

## Chester Kids Calendar Winter 2011

### December

Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Nov-  
Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Dec

#### **Christmas Market**

Chester Town Hall. 10am-6pm. Late-nights until 8pm Thursdays and Christmas week.

Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Nov-  
Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Jan

#### **Sleeping Beauty**

Clwyd Theatre Cymru, Mold, CH7 1YA. The Rock'n'Roll Panto. The perfect Yuletide show. Box Office 0845 330 3565. Cost £20- £16. Concessions £15-£11.

Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Nov-  
Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Dec

#### **Santa's Grotto**

Cheshire Reindeer Lodge, Lime Tree Farm, Stanney Ln, Little Stanney, Chester CH2 4HT. (next to Cheshire Oaks, junction 10, M53) Come and see Santa in his luxury grotto and meet the reindeer for a Magical Festive experience. FREE admission to see the animals and all weather Christmas tree farm. Tel 01244 646045 for more details.

Every weekend  
Dec.

#### **Santa's Reindeer**

Grosvenor Garden Centre CH4 9EB. Visit Santa's reindeer every weekend in December before Christmas. Flying in from 10am-3pm. Tel 01244 625200 for more details.

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup>-  
Sat 24<sup>th</sup>

#### **Storytime with Santa**

Grosvenor Garden Centre. CH4 9EB. Join Santa as he reads The Jolly Christmas Postman, find out about the postman's adventures as he goes on a very special journey. Enjoy a Christmas cookie and juice while you listen to the story. With plenty of time for photos and to tell Santa what's on your wish list, you'll also receive a very special collectible Raymond Briggs, The Snowman mug made by Portmeirion - perfect for leaving Santa a mug of milk on Christmas Eve too! Tickets cost £7.95 per child including free entrance for up to 2 accompanying adults. Tel 01244 625200 to book.

Sun 4<sup>th</sup> –  
Thurs 8<sup>th</sup>

#### **Dick Whittington and his Cat**

1539 Restaurant & Bar, Chester Racecourse, CH1 2LY. NW Theatre Arts Company and Big Red Events present this classic pantomime. Tel 01925 210387 for further details.

Thurs 8<sup>th</sup>

#### **Santa Arrives**

Cheshire Farm Ice Cream, Drumlan Hall Farm, Tttenhall, CH3 9NE. Doors Open 3pm, Reindeer arrive 4.30pm. £2 per child, adults FREE. The farm is open for the evening with festive market stalls, cookery demonstrations and carol singing. Tel 01829 770446 for more details.

Fri 9<sup>th</sup> –  
Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Jan

#### **Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs**

Pavilion Theatre, Rhyl. Starring Amy Thompson (Channel 5's Milkshake) as Snow White, Tupele Dorgu (Corrie's Kelly Crabtree) as the Wicked Queen. Tickets £7-£15.50. Performance times and booking on 01745 330000 or visit [www.rhylpavilion.co.uk](http://www.rhylpavilion.co.uk).

Sat 10<sup>th</sup> &  
Sun 11<sup>th</sup>

#### **Santa's Grotto**

Cheshire Farm Ice Cream, Drumlan Farm Tattenhall CH3 9NE. Father Christmas awaits his visitors from 10.30am-4.30pm. Tel 01829 770446 or visit [www.cheshirefarmicecream.co.uk](http://www.cheshirefarmicecream.co.uk).

Sat 10<sup>th</sup> -  
Sat 31<sup>st</sup>

#### **Aladdin**

Venue Cymru, Llandudno, LL30 1BB. A rip-roaring adventure brought magically to life by a superb cast, starring Jason Gardiner (from Dancing on Ice) as Abanazar. Tickets £14.50 - £19.50. Box Office 01492 872000 or visit [www.venuecymru.co.uk](http://www.venuecymru.co.uk)

Sat 10<sup>th</sup>

#### **Youth Choirs Christmas Concert**

All Saints Church, Vicarage Road, Chester. CH2 3HZ. An alternative nine lessons and carols. 7.30pm. Cost £7. Tel 01244 300717 or email [youthinfo@chestermusicsociety.org.uk](mailto:youthinfo@chestermusicsociety.org.uk)

