

Issue No 812, Friday 30th November 2018

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Saturday 1st December

Sunday 2nd

Monday 3rd

Tuesday 4th

Wednesday 5th

Thursday 6th

Friday 7th

Saturday 8th

LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD:

Monday 10th

Tuesday 11th

Wednesday 12th

Thursday 13th

Oakeley Day

U11 'In2Hockey' County Tournament, Bridge Street, Leominster

ABRSM Music Examinations

Pre-Prep (Y1&2) Dress Rehearsal & Photographs, St David's Hall

Staff Academic Focus Meeting

No sports clubs today

ABRSM Music Examinations

Choristers Sing Evensong at Guards' Chapel, London

Christmas Celebration Rehearsal, St David's Hall

Pre-Prep (Y1&2) Christmas Production, St David's Hall

Y3&4 House Hockey Matches, Leisure Centre

Y3&4 House Tag Rugby Matches, Wyeseide

Spring Term Calendar Planning Meeting, Briscoe Room

ABRSM Music Examinations

6H Class Assembly, St David's Hall

Pre-Prep (Y1&2) Christmas Production, St David's Hall

U11 A&B & U10 A&B Rugby v King's Hawford (h)

Colts A&B Hockey v The Elms & King's Hawford (a) (at The Elms)

Christmas Celebration Rehearsal, Cathedral

Christmas Celebration, Cathedral

Y5&6 House Hockey Matches, Leisure Centre

Y5&6 House Rugby Matches, Wyeseide

Old Herefordians' Day

(No clubs this week but Chamber Choir as normal)

Reception Tableau Performance to Parents, St David's Hall

(No clubs this week)

Pre-Prep Christmas Party, St David's Hall

Final Evensong of Term, Cathedral

(No clubs this week)

Y5 Full Reports & Y3 Short Reports published

Y4&6 Progress Grades published

Christmas Jumper Charity Day

Nursery Concert, **Nursery**

Carol Service Rehearsal, Cathedral

Christmas Lunch, Dining Hall

Junior Christmas Party

(No clubs today including no Phoenix Club)

Carol Service, Cathedral

Term Ends

11am

all day

11am

4.15pm

all day

all day

8.45-10.25am

2pm

2.15pm

2.15pm

5pm

all day

8.45am

2pm

2.30pm

2.15pm

1-3.30pm

7pm

2.15pm

2.15pm

all day

2.45pm

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5.30pm

all day

9.30am

9.30-11am

11.45am

2.45-5.15pm

2pm

3pm

FROM THE DEPUTY HEAD

There is inevitably much excitement and preparation for Christmas in schools up and down the country at this time of year, and it is no different in our own Junior School. Our Pre-Prep are busily preparing for their Y1&2 production, Reception for their Nativity Tableau, and Miss Toolan's Music lessons involving all year groups are a medley of Christmas songs and hymns, in preparation for our Christmas Celebration and Carol Service, not to mention the Y5&6 Choir's excellent performance at the Primary Schools' Carol Service in the Cathedral last night.

Amid all this excitement we are keen for the children to reflect on how they can make a difference to others during the festive period and we hope that you will be able to support our Nine Days of Giving initiative, further details below.

And finally, continuing the Christmas theme, I look forward to seeing you all at the PTA Christmas Bazaar this afternoon in the Dining Hall.



HEREFORDSHIRE JOINT SCHOOLS' CAROL SERVICE

There was great excitement in the Cathedral last night as twelve schools joined together for the Herefordshire Joint Schools' Carol Service, hosted by HCS. Opened in candlelight by the HCS Chamber Choir, the scene was set for an atmospheric evening to start the Christmas festivities. The Year 5&6 Choir then took the lead with a beautiful rendition of 'One Bright Star'.



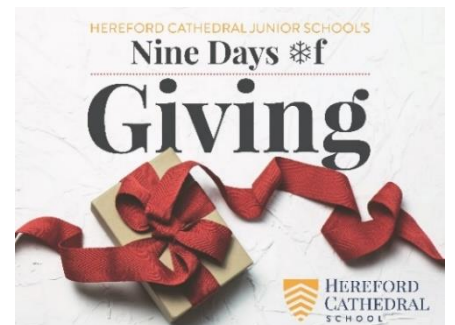
All of the choirs joined together for Rutter's famous 'Candlelight Carol' with the rousing 'Hallelujah Chorus' to begin the Christmas season in style. Eleanor W-C and Livvy M also both did readings and did a fantastic job.

HCJS NINE DAYS OF GIVING

As we look forward to the Christmas period, we are launching our HCJS Nine Days of Giving Initiative. Each morning, once the children have opened the windows in their advent calendars at home, they may like to bring in an item to donate to the day's nominated charity.

