

Cantrell Primary School Newsletter 9th December 2022



Ho! Ho! Ho!



ATTENDANCE. We've dropped to **93.7%** for the academic year so far, which is below the Ofsted expected standard of 95% and our lowest in 10 years. If your child needs to leave school early for any reason, please inform the school office by telephone. The call should include your child's name and class and the time you will be picking them up. **A good reason for early collection must also be clearly stated;** medical appointments and family emergencies are allowed. We may ask for proof of appointment if attendance for your child is being monitored.

CLASS DOJO SCHOOL ABSENCE. Again, can we remind parents not to use Class Dojo to report a child's absence. A telephone call should be made to the school office on 0115 9155770, text Schoolcomms on 0115 8240395, or email admin@cantrell.nottingham.sch.uk where the admin team will record absence details.

SCARLET FEVER/STREP A. Please see the separate letter sent out today for advice. We are reinforcing good hygiene practice in children and in our cleaning routines. We have no confirmed cases in school.

NURSERY PLACES AVAILABLE. If you have a two, three or four-year-old child, we now have FREE nursery places available. Our Early Years provision is consistently rated **Good** by Ofsted. Please ring 0115 9155770 to book a visit.

JOB VACANCY. We are looking to appoint an experienced part time **Site Manager** who can contribute to maintaining, improving and developing our learning environment both inside and out. Working mornings, 20 hours/week, this is an excellent opportunity for the right person to join a supportive, friendly team. For an informal conversation about the post, please contact Mr Surman on 0115 9155770. To request an application pack please email admin@cantrell.nottingham.sch.uk, or apply via eteach at <https://www.eteach.com/job/site-manager-1292487>.
Closing date extended to Thursday 5th January 2023.

REMINDER TO APPLY FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2023. Applications are now open for children starting in Reception next year. For children who will turn five years old between 1 September 2023 and 31 August 2024. Closing date is **Sunday 15th January 2023** to complete an application on time. Letters have been given to children in main nursery. Apply online at www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/startingprimary.

Y6 DVD PERMISSION. As part of the English curriculum this term children in Year 6 have read two amazing books and would like to follow this up with watching them as films. These films are *Skellig* and *Wonder* which are both PG rated. Please return the permission slip below indicating whether your child is or is not allowed to watch the films. Thank you, Year 6 staff.

POP-UP SECOND HAND UNIFORM & BOOK STALL Friday 16th December. **Cantrell school uniform:** grown out of it — donate it! To support our scheme, we are asking families to donate any unwanted items of uniform that are in good condition and could be worn by another child. Get them washed and bring into school. **Second hand books:** sort and donate your books to school. We would like books for all age groups including novels and non-fiction for parents to read. Bring books and uniform into school from **Monday 12th December.**

CANTRELL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION. The children will be taking part in A Cantrell Christmas Celebration at St Mary's Church, Bulwell on the following afternoons: **Tuesday 13th December Years 1, 2, 3. Thursday 15th December Years 4, 5, 6.** On the afternoon of each performance, the children will walk from school to St Mary's Church. Please ensure your child has a warm, waterproof coat and sensible shoes. Parents are invited to take their seats in Church from **1:40pm**. The performance will begin at **2pm**. When the performance has finished, you are welcome to take your child home from the church. Your child can be collected from their class teacher. *Please do not take your child without the class teacher knowing.* All of the other children not collected at the church will walk back to school and can be collected at the normal home time – 3:30pm.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH. Kitchen staff will prepare a festive lunch on **Wednesday 14th December.** Festive roast turkey *or* festive Quorn roast with Yorkshire Pudding & gravy; served with creamy mash or golden roast potatoes and a rainbow of vegetables. Choose red for turkey, green for Quorn. Pudding is Christmas ice cream tub or Christmas shortbread biscuit. Grab bags not available, please send your child with a packed lunch if s/he prefers not to have a roast, thanks.

