

Friday, 22nd November 2024



## Headteacher's Welcome

I hope you have all enjoyed a wonderful week! This week has certainly brought some colder weather. Please may I take this opportunity to remind you to ensure that your children have all they need to wrap up warm for breaktimes and lunchtimes as well as for Games and PE lessons. Thank you.

Over the past few weeks, I am so proud of how CSPA has shown our autumn term values of generosity and compassion. So far this term, we have supported the Chiltern Foodbank, Children in Need and the Poppy Appeal. I am proud to reveal that we have raised £461 for the Poppy Appeal, alongside the £475 raised for Children in Need last week. We always talk to the children about how you can be generous in lots of different ways - with your time, your thoughts

and actions and of course with kindness and compassion. Thank you for helping us to encourage these values in the children.

A few quick reminders about some PTA events:

- The deadline to order a CSPA candle for is today ready for the candles to be delivered w/c 9th December. The candles make perfect Christmas gifts for family and friends so please place your order to not miss out!
- The last few tickets are available for the PTA wreath-making on Wednesday 27th November. Don't miss out!
- You will have received an email about our PTA Christmas Sales for 2024. They are coming up on Tuesday 10th December and Wednesday 11th December.

Preparation for the Year 4 and Year 6 productions are fully underway and you will gradually receive more information over the coming days alongside what you have already received. More information can also be read below.

Take care everyone and have a happy and enjoyable weekend.

Best wishes

Mrs Alburg

Key items:

- Choose Chalfont Campaign
  - Class assemblies reminder
  - Year 6 Production
  - Year 4 Nativity
  - PTA News
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## Choose Chalfont

We are very pleased to be supporting the Choose Chalfont campaign to help our local shops and businesses during the challenges of the current road closures. We have always been well-supported by these businesses and we're happy to be able to offer some support in return.

**!! CHOOSE CHALFONT !!**

Your village of Chalfont St Peter needs you more than ever.

Your shops are struggling and many face imminent closure unless more people return to the high street. It really is crunch time.

Choose Chalfont this Christmas (and beyond!) to support your independent stores so they not only survive, they thrive.

Please watch and share this special video below. (Words: @theprettywittycompany)

Remember, behind every shop is a local family. They need your help. THANK YOU!

<https://youtu.be/DXRKAR7ZJ3Y?si=rOUUpOrmYRFxl15>

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## Our half term value:

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



**COMPASSION**

*'Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.'*

Colossians 3.12



**QUOTES & QUESTIONS**

No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted. (Aesop)

No one has ever become poor by giving. (From the Diary of Anne Frank)

Have you shown an act of kindness today?

Can you explain what Anne Frank means?

If you want others to be happy, practise compassion. If you want to be happy, practise compassion. (Dalai Lama)

Wherever there is a human being, there is an opportunity for kindness. (Seneca, a Roman philosopher)

How does practising compassion make you happy?

Do you think of everyone you meet as offering an opportunity to be kind?

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## 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.





Congratulations to Oscar in Year 6 who won two trophies at rugby last weekend.

The small one is for player of the week and the bigger one is for most improved player.





**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 and been a Values Champion** throughout the week. The chosen child receives a chocolate treat, a certificate from Mrs Alburg and a HUGE round of applause in Collective Worship.

Congratulations to the following children who received double chocolate chip cookies.

Year 3: Thea B, Sophie D, Sienna H

Year 4: Cole, Dexter, Honor

Year 5: Jola, Pearl, Demi

Year 6: Jeyda, Isla, Charlie F



## **Class Assemblies**

We are delighted to share plans welcoming you to join some of our CSPA assemblies and collective worship. Throughout the school year, every class and their teacher/s will be creating and presenting an assembly to the rest of their year group and you are invited to come into school and watch your child's class assembly. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to showcase their learning, build their confidence and experience performing and presenting in front of others. We are thrilled to be opening our doors and welcoming parents into school for another chance to be part of your child's CSPA journey, build positive relationships and engage with our whole school community.

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:

Friday 24th January 2025: Year 6 Class 11

Friday 31st January 2025: Year 5 Class 7

Friday 7th February 2025: Year 4 Class 4

Friday 7th March 2025: Year 3 Class 1

Friday 28th March 2025: Year 6 Class 12

Friday 2nd May 2025: Year 5 Class 9

Friday 23rd May 2025: Year 4 Class 6

Friday 20th June 2025: Year 3 Class 2

Friday 11th July 2025: Year 6 Class 10

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.

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## **Year 6 Production**

This year, Year 6 are performing "**Now That's What We Call Music**".

The production will be held in the hall at the following times:

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>7 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>7 pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>7 pm</b>

Due to the expected demand for seats, tickets will be restricted to **3 per family only**. You will be able to request additional tickets but these will be issued on a first come first served basis should we have some available.

