

# NEWSLETTER



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24th November 2017



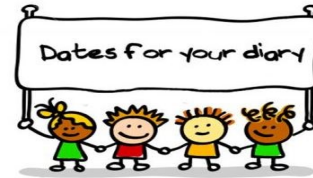
We are sad to inform you that Mrs Schroeder will be leaving The Cathedral School at the end of this term. Her husband has been head hunted by the University of Minnesota so the family are emigrating to St Paul, Minneapolis to begin an exciting adventure. Mrs Schroeder has been with us since 2001 and has been such a star. Most of her time has been working in class 1 with our youngest

children as they settle into school life. The impact she has had, especially in terms of the reputation we have in singing, has been outstanding. It is not just the choir or her amazing talents in leading our singing during masses and performances. Mrs Schroeder has installed a culture in the school where all children believe they can sing and that it is fun. Whilst we wish Mrs Schroeder and her wonderful family the very best in this exciting life change, we know that we are going to miss her so much. We will have the opportunity to show our appreciation at the end of term.



	Weekly attendance level
Class 1	86.24%
Class 2	95.91%
Class 3	89.39%
Class 4	93.06%
Class 5	96.49%

The seasonal cough, colds and sore throats are upon us. Please ensure your child has a coat everyday. We encourage as much outside activities as possible, even if it's damp and wet!



**23rd November Online safety workshops for parents The Cathedral School—2pm or Holy Cross—4pm.**

**1st December FoS Christmas Fayre, Mufti Day, seasonal colours, £1.**

**11th December Nativity performance, The Cathedral, 2pm.**

**12th December Donkey Sanctuary visiting the school.**

**Nativity performance, The Cathedral, 6pm.**

**14th December Christmas Lunch and Party Day, free Mufti Day.**

**15th December Lord Mayor's Christmas Carol Service, Guildhall.**

**18th December The Soapbox Children's Theatre showing of The Elves and the Shoemaker.**

**19th December LAST DAY OF TERM**

## LITURGY IN SCHOOL



Parents and parishioners are invited to join us for liturgy, 9am, Monday mornings.

God of love, you sent your Son Jesus into the world to show us how to live. Help us to be ready for when he comes again.

Amen

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Since the introduction of Free School Meals for all children in Year 2 and below we have experienced a fall in the number of families registering their entitlement to Free School Meals. The actual meals are not the only benefit for families who meet the Free School Meal criteria. Once a child is registered for Free School Meals they automatically become entitled to Pupil Premium Funding which lasts for at least six years. At the moment each child attracts an extra £1320 each year. One of the ways we use the Pupil Premium grant is to pay for school trips. We also pay for extra teaching hours which are directed particularly towards closing gaps in, or extending, the learning of children who are entitled to pupil premium funding. The amount of money the school will receive under the new national funding formula being proposed by the government is also likely to increase if we have more children registered as being entitled to free school meals.

If you meet ANY of the criteria below you can attract this extra funding for your child and the school.

- Income Support
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (most recent award notice – with no Working Tax Credit AND annual income not exceeding £16,190)
- Guarantee element of pension credit
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act



If you do receive any of the above support please ask the office for a Free School Meals form.



Can we please remind you that the children (except class 1) need their PE kits in school at all times.

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**  
**Christmas Fayre**  
Good quality toys, books, bric-a-brac and children's clothing needed.  
Mufti Day for children, seasonal colours please and £1 donation



**NEXT FOS MEETING:**  
**MONDAY 27TH NOVEMBER, 9AM**



**Monday—Netball and Choir**  
**Tuesday —Tag Rugby (£2 per term)**  
**Thursday—Football (£2 per term)**  
**Friday—Basketball**  
**Please sign up via the school office**

A variety of school items are available for purchase from the National Schoolwear Centre, 105 Mayflower Street, PL1 1SD

## Stars of the week

All of our children are amazing but these children have stood out from the crowd and been a little bit extra brilliant this week.

### *Class 1*

*Adam B C—Fantastic reading*

*Kayleigh—Excellent writing*

### *Class 2*

*Igor—For settling in well and making a good start*

*Daria—Excellent effort in all areas of learning*

### *Class 3*

*Lubos—Showing resilience in all areas of learning*

*Jan—Showing great independence in learning*

### *Class 4*

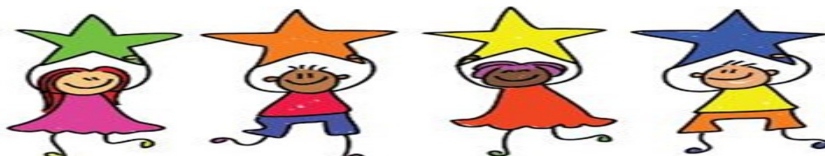
*Gee—Heart—Helping people feel welcome*

*Marcel—Independence—Enjoying his new class*

### *Class 5*

*Mussab—Fantastic effort in class*

*Sayalena—Excellent Maths*





# The Cathedral School of St Mary

## 2017-2018 School Calendar

September 2017						
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July 2018						
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August 2018						
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School Closed/ Holidays



Bank Holiday



Teacher in-Service Day  
(no school for pupils)



**HAMOAZE HOUSE  
SANTA'S GROTTO**

**STARTS DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>  
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND  
FRIDAY TILL THE 22<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER**

**SEE SANTA GET A PHOTO AND A  
PRESENT**

 **£5 PER CHILD, 3:30 TIL 8PM** 

**ENJOY THE WONDERFUL  
EXPERIENCE**

HAMOAZE HOUSE, MOUNT WISE, PLYMOUTH, PL1 4JQ  
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**Christmas  
IN PLYMOUTH**

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**17 NOVEMBER to 2 JANUARY  
Nutcracker Trail**

**City Centre**



**Save Santa's Sleigh**  
**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December - 16:30 – 18:30**  
**Devonport Park Activity Centre**

*Meet Anna & Elsa*

*Visit Santa and get a Present*

*Oh no, Santa is in trouble!*

*Santa's Sleigh has lost its runner, become 'Elf Detectives and save the day!*

*Find clues in the garden, meet Santa and help fix his Sleigh!*

*Christmas Arts & Crafts*

*£2 Per Child*

*Book a space at [bookwhen.com/routeways](http://bookwhen.com/routeways)*

*Minced Pies and Other Refreshments Available to Buy*

*Followed by a Candlelight Procession to join 'The Salvation Army Carols organised by the Friends of Devonport Park*

*See Frosty the Snowman and Visit his Magical Igloo*



