
School Newsletter 1.12.23

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Headteacher's Welcome

Welcome to this week's newsletter. With so much to read and enjoy this week, I will keep my introduction brief.

Thank you to the parents who organised and hosted last Friday's wreath making evening. I've received some wonderful feedback and would like to thank you for your generosity in supporting this brand new PTA event. Thank you!

Year 6 are very much looking forward to sharing their production of 'The Show Must Go On' with you next week. The dress rehearsals have been a fantastic start!

Lastly, at the end of this term, Mrs Lipscombe, our drama teacher will be

leaving CSPA. Mrs Lipscombe has been at our school for 11 years delivering drama to CSPA pupils past and present. She has also shared her love of gardening and plants with the children over the years too and it is this other passion that will keep Mrs Lipscombe busy, as well as spending time with her family. Thank you Mrs Lipscombe for all you have done for CSPA.

This week's newsletter includes:

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Good luck to our Choir and to Miss Goldsack singing at the CSP Fun Night tonight! Have a great weekend!

Mrs Alburg

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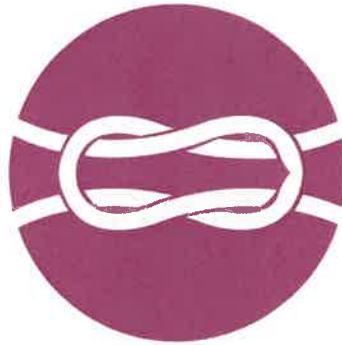


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Our half term Value:

This half term we will be focussing in school on the value

TRUST



[CLICK HERE](#) to access fun activities for you to do with your family together alongside topics to stimulate discussion and reflection about **TRUST**.



TRUST



‘My God is my strength in whom I trust.’

Psalm 18.2

QUOTES & QUESTIONS

Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God.
(Corrie Ten Boom)

Trust yourself, you know more than you think.
(Benjamin Spock)

Corrie Ten Boom faced many tasks and challenges in her life. She got through them because she trusted God to provide what she needed. Do you trust God to help you?

Can you remember an occasion when you surprised yourself by what you were able to achieve?

Trust is the most valuable thing you will ever earn.
(Anon)

Trust takes years to build, seconds to break.
(Anon)

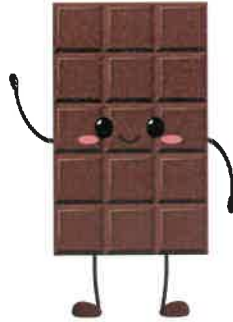
How trustworthy are you?

What do you think this saying means? Try to put it into your own words.

Sharing success in the local community

Jesus said 'I have come that you may have life in all its fullness' (John 10:10). He calls us to a full life in mind, body, heart and spirit. At CSPA, we believe the purpose of education is to nurture and enable every child to thrive and to be the person they are fully capable of being. We are proud of what our children achieve, not only in school but outside of school too!

If your child achieves success in the community we would love to hear about it. Please email a summary and any photographs to the School Office to feature here.





Golden Rule

The one rule for all of us in school is:

*Everyone will act with gentleness
and respect to others at all times.*

*We will keep ourselves
and others safe.*

Chocolate Treat Friday!

Every Friday staff recognise 1 child in each class who has **consistently shown the Golden Rule** throughout the week. The chosen child receives a chocolate treat from Mrs Alburg, a certificate and a HUGE round of applause in Collective Worship. Today the children enjoyed a Curly Wurly!

Congratulations to:

Yr 3: Cooper, Bodhi, Hector

Yr 4: Elif, Pearl, Simran

Yr 5: Su, Eloise, Margot

Yr 6: Bethany, Isla, Louie



Class Assemblies - Reminders

The class assemblies will be on Fridays starting promptly at 9:10am and finishing at 9:30am. You are welcome to arrive at 9am. The assembly will be shared in our school hall.

To give you prior notice, the dates of each class assembly are shared below:

Year 3	Class 1:	Friday 15th December 2023
Year 6	Class 11:	Friday 19th January 2024
Year 5	Class 9:	Friday 26th January 2024
Year 4	Class 5:	Friday 9th February 2024
Year 3	Class 2:	Friday 1st March 2024
Year 6	Class 10:	Friday 15th March 2024 – change of date*
Year 5	Class 8:	Friday 3rd May 2024
Year 4	Class 6:	Friday 17th May 2024
Year 3	Class 3:	Friday 21st June 2024
Year 6	Class 12:	Friday 5th July 2024

*Please note change of date for Class 10 due to the Spring Fayre.

