

13th December 2021





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Thinking Artistically

What's on in Medway?

Christmas at our heritage sites

Do you remember finding an orange or an annual in your Christmas stocking? Have you ever wondered when Christmas trees first appeared in our homes? Or why people had a yule log in the dark days of a medieval winter?

As you explore this beautiful Elizabethan town house, displays and decorations will take you back in time to discover how Christmas traditions have changed throughout the centuries.

Eastgate House is open from Wednesday to Sunday every week, with the event running from 1 December to Sunday, 9 January.



Mince Pie Mayhem at Rochester Castle

Reveal stories about what Christmas was like in a medieval castle with the mince pie mayhem trail at Rochester Castle.

From Wednesday, 1 December until Friday, 31 December (Tuesday to Sunday 10am to 4pm). The trail costs £1 per child, and normal admission charges apply.



Christmas Walkabout

From Saturday, 27 November, reoccurring every Saturday until Christmas, The Pentagon Shopping Centre will host a series of world renowned street artists and performers.

The winter walkabout street artists will be spreading their festive cheer at 11:30am-1pm and 2.30pm. (If you bump into them, be sure to snap and selfie and #ChathamWinterWalkabouts).



Rochester City Vintage & Artisan Market

The monthly Rochester City Vintage & Artisan Market will be running one two consecutive weekends in December to help you find last-minute unique, intriguing and individual Christmas gifts for your nearest and dearest.

The festive market will run 10am to 3.30pm on Saturday 11 and Saturday 18 December, along Rochester High Street. Street entertainers and buskers will be around, bringing Christmas cheer to shoppers and visitors, courtesy of Music Management and Promotions, a Rochester-based live music promotions business.





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Artist of the term awards:







can you use collage materials to create a winter wonderland themed picture? You can use materials you have to hand - these could be natural materials found on a winter walk, collage materials from recycling, colouring pencils or even paint.

In your winter wonderland themed picture can you ensure you include the following criteria:

- 13D Element
- 1 silhouette
- Landscape

We will be sending all Art work entered to a local artist in the community. They will decide the winning piece. Winning art work will be added to our New Horizons Children's Academy Art Gallery for all to view.

Who: All Year Groups

Deadline: Friday 4th February 2022