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DATE 6TH DECEMBER 2024 **VOLUME 13**

Dear Parents/Carers

WOW what a week is all I can say.

We had our 2 day SIAMS Inspection on Monday and Tuesday and whilst I am not allowed to share with you our judgement; all I can say is that it could not have gone any better and the Inspector was so impressed with what he saw on all the lines of inquiry. SIAMS is like Ofsted, but for Church Schools. So essentially, we have 2 professional external quality assurance processes, where most schools will have one.

We were beyond delighted with the feedback and it was a little hard to take in, because we do what we do because we absolutely believe in it. Therefore, for us it is the 'norm'. It was nice to have feedback that this is not the case everywhere and what we have in this school is very special and unique. SIAMS is just as rigorous and intense as Ofsted and they look at outcomes, curriculum provision, assessment, behaviour, attitudes, safeguarding, personal development etc. but they have a focus on Collective Worship, Spirituality, Leadership and Management and RE. They also consider a huge amount of evidence for example: speaking to students, speaking to staff, consulting the Diocese, the Trust and Governors, learning walks, work scrutiny, policies, procedures, surveys etc. I am really looking forward to sharing the judgement and final report with you in due course. Thank you for all your many messages of support and thanks to those parents/carers who spoke to the Inspector.

Our Advent Service took place this week which was great as we knew the Inspector wanted to see whole year group Collective Worship. The Worship Ambassadors and Ethos Champions did an amazing job. However, special thanks must go to Lily-May Kelly (Year 11) who is our Head of Ethos as she led and orchestrated these services. She did an amazing job and created a very precious experience for our school community. Will Kenwright (Year 11) Senior Head Student also supported and did a great job. These two young people are shining examples of young leaders and they are outstanding role models to their peers. I was incredibly proud of all the many young people involved and it really demonstrated the Boteler Family at its best.

We have also had "Christmas Comes to TCAT" this week at the Parr Hall. This is where all the 14 Academies in TCAT came together via a magical Christmas story and performed as one. The performances were superb and the whole event was a real celebration of the talent we have in TCAT. What was lovely to see was how everyone supported each other. We really are in a wonderful Trust and it is so lovely to work with so many different staff and young people. And to see them really thrive in this environment.

We still have a busy couple of weeks ahead. We have our Christmas Carol Service at St. Elphin's on the 17th December at 18.00. Everyone is welcome. It is just a really lovely evening and it is free. We also have the Senior Citizens Christmas Party on the 18th December where we have afternoon tea (served and made by our students), carols and our legendary Bingo, which can sometimes get a little bit out of hand, as it is a very serious business!

Thank you as always for your ongoing support as we could not do all this without you.

Have a lovely weekend and please stay safe.

Kind regards

Beverley Scott-Herron **Headteacher**



KS3 Working At (WA) Assessments

Students will be sitting their first Working At (WA) assessment of this year in all of their subjects during assessment fortnight (Monday 6 January – Friday 17 January 2025). This may take the form of a test or an assessed piece of writing/practical piece of work.

Students will be provided with revision lists giving details of the topics and content that will be tested. We are also encouraging students to take their workbooks home to revise. It is important that students look after their workbooks and check they have the correct books that are needed for the following day when packing their bags for school each evening. The expectation is that students spend time each evening preparing for the assessments. Constant revision and practice is the surest way to fully embed skills and knowledge required to secure excellent achievement at KS4.

All tests will be classroom based and undertaken under exam conditions. It is important that students are used to working in this environment so they are fully prepared for their examinations in Year 11. Students are expected to be fully prepared for all assessments with the correct equipment which includes:

- · Pen
- Pencil
- · Ruler
- · Eraser
- · Pencil sharpener
- · Pencil case
- Scientific calculator

Assessment Timetable

Please review the attached timetable. Dates and times of the Maths, English and Science tests have already been allocated. Teachers for the other subjects will inform their classes when their assessments are taking place. It is important that students write these on their assessment timetable. Students are responsible for carrying their timetable and updating it when class teachers give out information.