***** COMMUNITY NEWS *****

Worried about money? Create a budget plan. You can do this on paper or using an online budgeting tool that will do the adding up for you. Free budgeting tools can be found at www.asklion.co.uk/budgeting.

Warm Welcome Spaces. Struggling to keep warm this winter? There are many registered organisations that have opened or are opening up free, warm, welcoming spaces for the public over this winter:

- **Bulwell URC.** Broomhill Road, Bulwell, Nottingham NG6 9JL. Everybody is welcome, but under 18's must be accompanied by an adult. Open every Monday evening (except bank hols) from 18:00-20:00 for warm space, free soup and refreshments, games, jigsaws & conversation.
- **Renew Community Café at Basford Road Baptist Church.** Basford Road, Nottingham NG6 0JL. basfordroadbaptist.org.uk/. Every Wednesday 11am – 1pm. A range of hot and cold drinks and snacks available for a small donation.
- **SFiCE Social Café** Hyson Green. Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays. A huge part of our Mission is to fight food poverty, so each week we hold our Social Cafe, where you can pick a two course hot meal for you and your family for free, including free food parcels, clothes, toiletries and other necessities. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 4pm-6pm. SFiCE House, 75a Raleigh Street, Nottingham NG7 4DL (within the grounds of All Saints' Church). Call 07941 378265 - if we do not answer, leave a voicemail and we will call you back. Email info@sfiice.org.
- **Crabtree Farm Community Kitchen** Bulwell. Wednesdays 2pm - 6pm. Community members can use the centre as a warm safe place to help reduce fuel bills at home. Caribbean Food, Adults £6, Kids £4. Crabtree Farm Community Centre, Steadfold close, Nottingham NG6 8AX. Telephone 0115 9272869, email crabtreecommunitycentre@msn.com
- **Bells Lane Community Centre – Aspley.** Tuesdays 11am – 1pm. Free food parcel or just a chat. Bells Lane Community Centre, Amesbury Circus, Nottingham NG8 6DD. admin@diversifiededucation.co.uk.
- **New Generation Church – Basford.** Wednesdays 12:30pm – 8:30pm. Free Hot and cold drinks. Community members can use the centre as a warm safe place to help reduce fuel bills at home. Telephone 0115 9701305. E-mail ngcommunityhub@gmail.com. New Generation Church, David Lane, Nottingham NG6 0JU.
- **St Aidan's Church – Basford.** Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:45am - 2pm. Hot and cold food, £4 for jacket potatoes, toasties. Contact Revd. Fr David Gill. Telephone 0115 962 2351. St. Aidan's Church, Arnold Road, Nottingham NG6 0DN.
- Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays, 8:45am - 2pm.
- **Our Lady's Church – Bulwell.** Thursdays 10am – 12:30pm. Be merciful Café - Community members can use the centre as a warm safe place to help reduce fuel bills at home. Telephone 0115 9278403. Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, The Presbytery, Brooklyn Road, Bulwell, Nottingham NG6 9ES. Thursdays, 10am – 12:30pm.
- **ASDA Cafés – Citywide.** Mondays – Sundays. The supermarket is offering those aged 60 and over the chance to enjoy soup, a roll and unlimited tea and coffees for just £1 in any of its 205 cafes all day and every day throughout November and December. The new initiative will run alongside the current 'Kids eat for £1' offer.
- **Bulwell Forest Garden.** Fridays are a bit of a social event at the Community Garden! People can come and relax in the beautiful surroundings and enjoy some seasonal tasty food for a suggested donation of £2.50. We have the pick of the garden to enjoy and you are very much encouraged to get stuck in with the cooking too. You don't need to be a volunteer to enjoy Lunch Club. It's very much about meeting new people, being outdoors and picking up some useful ideas of what to cook with the food we grow. You can either join us from 10:30am and volunteer with us to harvest food and help cook a two-course veggie meal, or come along at 12:00pm to share a meal and good company. Telephone 0115 7790155. E-mail admin@bulwellforestgarden.co.uk. Website Bulwell Forest Garden Website. Bulwell Forest Garden, Austin Street, Nottingham NG6 9HE. Fridays, 10:30am or 12pm.