To ensure that we do not exceed the hall's capacity and be compliant with fire regulations, we ask that a maximum of two members of each family attend the assembly. Siblings not of school age can attend but will need to sit on adults' laps. There is no need to register your attendance, please just arrive at 9am via the school office. Please note that the rest of the school will have the opportunity to also enjoy the assembly at a later time that morning.

We look forward to seeing you and welcoming you to our class assemblies.



Curriculum news



The CSPA Curriculum



Curriculum
Design



Curriculum
Drivers



Curriculum
Policy



The CSPA
Rainbow

Curriculum Subjects



English



Reading



Mathematics



Religious
Education



Science



Computing



Art and Design



Drama



Humanities



PSHE



Languages



Music



Physical
Education

In this section you can find out just a small amount of the high quality teaching and learning that happens inside, and out, of CSPA!

Don't forget to explore our CSPA curriculum on our website.

This week let's focus on Religious Education. Click [here](#) to go to the Religious Education Page. Here you will find more information about our intent for our RE curriculum, the curriculum map and of course our desired impact for all pupils.



Year 6 Christmas Production

The Year 6 Christmas Production performance dates for parents are as follows:

Tuesday 5th December at 7pm

Wednesday 6th December at 7pm

Thursday 7th December at 7pm

Parents will need a ticket to attend. Tickets have been sent home with the children this week.

Please read the letter emailed out to Year 6 parents today about detailed arrangements for the evening performances.

Today, Helen Rayner has taken photos of the cast and more information will be shared about how to view and purchase them. Please may I remind you to let the school office know if you do not wish for your child's photo to be in the shared online gallery.

Thank you for all of your support. We are so excited to share the show with you very soon!

If anybody can help with dismantling the stage on Friday 8th December, please let the school know (please see email sent on 10.11.23). Thank you.

Mrs Alburg

Year 4 Nativity

The Year 4 Nativity performance dates for parents are as follows:

Tuesday 12th December at 10:30am

Wednesday 13th December at 1:30pm

Parents will need a ticket to attend. Please refer to the email sent out last Monday on how to apply for tickets.

Costumes

Year 4 are enjoying rehearsing for their nativity and have now all been allocated their roles.

To help with the Nativity I would be very grateful if you could support with their costumes. For some roles I have school costumes which the children will wear. If anyone has any other costumes at home we could use for other children but your child does not need we would be very grateful for them.

Could costumes please come into school as soon as possible in a clearly

named carrier bag. The latest date for this is Monday 4th December.

Please speak to me if you have any queries or concerns about providing a costume.

Mrs Valentine

Year 5 Mystery Reader

This week we were visited by Miss Webster who read *The Little Book of David Attenborough!* We are very grateful to Miss Webster for coming in and spending time with us despite not having much of a voice left!

Here is what Myles said: 'I'm lucky because my mum has been in before in Year 3. I like listening to my mum read. I liked the book she chose and I thought it was a good choice because it linked to our Geography. We also heard a little bit about my mum's job and how she tries to make less pollution for the earth. I am grateful for my mum that she came in.'



Year 5 Virtual Visit: Juggling Scientist Dr Ken

This week, children in Year 5 enjoyed a virtual visit from Dr Ken. They had a great time and learned a lot about forces.

Below is what Matthew Class 7 has written about the event:

