The Bishops' School News







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Dear Parents/Carers and Children,



Silent Night



This week, it has been the turn of Years 3 and 4 to celebrate the Christmas story through their beautiful production of Silent Night. Thank you all – we loved it!









Live Fully, Laugh Often, Learn Deeply, Love as God Loves You and Let Your Light Shine



















This is a **Pesada** – a travelling crib which came from church and will be moving to



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to bring
Christmas
blessing to
others.















Christmas Dinner!



We enjoyed Christmas Dinner on Wednesday, and lots of great Christmas clothing! **Great thanks** to the kitchen team who provided over 400 meals, to the Chairs of Governors and PTA for coming in to help, and the MDAs who worked extra time and did an amazing job of making the hall such a great place of celebration, food and fun.







YOUNG CARERS CHRISTMAS PARTY



We had a wonderful Christmas party for our young carers. We decorated cakes and gingerbread men. If you think that your child may be a young carer then please have a chat to their teacher.













Exciting News

Oscar and Shiloh are Ambassadors for our School, representing the School Council in a wider Schools Forum with the CTSA,

a local school

partnership (not academy!) - it's the Chelmsford Teaching Schools Alliance.



GREST reading

Well done to everyone who is reading regularly at home - we believe this is incredibly important. In FS and KS1 we have been counting how many times the children have been reading at home this term. Well done to the following children for reading the highest number of times in their class:



Hedgehogs Lexi C
Badgers Jasmine

1CS Luke

1YC Bertie

2T Ryan

2R Lowri





Getting crafty

Year 3M have created a whole class Christmas Card! We are trying to be more environmentally friendly this year, so this will be recycled after Christmas.

Class 2T have also been getting very creative with some amazing history research for their homework. Great work!





Well done!



Lost Property

Our lost property box became extremely full over the course of this term!

The vast majority of items found were unnamed, which makes it almost impossible for us to return them back to their owners.

We have three coats in the office that were found this week

during a big sort out. There are two navy blue coats with Nike and Zara branding, and one black Berghaus gilet. Please contact the school office if any of these belong to your child. If they haven't been claimed by the end of term then we will donate them to charity.

<u>PLEASE</u> make sure your child's belongings are named. It really makes a difference!

Thank you.

A VERY WELL DONE TO ...

Rebekah for passing her LAMDA solo introductory stage 2 with a distinction! Amazing!

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Coby for playing the Timpani drums in Caprice's Christmas concert at Chelmsford Cathedral last Saturday.

Fantastic!



Matthew for receiving his Bronze Chief Scout Award in Beavers.

This is the highest award a Beaver can earn! To earn it, Matthew completed all of the challenge awards, as well as four

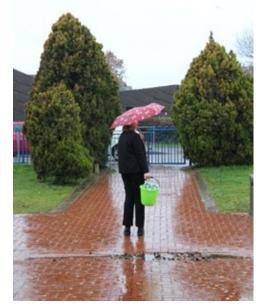


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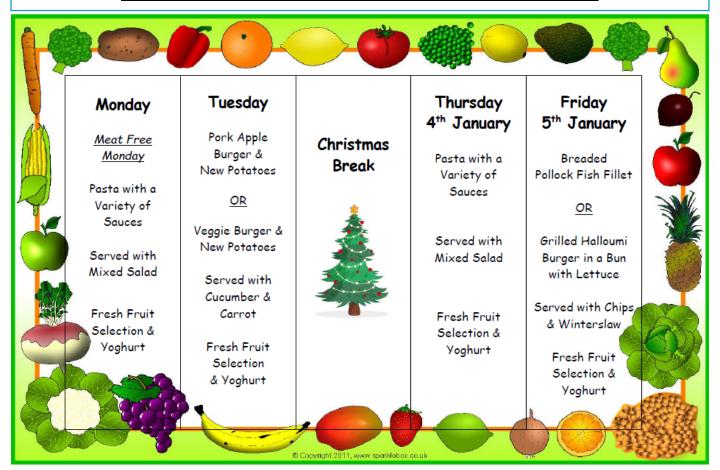
That's super stuff, well done!

Last, but certainly not least,

THANK YOU to the PTFA who
have helped us to welcome you all
to the Christmas shows and are now
collecting funds for exciting outside
gym equipment for all the children.



Lunch Menu for Week Beginning: Monday 18th December





The Bishops' PTFA

Thank you to everyone who has donated at the Christmas

Productions and Red, Green and Sparkly day this week. We will

give you a total of funds raised in the new year. All monies

raised are going towards an outdoor gym in the playground.



We look forward to seeing you all at the fayre this afternoon!



Many thanks, Becci and the PTFA team

Email: thebishopspta@gmail.com
Find us @BishopsPta, or The Bishops' School PTA
on Facebook

Reporting Absences/Lates ...

Illness: advise by email by 9am



Medical appointments:

provide a copy of the appointment notification at least 48hrs *in advance*

All other absences:

complete a leave of absence form at least 5 days *in advance*

<u>Changes to Collection</u> <u>Arrangements ...</u>



Advise <u>by email by</u> 12pm

After this, urgent messages only by phone by 2.30pm



Please help us by stating your child's class in any communications with us, thank you.

Please be kind out there on the roads when you are parking.

Patience is a great virtue!



Please look out for The Bishops' Gardening Appeal at local Tesco supermarkets in January. Mrs Stonestreet is leading this project which will help make the school a more beautiful place as well as teaching the children about the benefits of plants, orchards, herbs and flowers for the insects.

Looking Ahead

Monday 18th December—

Pantomime 'Jack & The Beanstalk' for the children in school



Tuesday 19th December—Last day of the autumn term, 3.15pm finish

Wednesday 20th December to Wednesday 3rd January—Christmas Holidays



Thursday 4th January—Back to school for the first day of the spring term



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