In the interests of safety, children over the age of one year, accompanying parents, must have their own seat, however if possible could parents try and make alternative arrangements for young children.

**Ticket requests must be made via the Google form by Wednesday 27th November. Please refer to the email sent out to Year 6 parents on 20th November. If you do not return your request by this date, we will assume you are unable to attend any of the performances and any remaining tickets may then be offered to parents, as additional tickets, on a first come first served basis.**

There will be no charge for tickets, however we will welcome any kind donations to the school through a collection at the end of the performances.

In addition, Helen Rayner will be taking photographs of the children on stage in

their costumes on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December. The photographs will then be available with secure online access for you to order should you wish to. More information will follow.

Today the children have received letters about their costumes in order to give plenty of time to make arrangements - thank you in advance for your support.

Please note that children in Years 3, 4 and 5 will have the opportunity to see the production on one of the dress rehearsals.

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## **Year 4 Nativity - 'Straw and Order'**

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

A list has been emailed out today detailing what each role will need and which parts of the costume school can provide. 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 9th December.

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

Details will be emailed on Monday to Year 4 parents about how to get tickets for the performances being held in St Peter's Parish Church, Chalfont St Peter on:

Tuesday, 17th December at 10.30 am

and

Wednesday, 18th December at 1.45 pm

*Mrs Valentine*

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## **Year 5 Anglo-Saxon Day**

Recently, in Year 5 we had a day dedicated to learning about the Anglo-Saxons

and Vikings. First, we re-enacted the Stamford Bridge battle. We also got to hold some weapons. Next, we played Anglo-Saxon games. They were called Nine Men's Morris and Hnefatafl. After we had lunch, we dug through sand with special tools and found artefacts. We had to make predictions about what we had found. We learnt a lot about the Anglo-Saxons and had a really good time!

*Written by Will , Anabelle, Ralph, and Jeevan – Year 5*



## Year 4

Last week, Year 4 were very fortunate to hear all about Bodhi's Great Great Great Grandfather who was part of the crew on the Cutty Sark many years ago. Bodhi and his Mum showed us a very old telescope that he would have used. They also told us about a big chest they had from the Cutty Sark, which had a secret compartment that they hadn't yet managed to find.

*Mrs Ditty*



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## Year 5 Clay Gargoyles

As our Innovation and Invention topic came to a close, Year 5 created clay gargoyles. These were inspired by Gothic architecture and the Notre Dame Cathedral, both of which had been previously studied. The project also linked closely to our novel *Goth Girl*. The children found the gargoyles challenging to make, but they were proud of what they had achieved – they turned out wonderfully!

*Miss Badrick*

Please see some examples below:



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## **Pupils' Perspective - Edition 1**

The writers have been working hard on our school magazine, and edition 1 is ready and waiting for you. Head to Google Classroom, join the class called "Pupils' Perspective 2024/25" and enjoy finding out about a wide variety of topics. There's something for everyone... funny memes, teacher interviews, Pokemon recommendations, imaginative stories, and much more. Come and see for yourself!

*Mrs Nicholas & Mrs Ditty*

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## 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)

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## PTA News

Watch this space for PTA news as we approach our 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!!

## CSPA Christmas Candles

We are delighted to be working with The Chiltern Candle Co for the third year in a row and to be able to offer families the chance to purchase a hand poured, luxurious vegan natural wax scented candle (£12) that is inspired by Christmas! We are also offering the diffuser (£20) which lasts for ages and smells heavenly! Both items are Winter Spice which is a classic cinnamon, orange & clove fragrance. It's the perfect scent to get your home feeling festive.

These make perfect Christmas gifts and help to raise essential funds for the school. If you wish to buy a candle or diffuser, you will be able to find the item/s on ParentPay. The order deadline is Friday 22nd November and candles will be delivered to school w/c 9th December.

## **PTA Wreath Making**

Tickets are now available on ParentPay for the PTA's cosy Christmas Wreath making workshop.

When: Wednesday 27th November

Where: Lara's, CSP (formerly Yaprak)

Time: 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Price: £40

This will be a lovely start to the festive season where you'll make your own Christmas wreath under the guidance of trained florist Gemma Kelly.

We'll supply all the materials you need, a glass of fizz and the festive bar will be open - all you need to bring is a pair of secateurs and your Christmas spirit!

Book early to avoid disappointment as tickets are limited.

## **PTA 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 at lunchtime on:

**Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> December (Years 5 & 3)**

**and**

## **Wednesday 11th 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, 5<sup>th</sup> December**.

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, gift tags, scissors and Sellotape on the day. We would be grateful for any donations of wrapping paper, gift tags and Sellotape even if you are unable to help.

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.

## **PTA Quiz and Curry Night**

Save the date for our annual PTA Quiz and Curry night which will be held on Friday, 28th February 2025. More details will follow after Christmas about tickets. This event is for adults only.

## **Asda Cashpot for Schools**

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Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2<sup>nd</sup> September and 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our PTA. Also, every time

somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.