Oh Yes It Is! ... Pantos and Christmas Markets.

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. Sat 3 December to Sun 8 January 2023. Theatre Royal.

The Singing Mermaid. Fri 09 to Sat 31 December. Djanogly Theatre, Lakeside Arts.

Dick Whittington. Thurs 24 November to Sat 14 January 2023. Nottingham Playhouse.

Puss in Boots. Sat 3 to Sun 18 December. Nottingham Arts Theatre.

Woodthorpe weekends. Weekends from Sat 26 November until Sun 18 December. Woodthorpe Park Plant Shop.

Christmas at Newstead. From Sat 26 November. Newstead Abbey.

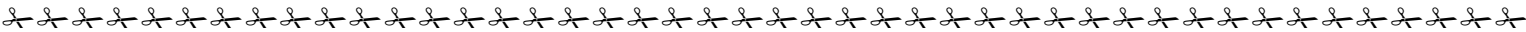
Christingle at Bulwell St Mary's Church. The service for children that welcomes the whole family. You are warmly invited to our **CHRISTINGLE**. Join us for a special candlelit celebration **Sunday 11th December** from 4pm, a Christingle to take home.

SOMETHING FOR ALL AGES - short – informal – fun. All proceeds for the Children's Society, let's '**Shine light into darkness**'.

What is Christingle? Christingle is a joyful celebration that brings families and communities together to share the light of Jesus and spread a message of hope. It is a major fundraising event supporting the Children's Society. *What does The Children's Society do?* The Children's Society supports and helps some of the most desperate children and young people in England whose hopes and happiness hangs by a thread.

Christmas holiday provision in Bestwood, Bulwell, Top Valley. Visit: www.bestwood.org.uk Or www.asklion.co.uk – Holiday activities. **Winter Wonderland at Bulwell Forest Garden.** Saturday 10th December family activities 2pm – 4pm. Meet Santa; festive crafts; family show; free hot food. Booking essential tel. 07890 557854. £1 entry. More information at www.bulwellforestgarden.co.uk. **FREE Family Christmas Party.** Mellish Sports Centre, Kemmel road, Bulwell, NG5 4HA. Funded

by Bestwood partnership. Christmas jumpers are optional. Saturday 17th December 1 – 3pm. Fun and games; Boxing; Bushcraft survival skills; Basketball; Arts & Crafts; free gift from Santa; free festive food. Please contact reception to book your space. Note: Parents and carers must stay for this festive family celebration. FREE festive youth celebration at Mellish Sports Centre. Wednesday 21st December, 4 – 6pm. To book please call 0115 9754772. The Toy Library Invite you to a FREE fun filled PARTY with FREE Festive food. Thursday 22nd December, 2pm till 5pm at The Scout Hut Edwards Lane NG5 6EP. Festive Play Session including free food, arts & crafts, party games and prizes. Take home Cookery Kit, activity bag and lots of fun activities. Booking is essential. Please click here: <http://bit.ly/ToyLibChristmas>. Fancy dress optional. Please call, text or WhatsApp for further enquiries 07309 668 335 or 0115 975 3898 or email ADMIN@TOY-LIBRARY.CO.UK. Release Holiday Club. Mellish Sports Centre 29th and 30th December, 10am – 2pm. Limited spaces for children entitled to Free School Meals. Please telephone 0115 9932370 for more information.



Year 6 permission to watch PG DVD's - please return to class teacher as soon as possible

I give permission for (child's name) in class to watch Skellig and Wonder.
..... (parent's signature).

I *do not* give permission for (child's name) in class to watch Skellig and Wonder.
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