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## School Newsletter 24.11.23

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## Headteacher's Welcome

Welcome to this week's newsletter and dare I say it...it's beginning to look like Christmas at CSPA! Rehearsals for the Year 4 nativity and Year 6 production are in full swing, teachers are planning activities as we approach advent and the Christmas decorations are out of the cupboards. We are not getting too excited yet but preparing for the most special time of year. If you're a parent of a Year 4 or Year 6 child, please take the time to read about preparations for performances later in the newsletter.

Please also take the time to catch up on upcoming PTA news and an update on class assemblies too.

Thank you to parents who have responded to my plea last week about parking at drop off and pick up. Please may I urge **all** parents to park with the

safety of the children and our families as paramount and with thought and consideration towards other parents and our neighbours. Thank you.

This week's newsletter includes:

Chocolate Treat Friday

Class Assemblies

Curriculum news (online safety our computing curriculum)

Year 6 Production

Year 4 Nativity

Year 5 Virtual Visit: Juggling Scientist Dr Ken

Mystery Reader Yr5

Year 3 Iron Man Junk Modelling

Year 3 Christmas Lunch

Choir activities

Co-op Community Fund

PTA news and events - Christmas sales

Community Events

Value prayer

Finally some wonderful news to share. Mrs Harrison had a baby girl this week! Little Florence arrived on Monday and mummy and baby are both well and now at home. We have sent lots of CSPA love and best wishes to Mrs Harrison and her family for their new arrival. Please see a gorgeous picture of Florence below.

Have a happy weekend! If you are going to the Christmas wreath making evening tonight, I hope you have a wonderful and festive time!

Mrs Alburg



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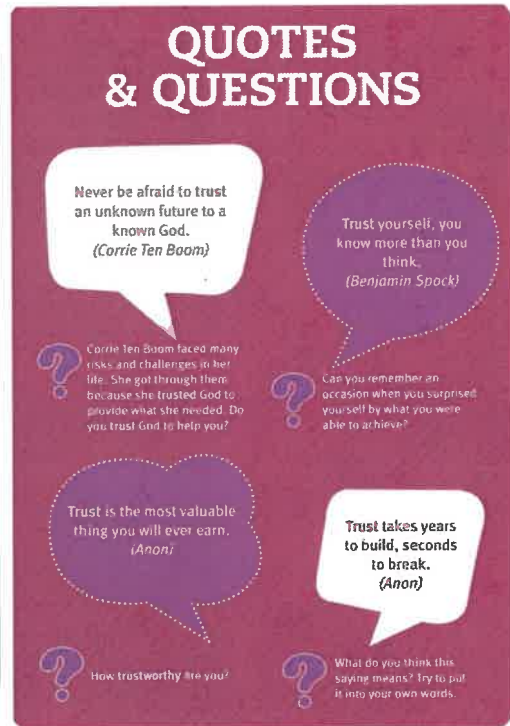
### Our half term Value:

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**.



### 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.





## 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 chocolate caramel doughnuts!

Congratulations to:

Yr 3: Bea, Zara, Eloise

Yr 4: Yvie, Harry G, Jack M

Yr 5: Sophia C, Celina, Oli L

Yr 6: Olivia, Brogan, Ollie



## 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.



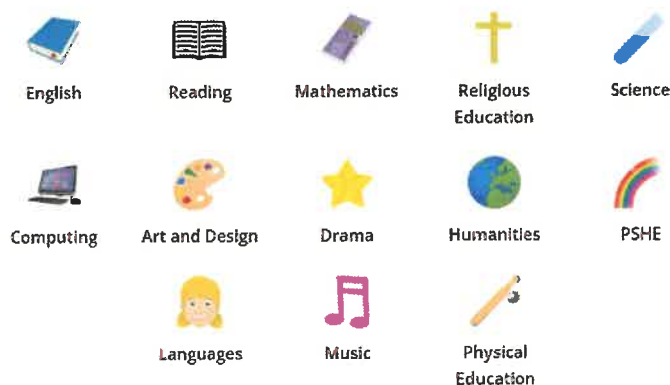
## Curriculum news



### The CSPA Curriculum



### Curriculum Subjects



**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 Computing. Click [here](#) to go to the Computing Page. Here you will find more information about our intent for our computing curriculum, the implementation of skills and knowledge and the desired impact of teaching and learning.

You can also find out more about keeping safe online and when using devices. For more information, click [here](#).

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## **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

I will write to parents in more detail about this next week, but children will be expected to return to school between 6:00pm and 6:30pm for their evening performances. They will need to be collected between 8:00pm-8:30pm. I will be able to be more precise next week once we have run through the show. Parents will need a ticket to attend. Please refer to the previous email giving more information. Tickets will be sent home with the children next week.

Dress rehearsals will happen during the school day on Thursday 30th November, Friday 1st December and Monday 4th December. Professional photographs will be taken of the individuals and the cast for parents to purchase online if they wish. More information to follow.

Thank you to those parents who helped with stage building on Monday 20th November. 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.

Please don't forget that costumes can start to come into school from Monday 27th November and must be in school by Wednesday 29th November. Please make sure the costume is on a hanger, has a cover and is clearly named.

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

*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 on 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*

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## Year 5 Mystery Reader

We were lucky enough to have another Mystery reader again in year 5 this week! The children (especially Maya) thoroughly enjoyed the surprise of Mrs Cole and her captivating storytelling.

