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CASSIOBURY JUNIOR SCHOOL FESTIVE NEWSLETTER No 15

Friday 20th December 2024

Dear Families,

Messages from Miss Sherry

Pantomime

It seems that all of the staff are agreed that they prefer the Watersmeet pantomime. We had two fantastic trips to the pantomime last week and this week. I always love it when we get compliments when we are out and about but it was really lovely to have a teacher from another school praise the children for their excellent behaviour. The staff at the theatre were impressed at how the children kept it tidy as they left. Huge thanks to Mrs Clarke for organising the trips.

Christmas

Whatever your faith and festival, I do wish you all a fantastic Christmas Holiday. I wish you some great family time and thank you for your many kind messages and generous gifts to the staff.

Badger updates

As part of the 'year of repairs' following the eviction of the badgers, the next phase of improvements starts in the holidays. We are due to have some painting and decorating in the new building before we get new carpets. Mrs Campbell, our School Business Manager, has been working to get much of this paid for through insurance to save on our costs.

Return to school in 2025!

Just a reminder that we return to school on Tuesday 7th January 2025 (Monday 6th January 2025 is an Inset Day).

House Points for the Autumn Term 2024 so far.....

Union (Green) = 1,239

Chess (Blue) = 1,156

Gade (Yellow) = 1,044

Colne (Red) = 1,039

School Dinner Menu and Payments

The Spring Term 2025 menu is now available on the School Gateway to book your child's school dinners for the first half term. All meals that are booked should be paid for at the time of booking and your child's school dinner account should not be in deficit. Thank you!

String Club – Spring Term 2025

If your child is learning a stringed instrument (violin, viola or cello) and would like to join String Club please email Mrs Harrison in the School Office. The club is on a Wednesday lunchtime from 12.30pm to 1pm in the Music Cabin and start on Wednesday 8th January 2025. If your child is currently in String Club, please see the letter sent out this week with more details. We are looking forward to hearing them perform in our Spring Concert!

Year 4 & Year 5 Recorder Club – Spring Term 2025

Please see the separate correspondence sent out this week regarding the Year 4 and Year 5 Recorder Club starting again in the Spring Term 2025. If your child would like to join the Recorder Club, please do so from approximately 4pm on Tuesday 7th January 2025. We are looking forward to hearing them perform in our Spring Concert!

LEGO Club – donations required

We are hoping to start a Lego Club next year and would be most grateful for any donations of lego that you may have sitting in your loft and you no longer use. Please bring to the School Office by Friday 10th January 2025 – many thanks and watch this space for more details regarding the club.

Lady Capel Fund – thank you!

At Cassiobury Junior School we have the **Lady Capel Fund** for the purpose of raising extra income to enhance your children's educational experience whilst attending the school. Thank you to our parents who have contributed so far and we will update you in the New Year regarding how the money will be spent. If you would like to contribute, the payment request is on the School Gateway. Thank you for your continued support.

COMPETITION – Chess Challengers Club!

Please see below the competition which is being organised by the Chess Challengers Club – please contact the club for more details.

Chess Challengers Club – Spring Term 2025

Please see the flyer below for the Chess Challengers Club which starts again in January 2025. Please book directly with the club.

Creative Minds Art Club – Spring Term 2025

Please see the flyer below for the Creative Minds Art Club which starts again in January 2025. Please book directly with the club.

GymJams Gymnastics – Spring Term 2025

Please see the flyer below regarding the GymJams Gymnastics Club which runs on a Monday morning in the school hall. To book your child for the new term, please contact Bev directly.

Mock Transfer Tests – Spring Term 2025

Please see the flyer below regarding the Mock Transfer Tests Club starting again in the Spring Term. To book your child for the new term, please contact the club directly.

Special Mentions

3 Alder - **Joann M P** - for fantastic engagement in our reading lessons and using her inference skills and **Merak J** - for showing resilience and having a positive attitude towards his learning.