Combined Timetable KS3 Assessments January 2025

Room		R21	11	7	R13
Period 5		7E Yellow/ဋ္ဌာ	7M Yellow/Sc 7M Red/Sc	9M Green/Sc	7M Indigo/Ma
Room				R8 R1	
Period 4				7M Blue/Ma 7M Yellow/Ma	
Room			R22 L5 R3 L3	L4	R20 R13 R19 R30
Period 3			7M Indigo/Sc 7M Blue/Sc 7M Green/Ma 7M Orange/Sc	7M Green/Sc	7E Blue/En 8M Yellow/Ma 8E Indigo/En 8M Orange/Ma
Room		R22 R21	L3 L4 L2		R21 R20
Period 2		7E Indigo/ <u>En</u> 7E Green/ <u>En</u>	8M Green/Sc 8M Yellow/Sc 8M Indigo/Sc		9E Orange/ <u>En</u> 9E Yellow/ <u>En</u>
Room		R7 R13		R21 R23 R22	F4
Period 1		7M Red/Ma 7M Orange/Ma		8E Blue/En 8E Yellow/En 8E Orange/En	8M Red/Sc
Date	Mon 6 Jan	Tues 7 Jan	Weds 8 Jan	Thurs 9 Jan	Fri 10 Jan
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Combined Timetable KS3 Assessments January 2025

Room		L4	R19	R24			
Period 5		8M Orange/Sc	8E Green/ <u>En</u>	9E Indigo/ <u>En</u>			
Room		7					
Period 4		8M Blue/Sc					
Room	R2 R3 R3		R22 R24		R2		
Period 3	8M Red/Ma 9M Indigo/Ma 9M Green/Ma 9M Blue/Ma		7E Red/ <u>En</u> 7E Orange/ <u>En</u>		9М Red/Ма		
Room		R21	L3 L4		R7		
Period 2		8E Red/ <u>En</u>	9M Indigo/Sc 9M Yellow/Sc		8M Indigo/Ma		
Room	R3 R1	14 11 15	R24	R1 R3 R24 R8			
Period 1	8M Blue/Ma 8M Green/Ma	9M Orange/Sc 9M Red/Sc 9M Blue/Sc	9E Red/ <u>En</u>	9M Orange/Ma 9M Yellow/Ma 9E Blue/ <u>En</u> 9E Green/ <u>En</u>			
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Whole School Attendance

Huge congratulations to 273 of our students who are currently on 100% attendance since the beginning of September. This is a huge achievement and we thank you for your continued support.



Christmas Rewards

Please click on the following link to view the letter that was sent out to all parents and carers regarding a Cinema trip on Thursday 19th December.

https://tinyurl.com/2zydet7m

Students will not be excluded from the rewards trip if there is a genuine reason for absences. Please contact us directly if you are worried. Social media is not the best way of addressing these issues as we always work with our families on an individual basis.

The trip is heavily subsidised and we cover all the transport costs. We would love it to be free for everyone but unfortunately, we cannot afford that, but we are doing our best to try and help. We just want to put nice events on for our young people.

There will also be Christmas festivities for those choosing to stay in school and will be a non-uniform day for all students. A reminder that cycling shorts or crop tops cannot be worn on non-uniform days.



All students and staff are invited to our Christmas fayre, please see the flyer below.

Next week we will be selling raffle tickets for 50p to win the various raffle hampers including:

- Enormous Teddy raffle
- Cat goody hamper
- Dog goody hamper
- Family hamper
- Staff hamper
- Chocolate hamper
- Teenage hamper
- Pamper hamper
- Thomas The Tank engine /track raffle

Please send your child in with money if you wish them to buy a raffle ticket. Students can buy tickets from Tuesday for 50p at lunchtime in the canteen.

The raffle draw will take place on the Christmas fayre night.

House Collective Worship

House Collective Worship will take place next week. This is a chance for students to be together across all age groups to celebrate achievement, their pop up challenges and their contribution to the House System.



Donations of toys, raffle prizes, teddies please for our stalls. Please drop off at the school office.

PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT

Our second Parent Forum, held on Thursday 28th November was another success. Focused on Arbor and Homework Support and the transition to using SAM Learning, the session provided parents with insights into effectively engaging with their child's homework and making the most of these programmes.

The evening featured visual walk-through demonstrations of Arbor, our school to parent communication app and SAM Learning, helping parents navigate homework assignments, track progress and encourage positive study habits at home.

We would like to thank all who attended. For further details, the slides from the presentation will be available on the school website next week for easy reference. Our next Parent Forum event is scheduled for the 6th February on Understanding the Curriculum.

Thank you for your continued engagement in supporting your child's learning journey. We look forward to seeing you at future events.