## *Christmas PTA Fundraiser!*

**Order an award winning turkey from Copas and raise funds for Chalfont St Peter CofE Academy**

Simply enter the code CSPA24PTA at checkout and Copas Turkeys will donate 5% of your order value to the school PTA.

**WWW.COPASFARMSHOP.CO.UK**

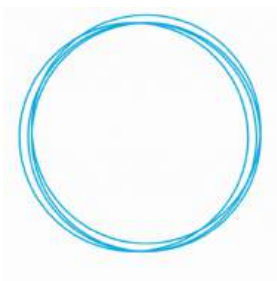
**CALL: 01628 499 980**

*Raise funds and enjoy an award winning turkey!*



## Upcoming dates:

DATE	EVENT	TIME	YEAR GROUP
Sun 1 Dec	Gymnastics competition at Beaconsfield High School	8.30 am	Selected gymnasts
Fri 6 Dec	CStP Village Fun Night Choir performing at 7.15pm	Evening	ALL Choir
Tues 10 Dec	PTA Christmas Sales	Lunch time	Years 5 & 3
Wed 11 Dec	PTA Christmas Sales	Lunch time	Year 4 & 6
Tues 10, Wed 11, Thurs 12 Dec	Year 6 Production	7pm	Year 6 & parents
Thurs 12 Dec	Maria Taylor Concert Choir performing	7pm	ALL Choir
Mon 9th - Fri 13th Dec	Year 3 CATs		Year 3
Tues 17 Dec	Year 4 Nativity	10.30 am	Year 4 & parents
Wed 18 Dec	Year 4 Nativity	1.45 pm	Year 4 & parents
Fri 20 Dec	School closes at the earlier time of 1.30 pm for Christmas holidays	1.30 pm	ALL



## **SAVE THE DATES:**

**Wednesday 27th November 7pm - 9pm (PTA wreath making event) - tickets now on sale on ParentPay.**

**Friday, 28th February 2025 - PTA Quiz and Curry Night**

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

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## **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.*

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# CHRISTMAS FAYRE



**01 DECEMBER  
1PM - 4PM**

CHALFONT ST PETER INFANT SCHOOL  
LOVEL END  
CHALFONT ST PETER  
BUCKS, SL9 9PB



**Raffle  
Games**

**Elf Workshop**

**Santa's Grotto &  
Winter Wonderland**

**Tinsel Town \* Tombolas**

**Soft Drinks \* Snacks \* Beer**

**Elf on the Shelf Trail \* Games**

**Christmas Market \* Bouncy Castle**

**Baileys Hot Chocolate \* Mulled Wine**

**Sausage Rolls \* Samosas \* Mince Pies**

**Professional Family Christmas Photos**

**Dance &**

**Song  
Shows**



# Christmas Family Fun!

From 24 November - 21 December

Join us for Magical Christmas Tales with Santa, A Christmas Carol,  
Creative Crafts, Cake decorating and Fun Science Adventures!

For more event details, charges and to book please  
scan the QR code or visit [discoverbucksmuseum.org](http://discoverbucksmuseum.org)



Father God

We praise you for all that you have **generously** given to us.

Thank you for families and friends,

Thank you for our bodies, our minds and all that makes us unique.

Inspire us to be **generous** in return  
Sharing what we have willingly and cheerfully,  
Amen

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

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



### Christmas Cake Decorating

**Sunday 24 November**

Learn how to create a snowman cake decoration to take home and decorate your Christmas Cake with.

12.30pm & 2.15pm (adults only)

£10 per participant



### Storytelling with Santa in the Roald Dahl Children's Gallery

**Saturday 30 November & Saturday 21 December**

Join us for a heart-warming experience that brings the joy of the festive season to life.

10am -12pm and 1.15pm - 3.15pm (3-10yrs)

Included in your standard Roald Dahl Children's Gallery admission



### The Science of Christmas

**Saturday 7 December**

Could Father Christmas catapult a present down a chimney? How can you grow a candy cane? Is it possible to make a snowman without snow? Discover the answers in our seasonal workshop.

10.15am, 12.00pm & 2.00pm (5-11yrs)

£5 per participant



### A Christmas Carol

**Sunday 8 & 15 December**

Ring in the Christmas season with this exquisite performance of the Dickens' festive classic, brought to life in vivid detail by Mat Jones.

7pm (11+yrs)

£21 per ticket



### Christmas Clay

**Saturday 14 December**

Make your own hanging clay and paper ornaments to take home!

10am - 2pm (3-11yrs)

£4 per participant

Make a day of it and visit the *Roald Dahl Children's Gallery* and the rest of the Museum whilst you're here.

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



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# Christmas AT WOODROW

REFRESHMENTS - GIFTS - TOMBOLA

CHRISTMAS CRAFTS  
SANTA'S GROTTTO





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