Sat 10<sup>th</sup> –

- Fri 30<sup>th</sup> **Jack and the Beanstalk**  
Tip Top Productions at The Forum Studio Theatre, Hamilton Place, Chester CH1 2BH. Shows at 10am, 1pm, 3pm, 5pm & 7pm. Tickets from £6.50. Box Office 01244 341296 or visit [www.chesterpanto.co.uk](http://www.chesterpanto.co.uk)
- Sun 11<sup>th</sup> **Santa Dash Fun Run**  
Chester Racecourse CH1 2LY. Santa Dash 5km Fun Run for all ages. 8.30am. Cost £10. Tel 01244 304610 for more info.
- Tues 13<sup>th</sup> -  
Sat 31<sup>st</sup> **Aladdin**  
Winsford Lifestyle Centre, The Drummer, Winsford CW7 1AD. Don't miss this year's magical panto. Box Office 01606 814640 open Mon-Fri 9am-4pm.
- Wed 14<sup>th</sup> **Singing For Pleasure**  
Sir John Deane's College, Northwich, CW9 8AF. Charity Christmas Concert in the new theatre. Proceeds to St Luke's Hospice. 7-9pm. Cost £8. Tel 01606 810020 or email [adult\\_education@sjd.ac.uk](mailto:adult_education@sjd.ac.uk)
- Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> **Roman Saturnalia Parade**  
Chester's Roman army parades around the city by torchlight to celebrate the festival of Saturnalia. A popular festival in Roman times with feasting and present-giving. 6.30pm at Grosvenor Museum. Tel 01244 402033 for more information.
- Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> -  
Sat 31<sup>st</sup> **Jack and the Beanstalk**  
The Grange Theatre, Bradburns Lane, Hartford, Northwich. CW8 1LU. 'Music, dance and more laughs than you can shake a holly bush at'. To book call 01606 723570 ext 245 or visit [www.thegrangetheatre.com](http://www.thegrangetheatre.com)
- Sat 17<sup>th</sup> -  
Sun 18<sup>th</sup> **Santa's Grotto**  
Cheshire Farm Ice Cream, Drumlan Farm Tattenhall CH3 9NE. Father Christmas awaits his visitors from 10.30am-4.30pm. Tel 01829 770446 or visit [www.cheshirefarmicecream.co.uk](http://www.cheshirefarmicecream.co.uk).
- Sat 17<sup>th</sup> -  
Sat 24<sup>th</sup> **Santa Cruises**  
Boat Museum, South Pier Road, Ellesmere Port CH65 4FW. Join Santa for a boat trip and a trip to his enchanting grotto to experience the Victorian Teddy Bears' Christmas where the youngsters can hear a story and receive a gift from Santa himself. Call 0151 355 5017 for sailing times. Cost £8 per child and £4 per adult.
- Sat 17<sup>th</sup> &  
Sun 18<sup>th</sup>  
& Sat 24<sup>th</sup> **Breakfast with Santa**  
Grosvenor Garden Centre, CH4 9EB. Santa's helpers will take your breakfast order and show you to your table where you can make a Christmas name sticker whilst your breakfast is prepared. Santa will visit you for photographs and to deliver your special gift. Doors open 8.15am, Santa will arrive just after 8.30am. £8.95 per person, booking essential, maximum of 8 per table. Tel 01244 625200.
- Sun 18<sup>th</sup> **Rowing – Icicle Eights**  
From Eccleston to Sandy Lane. View from Sandy Lane, CH3 5UL. 10.30am start. FREE.
- Mon 19<sup>th</sup> &  
Tues 20<sup>th</sup> **Christmas Bells**  
Chester Cathedral, CH1 2HU. Join Waverton Handbell Ringers, Chester Music Society and Nick Fry for a celebration of Christmas in words and music for all the family. Start 7.30pm. Tickets £13-£6. Tel 0845 241 7868 for more information.

**January**

**February**