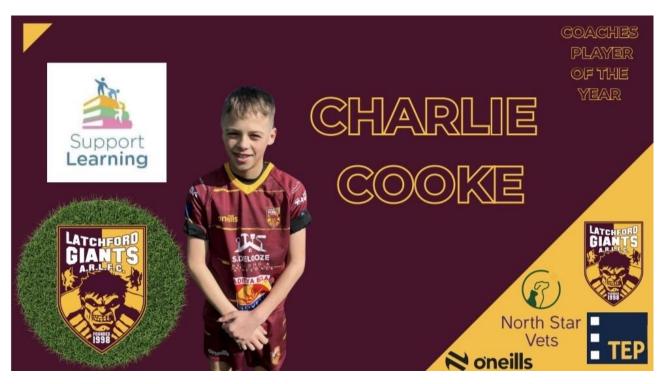


Inhalers

Please can you ensure that your child has their inhaler with them if they suffer from asthma. With the drop in temperature we are seeing an increased number of students needing to use their inhalers and this is a significant concern if they don't have them with them in school.

Sports Award

Mr Robinson and 9AR would like to congratulate Charlie on winning this very prestigious award. 9AR are known throughout the school for having a talent when it comes to sport. We are very proud to have Charlie in our form and wish him all the best in his rugby career.





Food Technology

Catch of the Day!

Mrs Callaway has managed to 'catch' an interesting ingredient! We're one of 200 schools lucky enough to be receiving some of the 2,000KG of rope-grown mussels being donated by @OffshoreShell, packed by @RTShellfish & delivered by @dfdsgroup — thank you, what a partnership! All made possible by #FishHeroes - @FoodTCentre @FishmongersCo Keep an eye out for when they arrive and what we make!



Art

Calling all creatives! This month's Art competition has been released. The theme is JOY.

Express your own personal joy through any appropriate medium. I know I have jewellery makers, crochet artists, illustrators, animators and much much more. This is your time to shine! Let's celebrate your passion and talent.

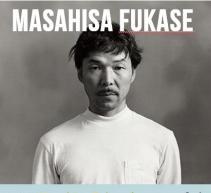
Entries will be exhibited in a pop-up gallery. Let's flood the school with art that celebrates the joyous parts of our lives.

Competition is open to all. Contact details are below.

I will leave this in your very capable and talented hands, and as always, I can not wait to see what you create!

Mrs Morris Head of Art



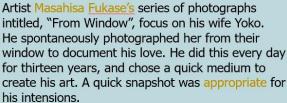


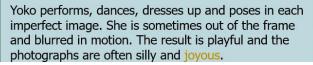


















ART COMPETITION:

Create a **personal response**, inspired by the work of **Masahisa <u>Fukase</u>**.

1. Personal: belonging to or affecting a particular person, rather than anyone else.				
Prefix	Root	Suffix		
-	person	al		
-	individual	relating to		

2. Response: an answer, a reply.					
Prefix	Root	Suffix			
Re	respond	se			
"back" or "backward" to indicate backward motion, come back to me.	reply	to make			

Create art that captures your own personal joy. Let's fill the gallery with what brings us JOY!

Medium: Use any medium. It could be painted, drawn, painted, made, digital or photographed. A one off piece, or a series, you decide.

Specifications: Competition is open to everyone. Any size.

Closing date: Sunday, 15th December, 2024.

Email: digital entries to gcallis@boteler.org.uk.

Art entries to Mrs Morris R25 (please include your name and year group on all entries).









my job to model appropriate personal







THERE'S JOY IN FAILURE (FAILED FOSTER ATTEMPT, DOG ADOPTED 2022)......



THERE'S JOY IN RESPONSIBILITY (GIRLS ADOPTED, 2024)



THERE'S JOY IN WEEKENDS MAKING MESSY ART







THERE'S JOY IN PATIENCE



Exam Certificates

CALLING OUR CLASS OF 2024

PLEASE COLLECT YOUR EXAM CERTIFICATES
FROM SCHOOL.
WE ARE OPEN MONDAY TO FRIDAY
BETWEEN 8AM AND 4PM

YOU WILL NEED THESE IMPORTANT CERTIFICATES
FOR COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, APPRENTICESHIPS
AND FUTURE EMPLOYMENT.



Are your children on benefit related free school meals?

Scan me-



If yes, they can attend fully funded holiday activities at Easter, Summer and Christmas. Register your interest now at warrington.gov.uk/haf or email haf@warrington.gov.uk to find out more.

Not eligible?

Many clubs offer paid places at a reduced rate.



Christmas Events

Here's some information about the many Christmas fayres, carol services, family events, socials, and more that are happening in the churches around Latchford. Please feel free to come along, all are welcome!