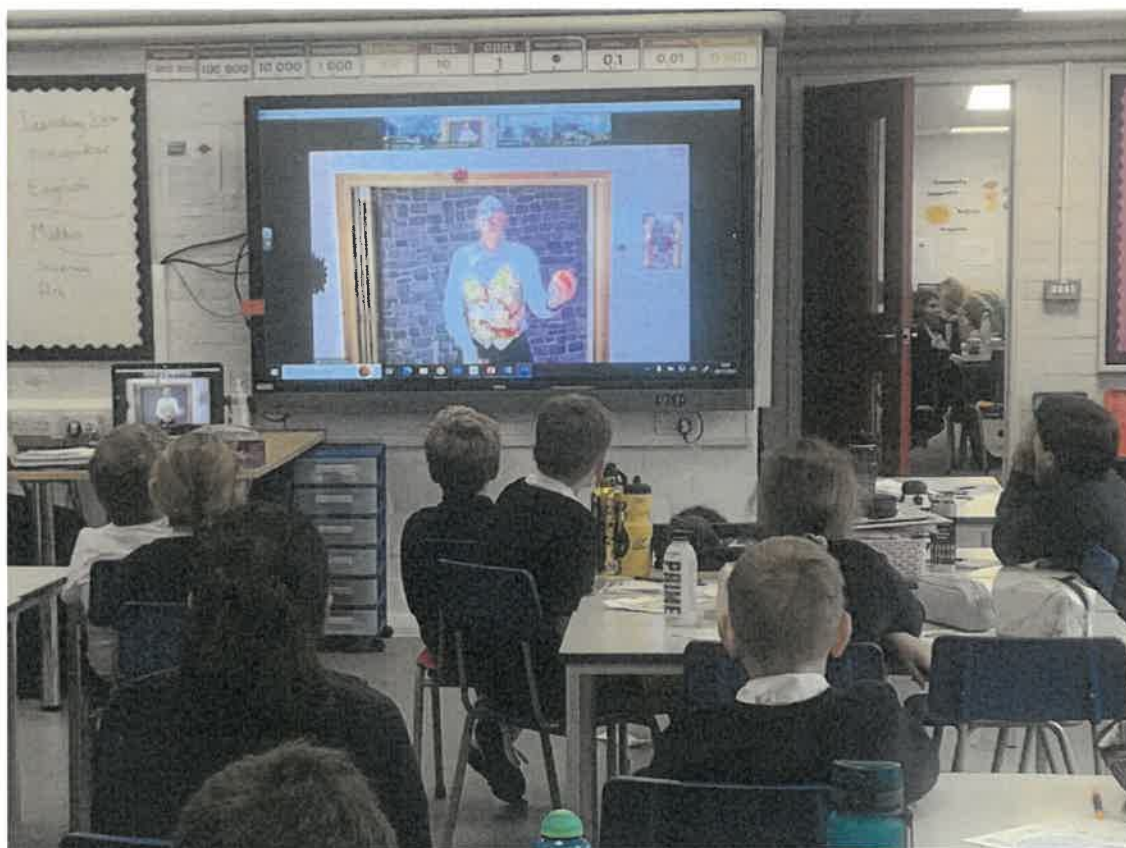
On Tuesday, Scientist, Dr Ken, held a zoom call with us. He taught us about the forces in Science such as static electricity. He demonstrated it with a really fun experiment. He took a balloon and rubbed it up and down his arm which through friction created static electricity. He showed the static electricity by taking the balloon and sticking it against the window, where it stayed until the static electricity faded away and the balloon sank to the floor. He explained everything is made up of atoms and friction disturbs them and makes static