The children loved hearing about the book series Rainbow Gray by Laura Ellen Anderson. Mrs Cole engaged the children with her incredible voices and amazing printed illustrations from the book.

The children heard chapter 1 of Rainbow Gray which takes readers on an enchanting hilarious adventure into a world where colors are





disappearing. The book follows the journey of a young girl named Lily, who discovers that a mischievous magician has stolen all the colors from the world, leaving everything gray and dreary. Determined to bring back the vibrancy and joy, Lily embarks on a quest to find the lost colors and restore them to their rightful places.

The year 5 team and I would like to say a massive thank you to Mrs Cole for volunteering her time, we all loved the Rainbow Gray!

*Miss Gallagher*

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## **Year 5 Virtual Visit: Juggling Scientist Dr Ken**

We are excited to announce a special event for Year 5 pupils that will take place on the 28th of November - a Virtual Forces Workshop! This workshop will provide our children with a fun and engaging opportunity to recap their science learning from last term while exploring the fascinating world of circus performers and how they use forces to entertain their audiences.

During this virtual workshop, pupils will have the chance to witness first hand the physics behind the gravity-defying acts performed by circus professionals. Through interactive demonstrations and engaging activities, they will discover how forces play a crucial role in creating the captivating performances we all enjoy.

To make this workshop possible, a nominal donation of £3 per student has been added to Parent Pay. Your contribution will go towards covering the expenses associated with organising this experience. The Virtual Forces Workshop will be conducted entirely online during the school day. It promises to be an exciting educational experience that will not only reinforce your child's understanding of forces but also inspire them to explore the wonders of physics further.

*Miss Badrick (Year 5 Leader)*

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## Year 3 Iron Man Junk Modelling

We will be studying The Iron Man by Ted Hughes in English this term, and are planning to complete a Design and Technology project, designing and building our own Iron Man junk models over the coming weeks. We will be building these on Monday 27th November, and we therefore have a few requests:

1) Please start cleaning and saving up some of the items below. If there is an item that your child particularly wants to use in their own model, please ensure their name is written on it. We will ask for these to be brought in the week before (w/c 20.11.23):

- Plastic milk cartons
- Bottle tops from eg. milk/juice/squash/water bottles
- Egg boxes
- Pots from eg. yoghurt, cream etc. (small and large)
- Cardboard boxes (cereal boxes, juice cartons, boxes of varied sizes/shapes)
- Kitchen roll tubes (toilet rolls cannot be accepted for hygiene reasons!)
- Tubes from inside foil/cling film/baking paper/wrapping paper
- Plastic tubs from fruit/veg (eg. grapes)
- Any other junk that you believe may be suitable (please do not bring in anything that has stored meat or nuts, no glass, and nothing with sharp edges eg. tin cans)

\*In previous years, we have had several bags full of junk remaining after the activity which we have been unable to dispose of in school due to the quantity, so please be aware your child may return home after the activity with some of the junk to be recycled at home!\*

2) If you are able, please provide a full roll of tin foil for your child - again, we will ask for these to be brought in during the week before.

Many thanks.

*The Year 3 Team*



## 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*

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### Stationary reminder!

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

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### Choir Activities - Save the Dates!

The choir has been invited to sing at two events in the run up to Christmas. If your child is in the choir, or if you are able to come along and support the children singing, please save these dates:

Friday 1st December - singing at Chalfont St Peter Fun Night (7.15 pm - 7.25 pm)

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*



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Co-op Local Community Fund

**Choose us as  
your cause**

[coop.co.uk/membership](https://coop.co.uk/membership)

## 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.



## 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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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, 6<sup>th</sup> December (Years 3 & 5)**  
**and**

### Thursday 7th December (Years 4+6)

We will be taking orders and payment via ParentPay. In order for the PTA to source the correct number and type of presents, please go to your ParentPay account at [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) and select from the options available adding the number of presents your child wishes to purchase. The options this year will be: mum, dad, grandmother and grandfather and each of the presents are priced at £3. We kindly ask that all orders are in no later than **Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> November**.

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. However, children are under no obligation to place an order, so please don't feel under any pressure to participate.

Many thanks.  
PTA



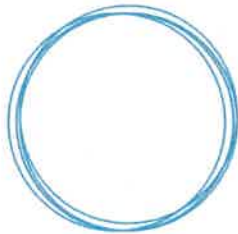
### Upcoming dates:

DATE	EVENT	TIME	YEAR GROUP
Fri 24.11	PTA Wreath making	7 - 9pm	ALL: ticketed event
Mon 27.11	Year 3 - Iron Man Junk Modelling	pm	Year 3

Tues 28.11	Year 5 Virtual Forces Workshop	All Day	Year 5
Wed 29.11	Year 3 Sports Festival	am	Year 3
Thurs 30.11	Year 6 Production Dress Rehearsal	1.30 pm - 2.45 pm	School to watch
Fri 1.12	Mrs Rayner to take production photos	11.45 am	Year 6
Fri 1.12	Year 6 Production Dress Rehearsal	1.30 pm - 2.45 pm	School to watch plus Year 2 from CStP Infant School
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.*

**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](http://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 3's Free  
Family tickets available  
[discoverbucksmuseum.org](http://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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