New Song Network Warrington

Loving God, Loving People, Making Followers of Jesus
with Latchford Methodist Church



Christmas 2024

23rd Nov: Christmas Brunch I I am - 2pm Join us for coffee, mince pies, and bacon sandwiches with a kids' craft stall, and many other stalls.

24th Nov: Advent New Song Café 7-9pm Join us for an evening of Christmas music, worship, cake, fun, and fellowship at the beginning of Advent, with collections for Warrington Food Bank.

Ist Dec: NS Kids: Christmas is small and mighty 3:30-5:30pm For children age under 13, join us for crafts, games, music, story ... and pizza!

6th Dec: Paint and Sip 7pm Join us with Paint with Sam as we paint a Christmas Bauble. Nosecco, Hot Chocolate and Mince Pies included.

£30 Book online https://forms.gle/d33nuzDNuk8VLpEp8 or contact for tickets.

7th Dec: Latchford Christmas Afternoon Tea 2pm Join us for a Christmas Afternoon Tea. Please contact for tickets.

8th Dec: Latchford Christmas Tree Service 10:30am. A more traditional carol service including a collection of Toys for Children and for the Food bank.

14th Dec: Carol singing in Latchford Village from 10:30am including distributing mince pies

14th Dec: Christmas Film Night 5pm. Come and celebrate Christmas with the Green man and the Whos, including Hot Chocolate and Popcorn. £5 charge.

15th Dec: Christmas New Song Café 7-9pm Join us for an evening of Christmas music, worship, cake, fun and fellowship to celebrate Christmas, with collections for Warrington Food Bank.

20th Dec: Longest Night Reflective Worship 7pm. Join us for a quiet, reflective worship gently speaking of light in the darkness.

24th Dec: Christingle 4:30pm Join us for our orange, sweets, candles and ribbon celebration and worship.

24th – 25th Dec: Serving Hot Drinks @Walton Lea & Fox Covert 10am – 3pm Every year we serve Hot Drinks to people visiting loved ones. Come and get a hot drink, or if you would like to help serve, please get in touch.

25th Dec: Christmas Day Worship 10am. Join us as we celebrate Christmas Day. Bring a present to show!

29th Dec: Latchford 'Songs of Praise' Worship 10:30am.

5th Jan: NS Muddy Walk Ipm. Meet at the St Wilf's Little Room Car Park for a walk around Grappenhall Wood followed by drinks if wanted.

11th Jan: Latchford Pantomime. Details to follow





Carols By Candlelight

Sunday 22nd December 2024 4.00pm

Wash Lane, Latchford

Followed by

Mulled Wine

& Mince Pies







CHRIST CHURCH LATCHFORD

CHRISTIMAS FAYRE

Saturday 7th December 2024

12pm-2pm

Wash Lane Schoolrooms



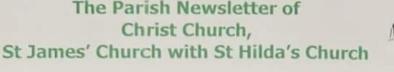
Grand Raffle Prizes Include:

Hamper £50 Voucher Toast Café Vouchers Monia's Cakes Voucher Warrington Town FC Match Tickets KFC Voucher & Many More Prizes



TOMBOLA * REFRESHMENTS * GIFTS







BETHESDA EVANGELICAL CHURCH

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

After a year of hard work, it's time to unwind & celebrate!

KEY DATES

15th Dec: Christingle Service 11am

and Family Church 6pm

22nd Dec: All age Carol Services at

11am and 4pm

23rd Dec: Brass Band Carols Event

including free hot turkey rolls

at 7:30pm with the Tyldesley Brass

Band

25th Dec: Christmas Day Service at

10:30am

FREE FESTIVE REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE
ALL AGE: EVERYBODY IS WELCOME!

WHERE

Chester Road, Stockton Heath

WA4 2RX

www.bethesdaevangelical.org.uk



Celebrate Christmas

17th December 2024

Roast Turkey with all The Trimmings

Vegetarian Option - Goats Cheese Tart with all the Trimmings

Pasta Choice

Selection of Festive Biscuits

£2.45



PANCINGIN DECEMBER

SHOWCASING A VARIETY OF YEAR GROUPS AND DANCE STYLES FROM ACROSS THE DECADES - INCLUDING CHRISTMAS SONGS!



12TH DECEMBER 2024 18:00

AT SIR THOMAS BOTELER CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

WILL INCLUDE SHORT INTERVAL WITH REFRESHMENTS SERVED BY THE PSB £2 PER TICKET - TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE MAIN SCHOOL OFFICE