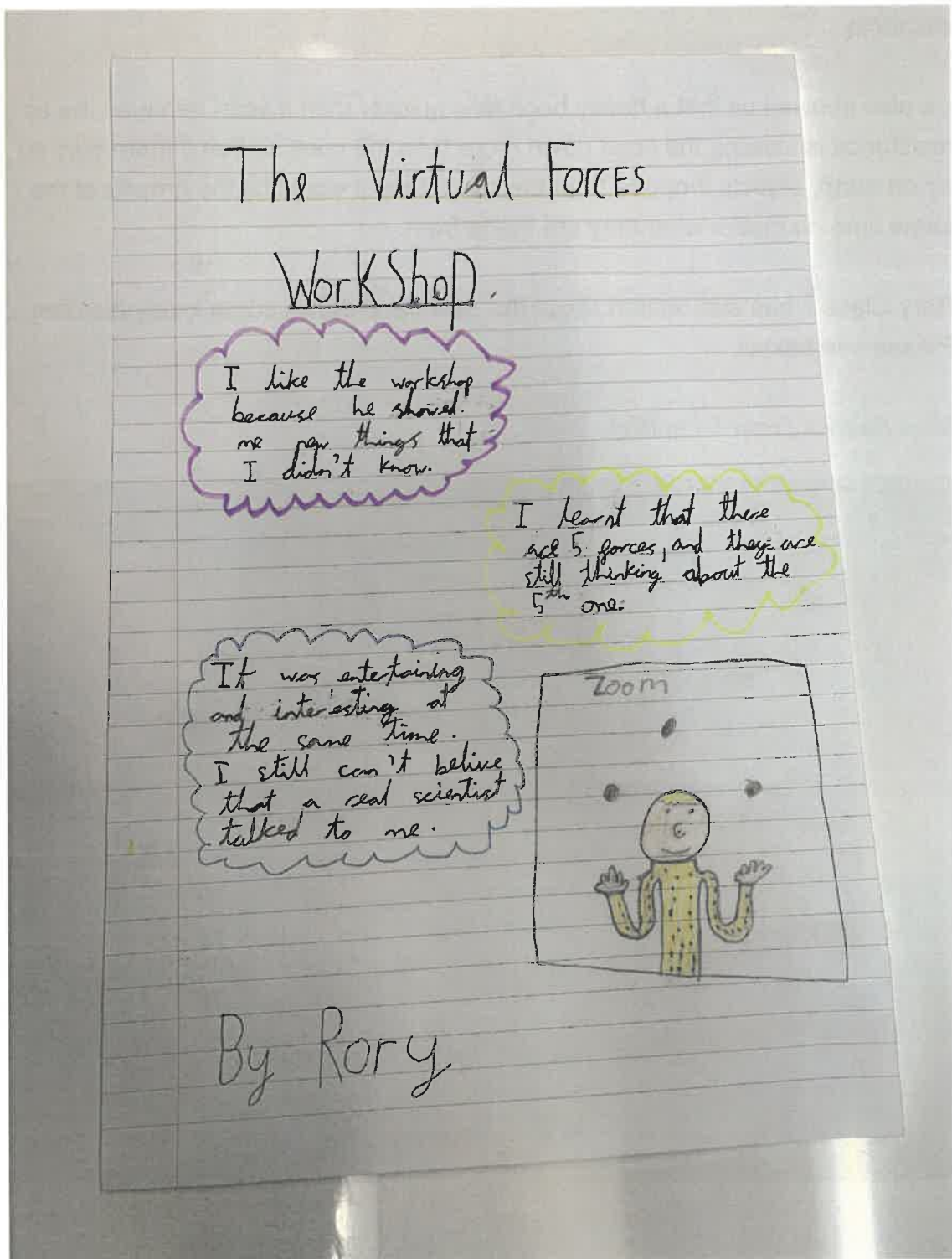
electricity.

He also showed us that a heavy book falls quicker than a scarf because the air resistance is slowing the scarf down more than the book so that if there was no air on earth, objects dropped from the same height would hit the ground at the same time no matter what they are made from.

Rory Class 7 has also written about the event and drawn some lovely pictures. Please see below!

Miss Badrick (Year 5 Leader)





Year 3 Iron Man Junk Modelling

On Monday, year 3 took on the challenge of designing and building their own version of the Iron Man out of junk. They used their knowledge of junk modelling from previous learning to work out how to attach the different elements together, and they all worked really hard to follow their designs - there was some excellent problem-solving going on, too! A huge thank you to the following parents for coming in and supporting the children:

Class 1 - Miss Thorpe, Miss Ricketts, Mrs Hackett and Mrs Burge

Class 2 - Mr Vajir, Mrs Rabadia and Mrs Bennett

Class 3 - Miss Loughnane, Mrs Sheen, Mrs Langdown and Mrs Kaur

Take a look at some of the finished masterpieces here!





Year 3 Christmas Party Lunch

As is traditional, Year 3 would like to hold a party lunch on Monday 18th December. So instead of their usual packed lunch, we invite the children to bring in some party food to share such as cooked mini sausages, crisps, a plate of sandwiches, cut up fruit or individual cakes. In the past we have not found it necessary to allocate certain foods to individual children as we usually have a good balance of sweet and savoury items. Please do not send huge amounts as we always have too much food! Each class will have a buffet table of shared food but please be reassured that Covid measures will be in place such as hand washing and careful supervision of the food table to ensure that items are not touched and put back! If your child has food allergies, please talk to their class teacher beforehand to indicate your wishes – it may be that they need to bring in an individual festive lunch. Please could your child also bring a paper plate. If they would like to bring in table decorations or crackers for their table these would be very welcome too. We will supply some fizzy drinks for the party. In the afternoon we will play party games together in the hall.

