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CASSIOBURY JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER No 14

Friday 13th December 2024

Dear Families,

Message from Miss Sherry

Christmas comes early in primary schools and this week proved it! We have had nativities, a carol concert, pantomime visit, we have learned about some Christmas foods as well as our Christmas jumper and Christmas dinner day today. I am hoping that next week will be a calmer one for all.

Huge thanks to the staff for all of the effort that they put into the many different events!!!

THANK YOU!

We hope the children enjoyed their lovely Christmas dinner today and pulling crackers! We would like to thank the Yes Chef Catering team in our school kitchen for working so hard to make everyone a lovely meal. Thank you also to our staff who gave up their lunch time today to serve the children.

Christmas Hamper Winners!

The draw took place today and the following people won a Christmas Hamper:

Mrs Patterson

I Clary

Ryan Cheng

Prashna

D Picton

A Khan

L Winter

H Allen

V Holt

K Snell

T Bavanendiran

Gates

Thank you to the parents who have pointed out that the gates have been late to be unlocked. We have been dealing with some absence this week. Hopefully, we will be back up and running next week. Apologies!

School Dinner Menu and Payments

The Spring Term 2025 menu is now on the website. An email will be sent next week when you are able to book your child's school dinners on the School Gateway. Just a reminder that you must pay for your child's school meals at the time of booking. Thank you!



Well done to our Year 4 Christmas Choir

Our Year 4 Christmas Choir visited the local BUPA care home and also performed to their parents in the School Hall. The children said the following:

"Our favourite song was It's Nearly Christmas. We smiled all the time and our favourite part was singing to the people in the care home".

Well done for representing our school!

Christmas Postbox will close on Monday 16th December 2024

Just a reminder that our post box is available to the pupils until Monday 16th December 2024. Please ensure that the children have written the **child's name AND class** as it is difficult to deliver cards that have not been addressed correctly. Thank you!

This week's Eco-Council message

Zero Waste Christmas

Have you started thinking about Christmas? If you plan ahead you can reduce waste and make it a more sustainable holiday while still having fun. Here are some ideas:

- Advent Calendar - buy a reusable one
- Gifts - make your own, buy secondhand / vintage, give Experiences
- Cards - send E-Cards
- Wrapping - use brown kraft paper and twine, newspaper, pieces of fabric etc
- Christmas Crackers - go Plastic Free and make your own
- Christmas Tree - reuse an artificial one or rent a real one
- Decorations - use what you have, make paper chains from magazines & papers and decorate with twigs & greenery from outside
- Reduce Food Waste - plan ahead and use up leftovers



Year 6 Cooking this half term



Our Year 6 children have enjoyed their cooking lessons – here is a photo of 6 Maple with their Christmas Cake! Hope you enjoy eating it!

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.

Creative Minds Art Club – Spring Term 2025

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

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.

Watford and Three Rivers Quarterly School Newsletter

Please see the leaflet [attached](#).

Special Mentions

ALL Year 3 – for their excellent singing, acting and dance moves during their Year 3 Production of the Fleece Force – they should all feel very proud of themselves. Thank you for all your hard work.

4 Hawthorn – **Aziq L** - for participating well in lessons and sharing his ideas. Helping every afternoon with tidying up and sorting the classroom and **Mason P** - for participating in every lesson and also setting our class a maths word problem challenge which we all enjoyed.

4 Hazel – **Liyang R** - for wonderful, descriptive writing using all the language features taught in English and **Maya P** - for fantastic maths work.

4 Holly - **Chiara P** and **Carson M** - for writing some brilliant setting descriptions in English.

5 Pear – **Aryanna K** - for being kind and helpful around the classroom and **Eesa H** - for working hard to write a biography from his notes.

5 Poplar – **Taha A** and **Praanav P** - for working well together to perform their poem in the Christmas carol concert!

5 Pine – **Akira A**, **Annabella S** and **Esme O** - for working really hard with their biography writing this week. Keep it up!

6 Beech – **Ethan P** and **Ayaan H** - for fully getting into the panto spirit this week!

6 Maple – **Emelie S-F** and **Georgia S** - for working hard to decorate their Christmas cakes and showing resilience to wrap and curl their decorative ribbons.

6 Oak – **Samreen A** - excellent research on Paralympian David Weir and **Zak A-MB** - for focused attention on all work completing everything to a very good standard.

Thank you to..

