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'The Best for Every Child -a Unique Child of God'
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Dear Parent / Carers

Our Christian Value this term is **Respect**.

Our Ethos Statement this week is: *"So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets"* (Matthew 7:12).

Training Days for 2025/26

Fri 24 October

Mon 1 June

Mon/Tue 20/21 July

Autumn Term

It has been another busy and uplifting week here at Holy Trinity! As I move around school, it is a joy to see children engaged in such exciting learning opportunities. This week I had the pleasure of speaking with some of our fantastic Year 6 children, who were inspired to complete extra homework about the artists they are studying. I've also enjoyed seeing some brilliant writing in Year 1 and some very exciting science experiments in Year 4 involving toy cars!

Our lunchtimes and playtimes continue to be a delight, with such variety on offer for the children. The energy, creativity, and collaboration they show outdoors is fantastic. This is in no small part thanks to our Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) working party, made up of parents, governors, and staff. The group met this week ahead of the upcoming audit, and there are already lots of imaginative ideas about how we can develop our school grounds to provide even more opportunities for the children... watch this space!

Finally, a big thank you to those parents who have already completed the online survey. Your feedback is invaluable as we continue to look for ways to improve. The survey remains open until 22nd September, and I will share some of the emerging themes in a future newsletter.

Dan Hemming
Headteacher

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Pupil of the Week

<p>1T</p> <p>1T's pupil of the week is Anna. Anna has had a super week! She is growing in confidence to answer questions during lessons and tries her best in all lessons. Anna has been impressed me with adding numbers within 10 during Maths and writing a sentence using our new sound in Phonics. She is also a lovely and kind member of the class. Well done Anna, keep up the great work 😊</p>	<p>1RC</p> <p>Our pupil of the week is Frankie Hill. Frankie has impressed us since the start of term with her enthusiasm and hard work. This week she has used her super reading skills to sequence sentences about The very hungry caterpillar, and in maths, she has worked diligently when calculating addition sums. Frankie is kind and always plays nicely. Well done. 😊</p>
<p>2J</p> <p>Our pupil of the week in 2J this week is Angel. Angel has impressed me every day with her attitude towards our learning and school life. She always has a big smile on her face and enthusiastically puts her hand up to contribute her ideas in lessons. Angel has already neatened up her handwriting and her balancing skills in PE were fantastic. Angel is a good friend to others and a polite member of the class. Well done Angel, keep it up. 😊</p>	<p>2S</p> <p>This week we have chosen Maisie Dickinson as our pupil of the week. We have been so impressed with Maisie's enthusiasm since the very first day of year 2. She has such a huge smile on her face every day and has absolutely thrown herself into the challenges of year 2. She's also a lovely, kind friend and always looks after others. Keep up the fabulous effort Maisie, well done! 😊</p>
<p>3R</p> <p>This week we have chosen Arthur as 3R's pupil of the week. Arthur has made a fantastic start to Year 3 and has really impressed all the adults with his resilience and positive attitude towards his learning. Arthur has produced some brilliant work and hasn't let his injury affect his work or get him down. He has put in maximum effort and is trying his very best. Arthur has particularly impressed us in science with how sensibly he was working in his group during our investigation on friction; he has shown a super positive mindset and we are all really proud of him. Well done Arthur 😊</p>	<p>3W</p> <p>This week in 3W we have chosen Alice as our pupil of the week. Alice is always listening in class and engaged with the activities. Additionally, she is always working hard to ensure that she produces her best work. I have been particularly impressed with Alice's English work this week where we have been creating descriptive sentences linked to our topic on James and the Giant Peach. Well done Alice, keep up the good work. 😊</p>
<p>4W</p> <p>Well done to all of 4W for another superb week! Congratulations to Ahmed Wasi who is our Pupil of the Week this week. Ahmed has really impressed us this week with his attitude, hard work and engagement in all lessons. This has particularly been the case with maths; he has been challenging himself in every lesson answering questions and joining in discussions</p>	<p>4S</p> <p>This week in 4S our Pupil of the Week is Millie Richardson! Millie has had a wonderful start to Year 4, and has stepped up to all of the work and responsibilities. In every lesson her hand is always up and she shares some amazing thoughts and ideas with the class. Her English work has particularly stood out to us, with a super start to her biography all about George Stephenson. Millie has used similes, subordinating conjunctions, and parenthesis in</p>