Thank you for your cooperation in advance and we will be asking for 2- 3 parent helpers per class through our class coordinators. We ask that helpers can be available in school for 11:30 am until 12:30 pm.

Year 3 Team

CHILTERN FOODBANK



"I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, ... Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25: 35 & 40)

The Wings have been thinking about the true meaning of Christmas. We know we are very fortunate and have such a lot, but there are many people in our community who struggle. We have decided that we would like to support the Chiltern Foodbank who help local people who are in a crisis.

There are a number of items below that are **urgently** needed and others that make up part of a food parcel. Small portions are much more useful than large bottles/bags as they can't be split and no fresh food.

If you would like to contribute, please bring one or more of the following items into school and we will get it to the Chiltern Foodbank. A shopping trolley will be in the entrance hall for your contributions.

Items Urgently Needed

- Rice (500G)
- Smash/Powdered potato
- Sponge puddings
- Chocolate biscuits
- Small bottles of vegetable oil



Other items you can contribute that are in a food parcel are:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cereal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lentils and pulses | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biscuits |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Soup | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tinned meat | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UHT milk |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tinned vegetables | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fruit juice |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tinned tomatoes/
pasta sauce | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tea/coffee | |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tinned fruit | |


We **don't** need these items

- No baked beans please
- No pasta please
- No Fresh food please

14:50



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 **WOW! How incredible! Thank you to everyone who donated gifts for the Samaritan's Purse Christmas Child appeal. We have been overwhelmed with the response from our community! These gifts are now making their way to children around the world.**



Stationery reminder!

To help your child fully access the curriculum, please ensure that they are always equipped with glue sticks, scissors, pencils and a ruler!

Choir Activities

We look forward to the choir's performance at Chalfont St Peter Village Fun

Night tonight (7.15 pm - 7.25 pm).

Also:

Thursday 7th December - Maria Taylor Carol Concert at St Peter's Church (service begins at 7pm).

We are aware that year 6 children in the choir will be unable to attend the Maria Taylor Concert because it is the same week as the Year 6 production. An email with further details and sign-up forms has been sent out to the children in choir .
Miss Goldsack



We're part of the
Co-op Local Community Fund

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CO-OP LOCAL COMMUNITY FUND

HELP US....

We are delighted to be one of the chosen charities for the Co-op Local Community Fund which is raising funds to restore nature to our playground, this will hopefully see new planting, raised beds and planters introduced. The programme runs for 12 months, and we need your support to increase our donations as much as possible.

If you have a Co-op card, please log on and select CSPA as your chosen charity.

<https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/76625>

If you're not a Co-op member and do use the store, please register for a card and select CSPA as your chosen charity. We've currently raised nearly £30

since launching and in previous years other local charities have received in the region of £2,000 - £3,000. The more members who select us, the more funds we'll raise.

How you can get involved

Copy and paste this ready-made post to your social media channels with this [image](#) to promote the campaign.

If you're @CoopUK member or customer, you can give the gift of community spirit this Christmas.

Donate to the Co-op Local Community Fund and they will match your donation, so causes like us will benefit! Find out more at coop.co.uk/givethegift



What to do if your child is ill or absent from school

To report an absence from school, an email must be sent on each day of absence to absent@cspacademy.org.uk

To request a planned absence from school, [CLICK HERE](#) to complete an online Google form. Forms can also be located under the 'parents' tab on our school website www.cspacademy.org.uk

VACANCY



Childcare Assistant Breakfast, After School & Holiday Clubs Chalfont St Peter

Busy Living is looking for an experienced person with a background of working within a school or childcare environment to support our breakfast, after school and holiday clubs.

**Hours can be flexible and during term time are
7.30am-8.45am for the Breakfast Club and/or 3pm-6pm for the After School Club
Full training and support given.**

**Please email
info@busy-living.co.uk or call 07866 763 716 / 01494 702 702**



PTA News

Watch this space for news of this year's fundraising target! Have an idea of what you would like the PTA to purchase for the children? Come along to the next meeting to share your ideas!!



Christmas Sales

The CSPA PTA will once again be running the very successful children's Christmas Sales ahead of the end of term. This much-loved PTA event gives the children the opportunity to choose and purchase a small present for a loved one and enjoy the act of giving at Christmas. The gifts will be wrapped in school, allowing children to experience the joy of giving during our festive season!