3 Apple - **Rufus J** - for listening and participating well at the pantomime. It was lovely to see you thoroughly enjoy the show - well done! **Sahara R** - for being a kind friend to others and for working well with her partners in class - keep it up!

3 Ash - **Zackariah E B** - for the amazing progress he has made in English and for writing a fantastic non-chronological report - keep up the hard work Zackariah!

4 Hawthorn - **Maya M** - for listening to feedback and starting to make improvements in her writing and **Sebastian A** - for engaging and participating in Geography.

4 Hazel - **Naksh C** - for some excellent writing using fronted adverbials and **Raffy P** - for kindness and consideration towards others.

4 Holly - **Chiara P** - for participating and showing great effort in our English lessons this week and **Kairaa D** - for continuing to complete work to a high standard, both in content and presentation.

ALL of Year 5 - A huge well done to **all of Year 5** for working really hard to create an amazing Carol Concert last week. You were all brilliant!

6 Beech – **Erin N** and **Alba C** - for consistently showing a great attitude towards work and other pupils.

6 Maple – **Sam H** - for producing an interesting non-fiction report about an imaginary planet and **Daya A** - has participated well and worked hard despite an injury to his wrist - a great example of resilience.

6 Oak – **Francesca N** and **Stephanie H** - for a great deal of enthusiasm for our famous speeches and improved delivery when performing.

Thank you to..

Halima A & Freddy McG & Rayaan K – **6 Beech** – for being excellent Office Monitors this week and for sorting out our lost property boxes – thank you!

Well done to..

Chloe G – **4 Hazel** – Chloe was accepted into QPR's under 10 girls academy. Chloe will be playing in the JPL mixed league mainly playing against year 5 boys. Chloe is also part of Watford FC women's U10 player development pathway.

Ethan P – **6 Beech** - Ethan was asked to try out for Watford's Under 12's Waterpolo Club. In the summer he attended a camp and is now an official member of their team and Sunday just gone he played his first proper league match in Lewisham (scoring 5 goals in 4 of their matches) – Well done!

Ayla Y – **4 Hazel** - has completed her Ballet preliminary award – Commended, Modern juvenile award - Honours and Tap primary grade – Distinction – Well done!



Saskia B – **3 Ash** - has achieved Level 4 award on Vault and in music she has achieved a medal for her first singing performance in front of a large audience – Well done!

Esha A – **4 Hawthorn** - has achieved her Grade 3 with Distinction in LAMDA Public Speaking – Well done!

Have a lovely festive break and see you on Tuesday 7th January 2025!