Miles G & Aarohi J & Thomas H – **6 Beech** – for being excellent Office Monitors this week – thank you!

Well done to..



Alice C – 4 Hawthorn – achieved her Learn to Swim Stage 7 swimming award – Well done!



NAME Jakov.....'s journey

Jakov J - 3 Apple – achieved his Ski Learning journey.

He finished level 3 – Well done!

ALL of Year 5 – for performing in their Christmas Concert last night and also to the school today – you were all amazing – Well done!

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Sherry and the School Office Team

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DECEMBER 2024	
16 th	Christmas postbox closes
16 th	Life in Ancient Greece Day – School Hall - Year 5 – see separate correspondence
18 th	Year 3, 4 and 5 Pantomime @ Watersmeet Theatre – please see correspondence from 15 October 2024
20 th	Autumn Term 2024 ends at 1.30pm
JANUARY 2025	
6 th	Inset Day
7 th	Spring Term 2025 starts
10 th	Parent Rep Meeting – 9am – Miss Sherry's office
10 th	Year 5 swimming resumes to Friday 28 th March 2025
15 th	Year 5 – Rickmansworth School visit
22 nd & 23 rd	Year 6 trip to Bentley Priory Museum – see separate correspondence
FEBRUARY 2025	
6 th	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

Tues 22 nd	Summer Term 2025 starts
MAY 2025	
2 nd	Parent Rep Meeting – 9am – Miss Sherry's office
16 th	Peace Hospice Charity Walk – more details to follow
16 th	CSA Cake Sale after school
16 th	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 – more details to follow
20 th	Sports Day
27 th	CSA Cake Sale after school
26 th	Open Morning – more details to follow
JULY 2025	
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

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

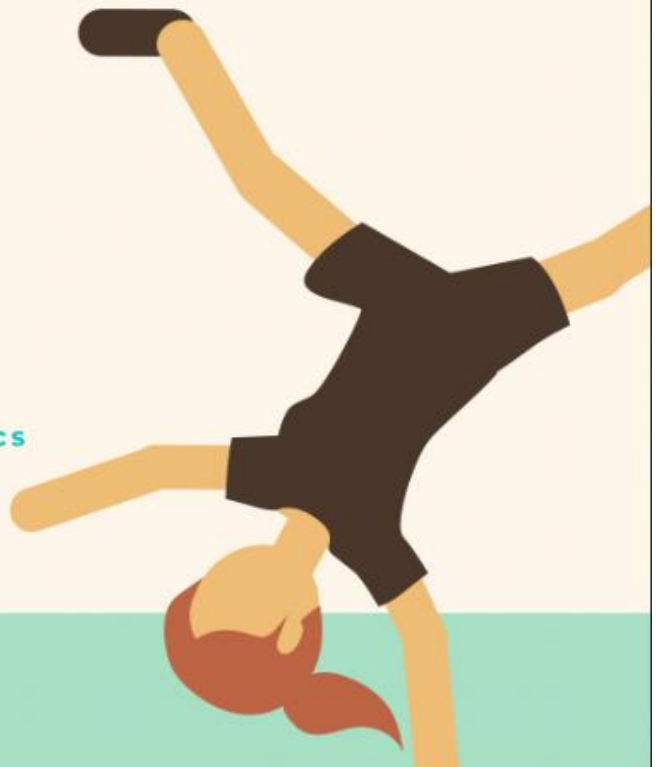
Open to KS2 only

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



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!





Winter-Fest

Seasonal Family Fun



Festive Farm & Park

- o Visit the Rabbits, Pigs, Donkeys, Geese, Alpacas, Cattle, Ducks, Chickens, Sheep & many more
- o Feed the farm animals
- o Play Hunt The Elves & WIN a treat
- o Meet Pooh Bear Santa
- o Jump around the Bouncy Castle
- o Take a spin on the Ride On Tractors



Santa's Magical Grotto

- o Enter the Grotto and learn how to prepare for Santa's arrival
- o Meet Santa to make your Christmas wishes
- o Move onto the Toy Room to choose a quality gift
- o Write your letter to Santa & receive a special video before Christmas Day
- o *Every weekend from 30th Nov-15th Dec & every day from 16th - 24th December*



Book Early At Last Year's Prices!

Also enjoy...

100 Aker Wood, Nature Trails

Rustic Rhubarb Café, Clock House Kiosk



30th November to 2nd January

Book Online www.aldenhamcountrypark.co.uk