The sales will be on:

Wednesday, 6th December (Years 3 & 5)

and

Thursday 7th December (Years 4+6)

The PTA have kindly extended the deadline for ordering gifts until the end of Monday 4th December. Please order on ParentPay by the end of Monday if you still wish to purchase gifts.

We would be grateful for a few parents to help wrap presents on the day. If you would like to help, please email the School Office giving your name and contact telephone number and indicate which day you would be available (11.30 am – 1.30 pm). Your details will then be passed to the PTA who will contact you. If you are contacted to help please bring some wrapping paper, scissors and Sellotape on the day.

We hope that you will once again be able to support this special event and that the children enjoy giving their gifts this Christmas time.

Many thanks.

PTA

Wreath Making

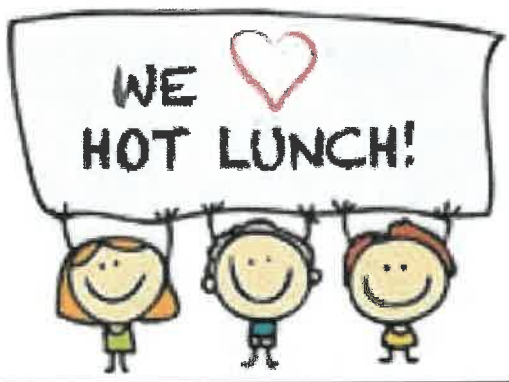
I'm really pleased to let you know that that wreath making evening that took place on Friday night was a huge success. Not only did we raise a significant amount of money for the PTA but we have also had lots of positive feedback from the ladies that came along saying how much they enjoyed it. Jayne Webster is still in the process of totting up the final amount but we estimate that we will have raised in the region of £1,250. As you can see from the photos there were a lot of beautiful festive wreaths and some very proud and happy faces! The evening would not have been possible without the help of Gemma Kelly who was hugely generous in giving her time, expertise and materials along with Jennie Hackett and Jayne Webster who also worked their socks off to make the event such a fun night. Birring Greengrocers, Wenzels and Tesco GX kindly donated oranges, minced pies and a £20 voucher respectively.

Mrs Koski on behalf of the PTA





PTA Hot Lunch and Wear a Christmas Jumper Day Friday, 15th December



Christmas Jumper Day

All children are invited to wear a festive Christmas jumper to school on **Friday 15th December** for 'Liberty's Legacy'. All donations will go towards raising vital funds for life saving research into Ewing Sarcoma, an aggressive bone cancer.

As many of you know, Liberty was once a CSPA pupil and sadly passed away from Ewing Sarcoma in 2017. Please help her memory live on, and help others by taking part and giving generously. Please bring in any donations in cash on the day.

Hot Lunch

Our next PTA hot lunch will be on the same day, **Friday, 15th December**.

The choices are **fishcake, chicken nuggets, plain meat sausage or a**

vegetarian sausage, all of which come with chips and a KitKat to follow plus a Christmas gift. The children will still need to bring their own drink and are actively encouraged to also bring a small vegetable accompaniment such as cucumber or carrot sticks.

The cost of the lunch is £5.00. If you wish to make an additional donation to the school, you can do so by entering a higher amount in ParentPay. Proceeds over and above the cost of the lunch go towards purchasing valuable items for the school. Children are under no obligation to have a hot lunch – some will prefer their usual lunchbox so please do not feel under any pressure to include your child.

If you wish for your child to take part please login in to ParentPay www.parentpay.com, select the 'hot lunch' item stating your child's food preference: fishcake, chicken nuggets, plain meat sausage or a vegetarian sausage in the comments box. Please note if payment is not made, an order will not be placed for your child.

Deadline for ordering is Sunday, 10th December.
Unfortunately, no orders can be accepted after this date.

We would once again like to invite parents into school to help serve lunch. If you are able to help, please contact your Class Coordinator through Classlist.

Thank you in advance for supporting these two events.



