and what contributes to having good mental health. The conversations in class, on the playground, at Well-being Wednesday, when playing sports and even in the staff room, have really highlighted this. I was particularly lucky to be teaching class 4 yesterday, who have created their very own positivity pot. The children have made their own positive affirmation cards to use whenever they need to. I left class 4 feeling so grateful, positive and determined.

You have inspired me with your kindness class 4. Thank you for the reminder that we really can achieve anything. Mrs Burnham.



## PTA NEWS



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# MIDDLE DISCO SCHOOL

**Fri day, 15th March**

**School Hall**

**6 - 7.30 pm**

- Tuck shop
- Free drinks
- £3 a ticket

Information on this event will be emailed to y3/4 parents soon

**SAVE THE DATE**

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# Mothers *AND* others

The PTA are pleased to offer the Mother's Day event again this year

Pre order essential

An email will be sent out soon with booking information and more details



## WORLD BOOK DAY

# GOLDEN TICKET

GREETINGS TO YOU, THE LUCKY FINDER OF THIS TICKET  
PRESENT THIS TICKET TO WIN A PRIZE!

DATE	TIME	PLACE
8TH MARCH	AFTER SCHOOL	PLAYGROUND

PRE ORDER YOUR CHOCOLATE BAR TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

Cathedral School PTA

**PRE ORDERING COMING SOON**

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## Community News



We would like to share information from our wider community with you such as; local events, and information from other relevant organisations.

To visit the Community Page [Click Here](#)

### LOST DOG – DOUGIE

BORDER TERRIER WITH A RED COLLAR  
STILL MISSING 1<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY 2024



If you have any information please contact the school office and we will inform the owner

**"I lost my husband recently and unexpectedly.**

**I miss Dougie and need him by my side.**

**Thank you for any help in sharing this."**

**Love a distraught Lee**



**"Where's my Mum?**

**I miss my family, my fire, my sofa, and Hugo, (the big white one)! If you see me be patient, Please don't make eye contact or shout at me. I DO want to go home, I'm just confused!**



### HELP BRING DOUGIE HOME

Please display this poster at home or asks a business to; PLEASE share with friends



## Community News



### You have what it takes for a rewarding career in fostering

- Your everyday experiences and skills are transferable into a foster carer role, from providing emotional support to teaching life skills.
- Our fostering roles are suitable for individuals, couples, or families from all walks of life. All children are different, so our foster carers are too.
- We offer many different types of fostering roles, including short-term, parent & child, therapeutic and long-term.
- Be part of our professional team and receive our ongoing comprehensive training.
- Receive generous fostering allowances, benefits and tax relief.

As a foster carer, you could provide a safe and stable home environment for a vulnerable child whilst enjoying a flexible and rewarding career that's literally life changing.



Tel: 01708 395 708 Web: [www.nexusfostering.co.uk/Essex](http://www.nexusfostering.co.uk/Essex)



■ If you are already a foster carer and want to join our Nexus Fostering family – we can help with that too!

### Why foster with Nexus Fostering?



Social worker led since 2002



Consistently rated 'Outstanding' by Ofsted



Our teams will support you 365 days a year, 24 hours a day



We offer a competitive weekly allowance and benefits packages



Regular carer support groups, day trips and activities for all the family



Careful and considered matching process led by our dedicated placements team, leading to successful outcomes



Bespoke support packages for our therapeutic-led services and tailor made outreach support for children



You'll never stop learning! We offer extensive initial training and continually invest in your development

“Fostering a child can be a rewarding and fulfilling experience for anyone with a passion for helping others.”

If you think you could make a difference to a young person's life, get in touch today for an informal chat about what's involved.

Tel: **01708 395 708**



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