



The Cathedral Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School



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

Friday 9th February 2024

Message from the Headteacher

Dear All,

Courage continues to be our theme this half term. This week Mrs Grover led worship on Monday and Mrs Kilbey on Thursday when we were looking at Chinese New Year.

A huge well done to Year 4 this week, not only for their sporting success and attitude at Super stars at Melbourne, but also for their behaviour and listening, then detective skills at the Trials of Discovery Launch at The Cathedral. At Superstars we came second in the group of schools there. Our final points will be against all the 48+ schools who attend over the several days it takes. A special mention for James and Aron who came first and second in the Boys competition. It was a great team effort and we were just pipped by Beehive Lane.

The Trails are a great addition in The Cathedral and allowed the children to explore and discover many aspects of the building and really look at them. I still have a crick in my neck from trying to spot the anomaly in the ceiling pattern. The children also asked Bishop Guli some interesting questions about the importance of Art in worship.

It was wonderful to see parents attend the Year 1 phonics workshop this week, thanks to Mrs Southgate and all concerned

On a personal note, I would like to say thank you for all your kind remarks to me this week following the announcement of my retirement. Everyone in teaching and many outside of it, know what an all-consuming job it is. I started teaching in 1985 in Harrow, a very long time ago. Being the Head of this school has been a great privilege and an absolute passion. The children, staff, parents and governors I have worked with in the last, almost ten years have ensured that I can honestly say, I've had the best job in the world. It was therefore very difficult to decide to retire, but something I decided when I reached sixty last year. I wanted to do every joyous (and sometimes difficult) tasks for the last time and leave when the timing is good for the school. You have been told so early because it is important for the Governors to seek a successor who will take the school on for the next five or more years. I will be involved in ensuring transition is smooth and effective.

I can now get back to the work in hand, I have plenty to do in the next few months!

Thank you again for your support both to the school as a whole and particularly to me personally.

Wishing everyone a blessed weekend

Kind regards

Linda Wiskin



Key Dates for Your Diary

- 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
- **Garden Tidying Up** **11.03.2024 3:30pm**
- 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
- **Easter Service—Cathedral** **22.03.2024 2pm**
- 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](#)

Bold recently added

Lunch Menu week commencing 12th February 2024

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

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 theirs snacks.
 Please can we remind parents to cut grapes in half. Thank you for co-operation.

Weekly Special Achievement Awards



EYFS

Ivy H

Idanth V

Lower School

Maxine N

Olivia T

Dasha T

Middle School

Harrison S

Chloe-Mae R

Kai JB

Upper School

Esther A

Elizabeth S

Michelle OI

Art trail - The Cathedral

The Year 4 children were lucky to have been the first to experience the art trails being held at The Cathedral this week. The Art Society have produced a fun trail for the children to follow, exploring The Cathedral's art including the tree of life and the stained glass window in the east of the church. This provoked questions and insight into the Cathedral's history and works of art.



Y4 - Superstars

On Tuesday, a fantastic time was had by all, expertly led by secondary school sports leaders, few of whom were past pupils! Our leaders were a great inspiration and not only led us in the activities but provided fun 'fillers' if their group was speedy at finishing.

Children took part in a range of activities including speed bouncing, cup stacking, scooting, relay races with the aim to improve their own individual score each time.

Everyone tried extremely hard and didn't give up even when it was a challenging activity, supporting their classmates.

Well done Year 4 as we finished an overall second place and individually to Aron and James!

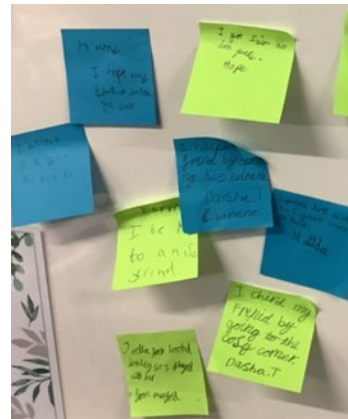
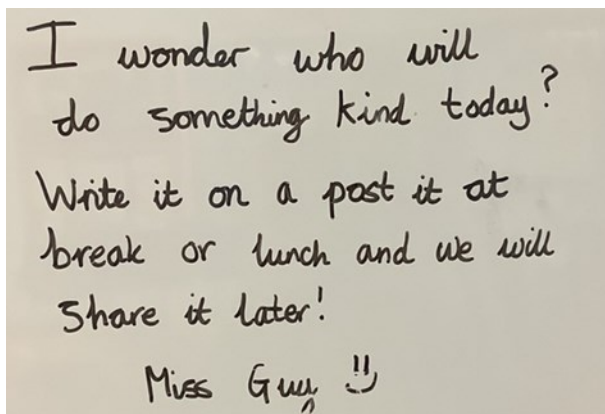


Grow Your Well-Being



Some fabulous work across the school for **Children's Mental Health Week!!!** From class gratitude jars, posters, individual presentations, and proud Peacock moments, to class discussions and lots more. Promoting good mental health and well-being is something we are very passionate about and equally embed into everything we do, on a daily basis. We like to see this week as a **celebration** of that and not something we just do for this week.

Well done class 5 for this wonderful addition...



My Voice Matters

We all have a voice, feelings and needs but some of us find it tricky to express them. Below are some great phrases you can practise using at home to help with this. The more you use them, the easier it will become to express yourself.

I'm not feeling okay right now, can I talk to you?

I don't agree with... because...

I'd like to spend time with you...

I'm frightened of... because...

I'd like to be on my own right now because...

PTA NEWS



Cathedral School PTA

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](#)

CHELMSFORD
YOU



BOOK WEEK

WE'RE GOING ON A BOOK ADVENTURE. WE'RE GOING TO DISCOVER A GOOD READ!

HEAD TO CHELMSFORD CITY CENTRE THIS **FEBRUARY HALF TERM** & JOIN US FOR FREE FAMILY FUN.

JOIN OUR BOOK TRAIL!

THIS HALF TERM WE ARE OFFERING THE CHANCE TO WIN ONE OF FIVE £100 BOOK VOUCHERS FOR YOUR SCHOOL LIBRARY.

TO BE IN WITH A CHANCE TO WIN THIS FANTASTIC PRIZE, AND FOR DETAILS, TIMES AND LOCATIONS OF OUR ACTIVITIES, VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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