Parents were sent a list of the nine charities via email this week, along with details of items that the charities have requested, and links to their websites. The list can also be seen in the Head's blog post here:

<https://herefordcs.com/blog/article/bah-humbug-should-we-ban-christmas-hcjs>



We hope that you will be happy to support your children in this initiative and that it will prove a good opportunity for us all to consider this time of year as a time of giving, and prove to be good talking point amongst classes and families.



NURSERY

The children have been baking this week. They made and decorated some festive shaped gingerbread men.

YEAR 1 FESTIVE SCIENCE AND MATHS

Year 1 have had fun getting festive and developing their Maths and Science skills and understanding. They used shapes to make and measure Santa and they also made healthy Christmas snacks- mini Santas from fruit!



ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

Monday (Reception – Year 6): Mr Wright introduced the school to this year's Nine Days of Giving Initiative. Miss Jeynes spoke about one of this year's charities – The Dogs Trust.

Tuesday (Reception – Year 2): Mrs Windows led the assembly, based upon giving and helping. We heard a Christmas story about a robin who was kind to everyone and helped them, then we talked about the Nine Days of Giving Initiative and how we could help.

Wednesday (Years 3 – 6): 6G led the assembly, the topic being friendship. The assembly included group sketches, poems, a hymn and prayers.

Friday (Reception-Year 6): The Dean talked to us about St Andrew and the role that he played in bringing people to Jesus.

GAMES DEPARTMENT

This week, both the U9 rugby and hockey was cancelled due to heavy rain and wind. Credit must go to the boys who braved the elements at Wyeside on Tuesday where our games lesson was excellent. Well done to the girls who swept the board in their matches at Abberley Hall, and to the U10A boys who had a good win after a couple of recent heavy defeats.

This Sunday, our girls are playing in the County Hockey Tournament and we wish them well.

Next week we have House Matches for Years 3&4 on Tuesday and Years 5&6 on Friday. Please see Firefly for details.

Also to note a correction from a few weeks ago, where *Jack C* scored two tries in the U11C team game against RGS The Grange.

Rugby

HCJS U11A 25 – 40 Abberley Hall A (Jonathan 2, Rob, Marley, Monty)

HCJS U11B 55 – Abberley Hall U11B 30

HCJS U10A 40 - Abberley Hall U10A 20

Hockey

Abberley Hall A 0 – 5 HCJS A (Scarlett S x 3, Evie D, Scarlet M)

Abberley Hall B 0 – 2 HCJS B (Ella J, Esther)

Abberley Hall C 0 – 2 HCJS C (Heidi, Isabella M)

FROM THE PTA

- Thank you to everyone who attended the fireworks at Wyeside last week, and also to everyone who helped out. It was a really enjoyable evening with a great firework display, fantastic pork rolls and mulled cider and the children had great fun too!
- Please don't forget that after pick up today is the Christmas Bazaar in the School Dining Hall. There will be fun and games for the children with some yummy treats available too.
- The Christmas Fundraiser lottery tickets will also be available to buy at the Bazaar – a £10 ticket enters you into six monthly draws, with a chance to win a £100 Amazon voucher each time. Tickets can also be bought by dropping a note into the School Office with cash/cheque. Tickets will continue to be available until the first draw is made at the PTA Coffee Morning at the end of January.
- Finally, please don't forget to use The Giving Machine when online Christmas shopping this year – it is an easy way to raise funds for the PTA without costing you a thing! Details can be found here <https://www.herefordcs.com/sites/default/files/downloads/Parents/PTA/The-Giving-Machine-Guide.pdf>

AWARDED IN ASSEMBLIES

MERITS

H Lively, E-M Simcock, J Shone, I Allan, F Powell, M Walker & A Madge.

OTHER AWARDS


Florence Moseley - Florence won three 1sts and a trophy in the 30cm, 40cm and 50cm showjumping classes at Hillview Showjumping Competition.

Happy Birthday this week to...Ella Jennings & Francesca Ngouoto.

Junior Times Archive: www.herefordcs.com/Junior-Times

Games team sheets are available via Firefly:

<https://herefordcs.fireflycloud.net/login/login.aspx?prelogin=https%3a%2f%2fherefordcs.fireflycloud.net%2f>

Junior School photos along with news, events and achievements can be accessed via our Facebook page:  [Facebook.com/herefordcathedraljuniorschool/](https://www.facebook.com/herefordcathedraljuniorschool/)

Head of the Junior School's Blog: <https://www.herefordcs.com/blog/category/head-of-junior-school>

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