

# CHRISTMAS



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## CHEAPSIDE

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS SWITCH ON 5PM, 7TH DECEMBER 2016

## The Cheapside Business Alliance ebulletin December 2016

### Help make this Christmas special for children in the City

This festive season, the City of London Police, the City of London Corporation and the Cheapside Business Alliance are inviting you to bring a little more Christmas cheer into the lives of vulnerable children across the Square Mile.

On Wednesday 7 December, in partnership with the City of London Corporation and the Cheapside Business Alliance, we will be launching the City of London Police 'Give a Gift' Christmas Tree Project.

Until Wednesday 14 December there will be a 'Give a Gift' Christmas tree on Bow Church Yard, off Cheapside. But instead of being adorned with tinsel and baubles there will be tags directing you to the City of London Police website where you can sign up and ensure that every child in the City has a present to open on Christmas Day.

The City of London Corporation's Social Care and Early Help teams currently provide help, support and care to 69 children and young people from newborn babies through to young adults, including children with disabilities. It is the aim of City of London Police, the City of London Corporation and the Cheapside Business Alliance that every one of them has a gift waiting for them on Christmas morning.

To take part, all you need to do is take a tag from the tree and follow the instructions. Once you have signed up on [our website](#) you will then receive an email telling you a little bit about the recipient of your generous gift.

If you are unable to give a gift but want to get involved another way, you can also make a donation to the City of London Police Children's Charity via the City of London Police Just Giving page.



**The Lady Mayoress Wendy Parmley will be turning on the tree lights at 5pm on Wednesday 7 December by St Mary Le Bow Church, Cheapside and members of the public are invited to attend the switch-on.**

"I am hugely proud to bring the 'Give a Gift' Christmas Tree Project to the City of London for the first time. I also want to thank our partners the City of London Corporation and the Cheapside Business Association, who kindly donated the tree. We all know that Christmas is a time for giving and if you can, please take a tag and add one more present to your shopping list for a child in need of help and protection, or those in care. I am sure that the generosity of all those who live and work in the Square Mile will mean that every child will have a present to open." **City of London Police Commissioner Ian Dyson**

"We are proud to serve our children and families in need of help and protection here in the City. This is an excellent project to make sure every child has a present at Christmas." **Ade Adetosoye, Director of Community & Children's Services at the City of London Corporation**

"I know I speak for all members of the Cheapside Business Alliance when I say how proud I am to support this initiative. I am sure that the Cheapside community will fully support this project. Partnership working is at the heart of how the City operates and it is great to see how the Alliance, City of London Police and the Corporation have come together to help make Christmas a special time of year for every child." **Claire Dumontier-Marriage, Cheapside Business Alliance Manager**

### The Cheapside App – Do you have it?

We have many exciting events coming up over the next few months, so please support us where you can. Please [click here](#) to find out more.



### 12 days of Christmas Advent Campaign

Please visit [www.incheapside.com](http://www.incheapside.com) from 1st-12th Dec for a chance to **WIN A PRIZE** or receive an offer from one of our local businesses within the cheapside footprint. During these days look out for Duddle in the foot print who will be offering a FREE gift wrapping service.

Plus Cheapside Business Alliance will be handing out Christmas tote bags... so please look out for our Ambassadors who will be handing these out!



### Events

#### Christmas Tree Lights Switch On

7th December, 5pm prompt

Outside St Mary Le Bow Church

With the City Academy Islington Choir performing carols.



#### Billingsgate Roman House and Baths

Tours run on Saturday and Sunday until Sunday 11 December 2016

101 Lower Thames Street



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Beneath the curious cobbled pathways of the Square Mile lies a rich Roman history surviving 2,000 years of building, fires and bombings.

Lower Thames Street is home to one of Roman London's most fascinating remains. The Billingsgate Roman Bathhouse was discovered in 1848, and is now open to the public. Explore this fascinating insight into ancient life in the City on a 45-min guided tour and discover the remains of the Roman Bathhouse which lies hidden beneath office buildings.

[www.museumoflondon.org.uk/museum-london/event-detail?id=52808](http://www.museumoflondon.org.uk/museum-london/event-detail?id=52808)

#### Guildhall Yard Market

Thursday 8 December 2016, 12noon – 2.30pm

Guildhall Yard



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Guildhall Yard hosts a regular lunch market with more than 20 stalls serving up mouth-watering dishes from around the world. Feast on proper Greek wraps, Jamaican jerk chicken, cracking Korean dumplings and more.

If you have time (and room) for dessert, there are also plenty of sweet treats, including gourmet brownies and decadent doughnuts.

So ditch the packed lunch, leave the office and join us in Guildhall Yard.

[www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/things-to-do/visit-the-city/whats-on/Pages/guildhall-markets.aspx](http://www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/things-to-do/visit-the-city/whats-on/Pages/guildhall-markets.aspx)

#### City of London Police Museum

Open Monday to Friday 9.30am – 5pm (open til 7.30pm on Wednesdays) and Saturday 10am – 4pm

Guildhall Library - FREE ADMISSION



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Discover the story of policing in the City of London. From early police telephone boxes in London, via the history of the police uniform and Olympic glory, to grisly stories of the City's criminal past, explore the lives of the City of London's policemen and women and how the nature of policing has changed since its formation in 1837.

[www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/things-to-do/visit-the-city/attractions/guildhall-galleries/Pages/City-of-London-Police-Museum.aspx](http://www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/things-to-do/visit-the-city/attractions/guildhall-galleries/Pages/City-of-London-Police-Museum.aspx)

### Purple is the new green. Make Duddle the new delivery address instead of the office

Together with Cheapside Business Alliance, we want businesses in the Cheapside area to help us towards our goal of improving air quality by providing each of your staff a Duddle membership, to use as their new delivery address instead of the office. Consolidating deliveries to a Duddle store is essential for the environment. Instead of multiple delivery vans going to different homes or offices, Duddle's central delivery location takes thousands of vans off the road, lowering CO2 and NO2 emissions and improving air quality.

Duddle stores are conveniently located across the city, making it easy to collect and return online shopping from any retailer, or send parcels in the UK or abroad. Reduce your deliveries to work and help improve air quality by using Duddle.

To find out more, contact us on [corporatediscounts@duddle.it](mailto:corporatediscounts@duddle.it)

Duddle: Cannon Street Underground Station, Unit 1, Cannon Street Station, Dowgate Hill, London EC4N 6AD

Duddle: Throgmorton Street, Warnford Court, 29 Throgmorton Street, London, EC2N 2BB



### Christmas window display for Cheapside

CBA & the **City Centre** invited 12 Year 5 pupils from **Redriff Primary School** to be given an insight into how to design attractive window displays inspired by and fits into Cheapside's unique built environment. In this free project hosted at the City Centre children completed two workshops run by **Archimake** to design their own Christmas diorama inspired by the architecture of the Cheapside footprint at Christmas using recycled materials. The final display will be show cased on the 7th-8th Dec at Bow Bells House, 1 Bread Street | London | EC4M 9BE and from 9th Dec 13th Dec the display will be moved to NatWest, 1 Princess Street, London EC2R 8BP.

Cheapside Business Alliance always needs interesting stories for our newsletter. Please email [claire.dumontier-marriage@cityoflondon.gov.uk](mailto:claire.dumontier-marriage@cityoflondon.gov.uk) with suggestions or if you would like your business or event featured.



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