Upcoming dates:

DATE	EVENT	TIME	YEAR GROUP
Fri 1.12	CSP Village Fun Night	CSPA to perform 7.15pm	ALL

Mon 4.12	Year 3 trip to CstP Library	pm	Year 3
Mon 4.12	Year 6 Production Dress Rehearsal	1.30 pm - 2.45 pm	School to watch
Tues 5.12	Year 6 Production	7pm - 8.15 pm	Yr6 Parents - tickets only
Wed 6.12	PTA Christmas Sale	Lunchtime	Years 3 & 5
Wed 6.12	Year 6 Production	7pm - 8.15 pm	Yr6 Parents - tickets only
Thurs 7.12	PTA Christmas Sale	Lunchtime	Years 4 & 6
Thurs 7.12	Year 6 Production	7pm - 8.15 pm	Yr6 Parents - tickets only
Thurs 7.12	Maria Taylor Concert	7pm - 8pm	Choir
Fri 8.12	Stage Dismantling	All day	Parent volunteers welcome
Tues 12.12.	Year 4 Nativity Performance for parents	10.30am - 11.30am	Yr 4 Parents - ticket only
Tues 12.12	Year 4 Nativity	1.30 pm - 3 pm	Yr 3 & Yr5 to watch
Wed 13.12	Year 6 Heights & Weights	am	Year 6
Wed 13.12	Year 4 Nativity	10.30 am - 12 noon	Yr 6 to watch
Wed 13.12	Year 4 Nativity Performance for parents	1.30 pm - 2.30 pm	Yr4 Parents - ticket only
Fri 15.12	Wear a Christmas Jumper Day	All Day	ALL
Fri 15.12	Class 1 Assembly	9.10 am - 9.30 am	Class 1 Parents invited to watch
Fri 15.12	PTA Hot Lunch	Lunchtime	ALL
Mon 18.12	Year 3 Christmas Lunch and Party	Lunchtime & pm	Year 3
Tues 19.12	School Closes at earlier time of 1.30pm for Christmas holidays	1.30 pm	ALL



SAVE THE DATES:

Year 6 production: week commencing 4th December

Year 4 Nativity: week commencing 11th December

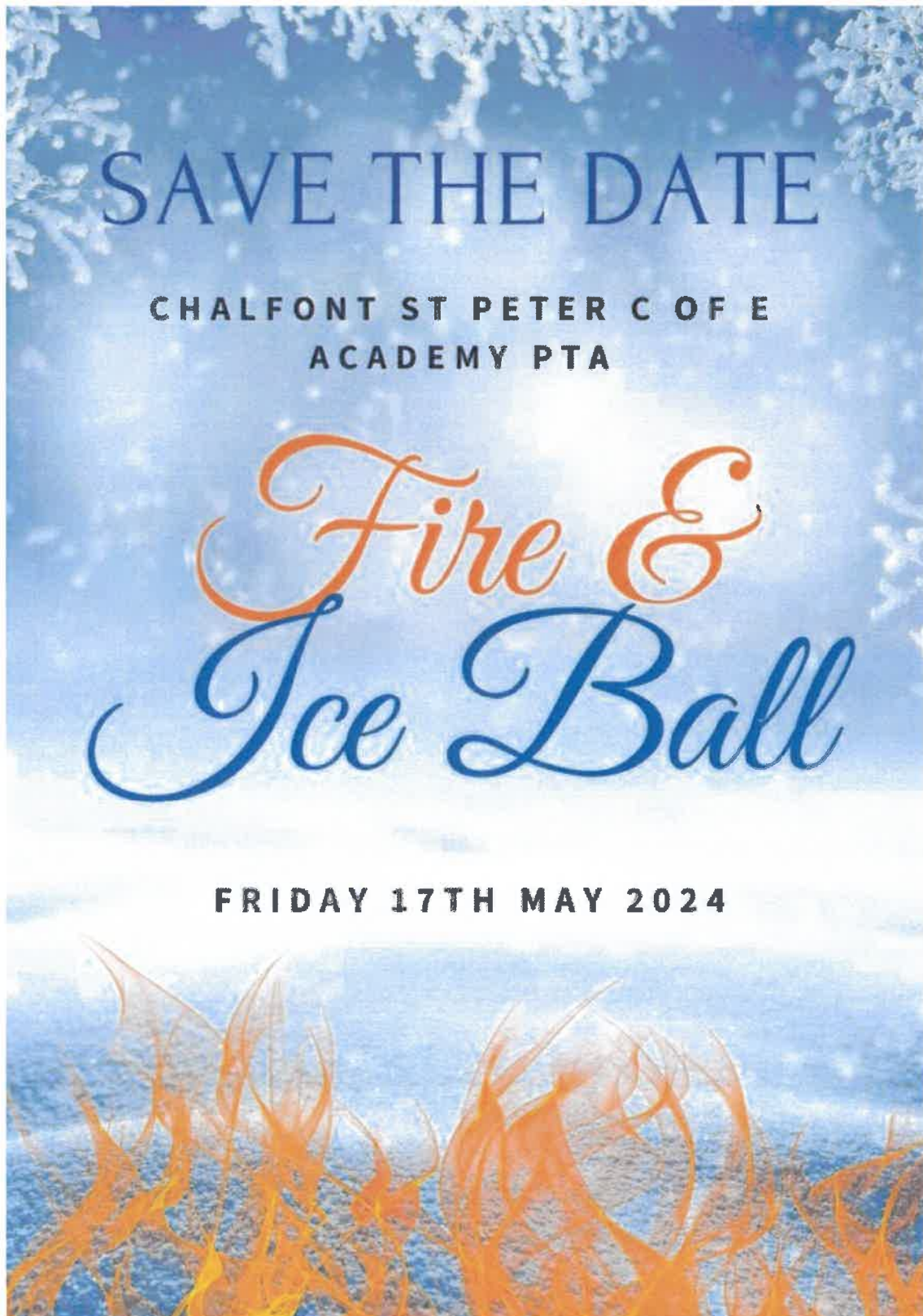
Close for Christmas: Tues 19th December 1:30pm

