



Dear families

It's hard to believe how quickly the time has flown by and we now find ourselves at the end of the Autumn Term. The Christmas activities have been excellent and well attended by so many of you. There are some lovely photos below that show you some of the things we have been up to and I am sure more have been shared on Evidence for Learning. I feel a bit like Dawn French as I have had so many Christmas dinners this week, including one cooked by our 6th form students.

Dates and times of the activities for next week are listed below. Tuesday is a non-uniform day.

Father Christmas has been very busy, he was at the Bazaar and the Fields site today, on Monday he will visit the Primary pupils at the Castle site.

We will also be sharing our Castle 12 Days of Christmas film on our YouTube Channel.

Can I take this opportunity to thank all of our wonderful families for the support you have given all of us at the school this term.

The staff continue to do a fabulous job with all our pupils and their dedication is very much appreciated.

### Ludlow Class News

We have had a really busy term here in Ludlow Class, especially recently with lots of Christmas activities taking place. On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December we attended the schools carol service at Kings College Chapel. This was a practice for the main carol service which is televised each year. There were many schools who went and it was a beautiful, festive occasion with everyone from Castle doing amazingly!

In addition, we were lucky enough to attend the pantomime Dick Whittington at the Cambridge Arts Theatre which was brilliant and so much fun! We have also been working hard making things for the school bazaar on Friday and doing some different activities in class / getting ready for the holidays.

Have a Great Holiday!

From All in Ludlow Class





### **Kings College Choir**

We were very fortunate to attend King's College Carols Service last week.

It was a beautiful occasion and our pupils were a credit to the school.



### **Christmas Carols at Castle School**

We had some lovely performances from our children at school. Followed by coffee and mince pies for the parents.







### **Circus Starr**

We are very fortunate to have been given a number of complimentary tickets for Circus Starr. Please contact the school office for your free tickets stating how many tickets you would like (maximum 4 per family) and whether you would like to attend the 4.45pm or 7.00pm performance. Tickets are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

### **Memory Garden**

Now we need your help again to be Panther Taxi's charity of the year.

### **VOTE NOW for Castle School to be Charity of the year 2023**

Voting closes 10:00am, 19th December 2022.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1639546576459752/permalink/1639548353126241/>

[https://twitter.com/Panther\\_Taxis](https://twitter.com/Panther_Taxis)

[https://www.instagram.com/panther\\_taxis](https://www.instagram.com/panther_taxis)

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/panther-taxis>

Please make sure that you vote and share this information in order for Castle School to have as much chance as possible of receiving this support.

## Congestion charge

The congestion charge is a £5-per-day charge for motorists to come into or go out of the city, about which the Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP) is currently consulting. Between 7am and 7pm on weekdays, those who enter the zone will have to pay the charge.

There is a petition online against the congestion charge, please sign of if you do not agree with it.

<https://chnng.it/57mSqRLFc4>

## Christmas Bazaar

We were very lucky to have Father Christmas at our School Bazaar today.

Thank you very much to everyone who came and supported us. It was great to see so many people involved.



## Christmas dates

### Monday 19<sup>th</sup>

Christmas Service at St Giles Church 10.30am start

### Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>

Disco for Secondary Classes

Class Parties for Primary

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Last day of term

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January Training day\*

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January School opens

\*Please note that children come back to school on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January

Happy Christmas

*Anne*