Miss Sherry and the School Office Team

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JANUARY 2025	
6 th	Inset Day
7 th	Spring Term 2025 starts
7 th	Year 2 Open Morning talk – 9am – School Hall – appointments pre-booked with the School Office
10 th	Parent Rep Meeting – 9am – Miss Sherry's office
10 th	Year 5 swimming resumes to Friday 28 th March 2025
14 th	Year 2 Open Morning talk – 9am – School Hall – appointments pre-booked with the School Office
15 th	Year 5 – Rickmansworth School visit
22 nd	Year 6 (6 Beech and half of 6 Maple) trip to Bentley Priory Museum – see separate correspondence
23 rd	Year 6 (6 Oak and half of 6 Maple) trip to Bentley Priory Museum – see separate correspondence
FEBRUARY 2025	
6 th	Curriculum Parent Open Morning – more details to follow
7 th	Parent Rep Meeting – 9am – Miss Sherry's office
10 th	Year 6 – Young Voices Concert – PM and Evening
10 th – 14 th	Art Week – more details to follow
14 th	CSA Cake Sale after school
17 th – 21 st	Half Term
MARCH 2025	
5 th – 7 th	Art Exhibition – more details to follow
7 th	Parent Rep Meeting – 9am – Miss Sherry's office
13 th	Open Morning – more details to follow
APRIL 2025	
2 nd	Spring Term 2025 Concert – School Hall – 6pm
4 th	Parent Rep Meeting – 9am – Miss Sherry's office
4 th	Mini Marathon Fun Run – more details to follow
4 th	Spring Term 2025 ends at 1.30pm – NON UNIFORM
Tues 22nd	Summer Term 2025 starts
MAY 2025	
2 nd	Parent Rep Meeting – 9am – Miss Sherry's office
16 th	CSA Cake Sale after school
16 th to 21 st	Book Fair in Year 3/4 library – more details to follow
22 nd	Open Morning – more details to follow
26 th – 30 th	Half Term
JUNE 2025	
6 th	Parent Rep Meeting – 9am – Miss Sherry's office
9 th – 13 th	Year 6 Residential Trip – see separate correspondence
20 th	Sports Day
26 th	Open Morning – more details to follow
27 th	CSA Cake Sale after school
30 th	Parent/Teacher Consultations – 3.30pm to 7pm
JULY 2025	
1 st	Parent/Teacher Consultations – 3.30pm to 7pm
4 th	Parent Rep Meeting – 9am – Miss Sherry's office
4 th	Reserved Sports Day
10 th	Transition Day
18 th	Summer Term 2025 ends at 1.30pm
21 st	Inset Day
22 nd	Inset Day
23 rd	Inset Day

Chess Challengers

is organising



Stars Barred CHESS Tournaments

only for those who never played any rated tournaments

On Thursday, 9th Jan 2025

Minor Tournaments: U9

Major Tournaments: U12

Venue: Cassiobury Junior School, Bellmount Wood Ave, Watford

Time : 3:30 to 5:30pm

Contact: chess.challengers@outlook.com



Chess Challengers
Igniting Minds...

Chess Challengers Club

UK's No.1 leading chess club



Cassiobury Junior School

Bellmount Wood Ave, Watford WD17 3PD

Starts on Thursday 9th Jan 2025

Time: 3:30pm

Age : 6 yrs and above

Chess Lessons & Tournaments

Register: chess.challengers@outlook.com

Our students participate in UK's prestigious tournaments
London Junior Chess Championship,
British Chess Championship



Cassiobury Junior School

Gym Jams Gymnastics

Spring term course 2025

Monday morning club

@8:00-8:40am

13th January - 24th March

No Session on 17th February

10 week course

COURSE PRICE £85.00

Open to KS2 only

All abilities welcome

Limited space available

A fun club learning key gymnastics skills, achieving awards & taking part in displays.

**Contact Coach Bev on
0775 334 8536 to book**



After School
Art Club for all
KS2 students in
Yr 3 to Yr 6

£12 per class (Pay in
advance for the term)
All material will be
provided

A collection of colorful art supplies including pencils, pens, markers, paintbrushes, and an artist's palette, arranged in a semi-circle above the club's name.

**CREATIVE MINDS
ART CLUB**

Every Monday 3:30pm to
4:30pm at Cassiobury JM
School
13th January to 31st March
excluding half term

You will:
- learn painting and
drawing techniques
- use a variety of
medium
- create your own
fantastic artwork

To book please contact Namita Jain via
email at njain212@gmail.com or via
phone at 07976967824

Facebook-

Instagram-

Hurry up, spaces are limited!

A decorative border at the bottom of the poster featuring several colorful hands (yellow, green, pink, blue) reaching upwards.

Mock Transfer Tests 11+

When a helping hand is all you need



11+ After School Club

Enrol Now For January Classes

Yr 4 class & Yr 5 class

Monday 3.15pm – 4.30pm

- Considering tutoring for the 11+?
- MTT runs an After School Class for Yr4 & Yr5
- Qualified teachers & experienced TA in each class.
- Structured proven programme for the SW Herts Tests
- Discounted rate for Cassiobury families

**If you want to enrol, use the following QR code below
and complete the enrolment form**

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