[Click here](#) to view the full school calendar

[Click here](#) to access the extra curriculum timetable

[Click here](#) to access term dates for 2023/24





Community Events

Please note that Chalfont St Peter Church of England Academy does not accept any responsibility for advertised community events, nor do we endorse them.



Join us at our Christingle

Sunday 3rd December at 4pm

St Peter's Parish Hall

Celebrating Christingle and the Christmas story with donations in aid of The Children's Society.

Christingle

Sunday December 3rd. 4.p.m.

Parish Church Hall, Church Lane.

Each year we celebrate the beginning of the Advent Season with a short **Christingle** event. The focus is on families with children but everyone is welcome.

This Sunday we meet in the Parish Hall at 4 p.m. where children make Christingles with oranges, red ribbon, sticks, sweet and raisins, and candles. We then move into church to light the candles and sing some Christingle songs to well known tunes (spot the nursery rhyme!). We remember that Jesus came to the world to bring light and that we are lights in the world when things look dark. We finish by singing 'Light of the World.' Shurene Bishop (remember her at International Evening) will be leading the singing.

We shall also learn briefly about the work of the Children's Society charity which does amazing work helping children in need. There will be an opportunity to contribute to a collection for them but it is entirely voluntary, with no pressure.

Everyone is welcome. There is no need to book but it will help us with preparing sufficient craft materials if you can let us know the number of children coming with you. Please email: jim@csp.church if you get the chance.

We hope to see you on Sunday.

Jim King
Chair of Governors

The Lovel End PTA presents

The Chalfont St Peter Infant School

Christmas

Fair

SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER

1-4pm

WINTER WONDERLAND
Santa's Grotto
Bouncy castle
Christmas raffle
Face painting
ARTS & CRAFTS

only £1
entry

Tombolas
Xmas games
FOOD & DRINK
BAR
Tinsel TOWN
plus loads more...



**B Discover Bucks
Museum**
& Roald Dahl Children's Gallery

Discover Bucks Museum
Church Street
Aylesbury HP20 2QP
discoverbucksmuseum.org
01296 331441

Family Christmas Day

Saturday 2 December 2023

11am - 4pm

Step back in time this December with our Christmas Family Day! Try your hand at historical Christmas crafts, play traditional seasonal games, visit our Christmas Craft Fair and don't forget to keep an eye out for a very special Christmas visitor straight from the North Pole!

For more event details, charges and to book please scan the QR code or visit discoverbucksmuseum.org



Your ticket includes the Family Christmas Day, Christmas Trail, Roald Dahl Children's Gallery, I Grew Up 80s exhibition & Craft Fair.

Adult £5.50, Child £3.50, Under 3s Free

Family tickets available discoverbucksmuseum.org



Prayer:

Hold my hand, Lord, show me the way
Help me be grateful for every day
Show me the difference between right and wrong
Keep me safe, Lord, all night long
Give me direction on what to do,
lead the way, Lord, I trust in you
Amen



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