



# Cathedral Primary School Newsletter

No. 3 – November 2017



Dear Parents and Carers

November has been a very busy month at Cathedral Primary School. There has been lots of happy singing around the school as the children are busy preparing for Christmas celebrations. We look forward to seeing you at your child's performance.

This term the children have been working hard at developing their collaborative skills. Working collaboratively is the theme throughout this year. It is wonderful to see how from the Early Years through to Year 4 children are developing their skills. They are able to actively listen, take turns, make decisions and develop their ideas with so much confidence. I was particularly impressed with how Year 2 were able to do this when they were formulating questions they would ask the Wright Brothers.

The children produced some creative work about Anti-Bullying Week. From posters to cartoon scripts. Children confidently discussed this theme and were able to respond to scenarios that were given to them. Miss Bailey led two assemblies and has created a page on our website to share some of children's work and there is a link to the assembly power points.

The playground plans are still developing and the children have been sharing their ideas about the types of things they would like to see in the play space. The 'Design for Real' day led by the Touchwood team was a huge success. The children worked creatively with a range of materials and built structures. Their ideas will be used to formulate some plans for our playground. Thank you to the PTA who are supporting this project.

As we come closer to Christmas the children will be thinking about acts of kindness. Each day the children will pick an act of kindness that they will focus on. We picked the first one today and the children have been asked to check out for anyone who might be lonely and to think about how they might involve them in a game or playtime activity. Hopefully you will see these acts of kindness at home too.

A huge thank you once again for supporting BBC Children in Need. We raised over £270 and the children had fun packed

day. We are looking forward to our Christmas jumper day which will be coming up soon!

We were delighted with the Year 3 and Year 4 children who represented us at an Athletics Event. We came third out of 6 schools and the children had a fantastic time. We have now become part of the Ashton Park Sports Partnership. Mr Baynton is looking forward to taking the school to represent us in lots of other events.

We are very much looking forward to the last few weeks of term. There are lots of performances and special events for the children to enjoy. We look forward to seeing at some of these events.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Best Wishes

*Sara Yarnold and the CPS Team*

## PTA News

Welcome to the PTA segment of the Newsletter. A reminder that the Christmas Fair is taking place at the school from 3:45pm on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December and aims to bring things such as: a bar with beer and mulled cider, hot food, craft stalls, games and fun activities, face painting, temporary tattoos, nail varnishing, performance by the CPS choir, and raffle draw. Volunteers and donations are still needed, including for 30 minute slots helping on the stalls, please contact Troy and Kate to see how you can best support the event: [troydiablo@gmail.com](mailto:troydiablo@gmail.com). Those who have already pledged prizes and donations, we would be grateful if they could be taken to the school office and handed to reception as soon as possible. On the volunteer note we still need volunteers to provide refreshments at the School Plays/Carol Concert on 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> December, please contact Vanessa Searle or your Class Rep if you can help.

We would also like to congratulate the children on creating the lovely artwork for the Christmas cards and everyone involved in designing, producing, and buying the cards!

The Christmas Tree sale and collections will take place in College Square on Sat 9<sup>th</sup> December 9am-1pm, any queries to [cpsxmastrees@gmail.com](mailto:cpsxmastrees@gmail.com)

All the best,

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Reception Christmas Play 9.30am
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Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 1 Christmas Play 9.30am
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 4 trip to Bristol Old Vic AM –
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 2 & 3 Theatre trip to Colston Hall PM
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School Christmas Fair 4 – 6pm
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	PTA Christmas Tree Sale 9am
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	PTA Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Rec & Y1 Theatre trip to Colston Hall PM
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS2 Carol Concert 3.30-4.30, The Cresswell
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 2 Christmas Play 9.30am
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School Christmas Lunch and Wear a Festive Jumper to School Day! Usual full uniform must be worn but you may wear a festive jumper if you wish.
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	PTA Wreath making 6.45pm
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last day of Term
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan 18	Term Begins

### Class Cake Sale Rota

➤ Year 2 Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December

### SHINE

We are well into Term 2 at Shine After School Club at CPS and it is drawing to a close as Christmas draws nearer. We have been seeing such a huge success with our clubs! On a Monday we run a Football Club and the festive period see's lots of football so this will continue! On Monday we also have Design & Create. So far we've made dream catchers, masks & also some great painting too! Our last Monday club is now Cartoon Club held in the Folk Room, children relax & do some colouring in! Tuesday's are just as busy. We have a hugely popular Dance Club that always sells out, there is also a Pottery Club - where the



children get messy creating their works of art! Wednesday is Dodgeball Club which is a favourite not only for the kids but our coach, and the children get the chance to let off a bit of midweek steam! Sketch & Paint is also held on a Wednesday, where the children get the chance to get the paints out. On a Thursday we have our traditional Cookery Club. We have made pizzas, and cupcakes with chocolate & rice krispies, cornflakes & hoops! This is also a messy one (can you tell there is a theme here). For those who prefer something sporty there is also Tag Rugby on a Thursday. This club is becoming very popular too! Let's not forget that we also have Lego Club on a Tuesday, Wednesday &

Thursday just to give the children more variety! On Friday we round off the week with our Archery Club & Board Games Club! These Clubs do fill up fast, so to avoid your child missing out on a club of their choice get online now to avoid disappointment. And of course you can contact me via email or by phone.

shinesasc\_cathedral@hotmail.com or 07845 421021.

I'll leave you with a festive joke, "What type of snowman hides in a kitchen?", Answer, "A mince spy". Happy December everybody. Medical Jack (After School Club Manager)

### Cathedral Primary School App



Do you know that Cathedral Primary School has an App? On the App you can find, Newsletters, News, the Calendar, Gallery, Contacts and Links. To download the free App, go to your App Store and enter our school post code – BS1 5TS

### Paperless Newsletter

From January 2018 the Newsletter will be paperless! You will still be able to access the Newsletter via the Website and our App. If you require a paper copy please come to the office where they will print a copy out for you.

### Music

- \* Junior Choir – Mondays, 3.30 - 4.15pm
- \* Infant Choir – Tuesdays, 12.00 – 12.30pm
- \* Chamber Choir – Tuesdays, 3.30 - 4.15pm
- \* Orchestra – Thursdays, 3.30 – 4.15pm

### PTA Christmas Tree Sale

If you haven't placed your order for your Christmas Tree, don't worry, there will be plenty for sale on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December in the Tump. Please come along between 9am and 1pm.



### Feeling Festive



The festive season has arrived at Cathedral Primary School! Shaun the Sheep has also joined in while the rest of the school has been decorated with fabulous decorations made by the children.