



THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL
OF ST. SAVIOUR AND ST. MARY OVERIE

Notices

We hope you had a good weekend. The children have been working very hard this half term. Please look at your child's class blog for more information on their learning. New displays in classrooms are looking bright and cheerful. The display featured below can be found in the main corridor. It demonstrates the work children are doing in their sketchbooks, the finished products are often on display in class.

Harvest

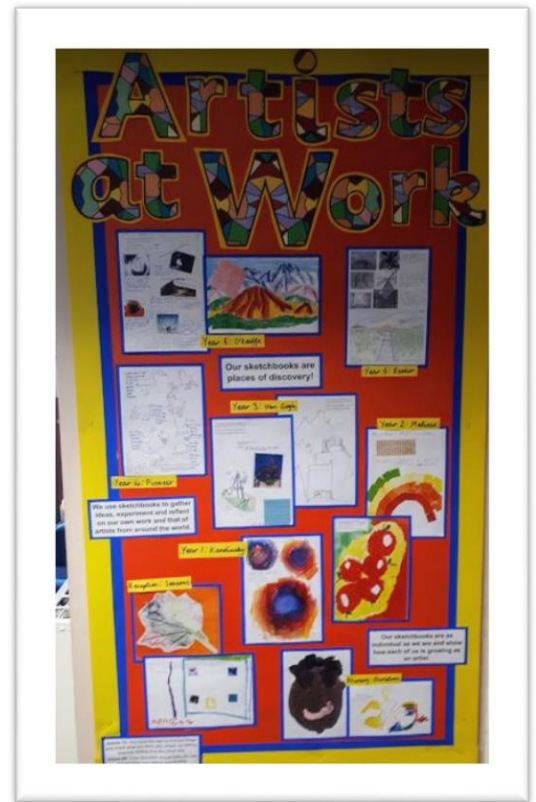
Many thanks for the kind donations of food and toiletries. Waterloo Foodbank will be collecting the donations over half term. If you would still like to contribute they have specifically asked for:

- Tinned meat
- Tinned fish
- Tinned vegetables and pulses
- Biscuits
- Jam/other non-perishable spreads
- Long life fruit juice/squash

If you can donate any of these items, please give them to your child to bring into school this week in order for them to be collected by the foodbank.

If you would prefer to make a financial donation please visit the Waterloo Foodbank JustGiving page:

<https://justgiving.com/campaign/foodbankharvest>



Government Guidance

If the Government tell schools to go into lockdown due to coronavirus control measures, parents will be informed as soon as we find out. Teachers will resume the use of the home learning websites. They will use these to set work for their class in much the same way as they did while all schools were closed in March. However there will be the addition of zoom lessons with a focus on developing writing. These will not be for a whole class at the same time, instead they will take place in small groups to enable teachers to interact with their group and give specific feedback to each child during the lesson. These will take place at least once per week. **This is just in case we are told to close. We have not received any guidance regarding impending school closures.**

If you know that your family would have difficulties accessing on line learning due to lack of devices at home or WIFI difficulties please contact the school office so that we can make sure we are able to support you should it be necessary for the children to be learning from home. For the zoom lessons children will need to have sole access to a device for the duration of the lesson (at least 45 minutes).



Calls to Parents

While we would rather meet in person, they are still an important chance to discuss how your child has settled into the year and the progress they have made so far.

- We will send a selection of your child's exercise books home on Thursday 22nd October in your child's bag.
- Please have a look at them that evening and bring them back into school on the very next day (Friday 23rd October).
- As normal, you will receive a summary sheet for your child with grades for behaviour, perseverance, etc. This will be sent out on or before Wednesday 21st October.
- The calls you receive may be from the school number, a different 0207 number or a withheld number.
- The call must commence within 3 or 4 minutes into the booked time, otherwise we will have to rearrange another time.
- We will have to end the call one minute before the slot ends, to ensure we can keep to schedule as much as possible. Please be understanding of this.

New Parents

If your child was born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017, your child is due to start primary school in September 2021. For more information on applying for a place in Reception please visit the [Admissions page](#) of the school website.

As the school is not open to members of the public, staff and pupils made a video to give new parents a flavour of Cathedral School. This can be viewed on the Admissions page.

Parking on Redcross Way

If you need to drive your child to and from school please make sure you park with the safety of others in mind. Concern has been raised because cars have been parked in a way that blocks the road; this has led to vehicles having to mount the pavement in order to get past. Redcross Way can get very congested at the beginning and end of the school day; if it is possible for you to walk your child to and from school please do so.

Retirements

Rita Cunliffe and Margaret Connolly have decided to retire from their roles as teaching assistants, in order to spend more time with their families. Rita and Margaret have been at the school for 30 and 23 years respectively and have both made a significant contribution to the life of the school.

The children will continue to see Rita in school as she will be continuing in her role as a lunchtime supervisor, while Margaret has decided to retire from both roles.

We wish them all the very best for their retirements.

Handwriting Week

Last week we had a focus on handwriting across the school. All the children tried hard to show off their neatest handwriting. It was very difficult to choose which pieces of work were displayed on the [English Blog](#).

Coats

Please make sure your child comes to school with a coat everyday. Pupils go out to play at morning break and lunchtime each day, weather permitting.



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Southwark Cathedral

We are truly blessed at the Cathedral with a thriving group of young people coming to Junior Xpress (Junior Church) on Sunday mornings at 11am, supported by an amazingly talented group of leaders.

We have reluctantly decided that due to the Covid-19 guidelines and restrictions we will not be resuming JX Sunday sessions for the foreseeable future, neither is it possible for the crèche to operate. We are sorry for this disappointing situation and hope that you will understand. We are looking at how our young people might celebrate Christmas and will let you know our plans in due course.

Southwark Cathedral is a wonderful and inclusive community of all ages and we warmly encourage all our families to come to the 11am Sunday Eucharist and to feel at home in our worship together. We look forward to welcoming you back soon!

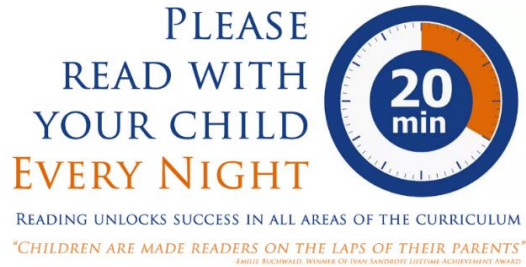
Father Michael

Individual and Sibling Photographs

These will take place on 11th November. Details on how to purchase photos will be sent out on the day of the photographs.

Term Dates

Term Dates for 2020-21 can be found on the [school website](#). We are looking forward to welcoming children back to school on Monday 2nd November. We finish for Christmas on Friday 18th December .



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