too as a result, he's completed some absolutely fantastic work. Well done, Ahmed. 😊	her work which makes it really lovely to read. Well done Millie, keep up the amazing work 😊
<p>5L</p> <p>My 5L Pupil of the Week is Ben Graham for a brilliant week of learning! Ben has had a fantastic attitude towards his learning, producing some excellent work across the curriculum as a result of this! Ben has really shown a great grasp of his place value knowledge in our math unit. He has also worked well as part of a team during our group work. Well done Ben, keep up the fantastic attitude! 😊</p>	<p>5K</p> <p>I have chosen Jenson Bryer as my pupil of the week because of his enthusiasm in maths lessons this week. Jenson has demonstrated his impressive knowledge of place value and displayed a fantastic attitude towards challenge, always wanting to move onto the extension tasks. Well done Jenson! 😊</p>
<p>6C</p> <p>Ernie Boyle for his superb start to life in Year 6. In all lessons Ernie has shown an incredible enthusiasm and engagement. He is always ready and willing to share his ideas, views and opinions in all our class discussions, showing a particular deep understanding of solving problems in maths and understanding the motivations for characters' actions in our novel. Well done Ernie 😊 keep up the impressive efforts and involvement in Year 6! 😊</p>	<p>6E</p> <p>Rory Briscoe-Wilkinson is our pupil of the week this week. The whole Year 6 team has been thoroughly impressed with his efforts in multiple subjects. He has really taken to rounding in our maths lessons and successfully completed many questions on it. He has worked very hard in history lessons in learning about the great war. Most of all, we noticed his work in Art where he completed a stunning piece on Picasso. Keep it up, Rory! 😊</p>

Dates for your diary

w/c 22 Sep Wellbeing week (incl outdoor climbing wall)

Wed 1 Oct – start of Black History month

Fri 3 Oct – Harvest Festival in the hall (KS1) at 9:15am

Mon 13 Oct – PTA AGM

Sun 19 Oct – PTA Community Day (see below)

Tue 21 Oct – Year 6 trip to Eden Camp (information to follow)

Tue 21 Oct – Parents evening (3:45 to 5:30pm)

Wed 22 Oct – Parents evening (4:30 to 6:30pm)

Fri 24 Oct – training day (school closed for pupils)



Cookridge Holy Trinity PTA Community Day



Can you spare a couple of hours of time or skill on Sunday 19th October 12 - 4pm

We are hoping to gather a team of volunteers to help with the next stage of developing our school grounds for OPAL play. Projects include: clearing the brambles area, building a wooden stage, building a water wall with guttering, creating a hill tunnel...to name a few!

If you can help with building, supplying materials lifting, co-ordinating, or want to come along and support then please contact Amy on 07759025850.



Can you spare a few hours a week to become a reading helper at our school?

We are working with a charity called Coram Beanstalk to recruit and train volunteer reading helpers who can commit to an afternoon a week to come in to school. As a reading helper you will support at least 3 children on a one to one basis outside of the classroom environment. It's a fun role that's about much more than just listening to children read.

As a reading helper you will support children to become readers; helping children to switch onto reading, learn to read and become confident independent readers. You will be trained in a proven approach and will lead sessions for each child that bring fun and enjoyment to the reading experience, ultimately wanting the child to choose to read and be enthusiastic about it!

Reading helpers read to the child, talk about what they have read, check understanding and encourage thinking and conversation based on a book. They use fun book based activities to reinforce understanding, develop vocabulary and further cement enjoyment through a positive reading experience. We know this approach works and raises reading attainment, with one to one sessions bringing additional benefits of improving confidence, self-esteem and attitude to learning.

If you would like to become a reading helper at our school, or you know someone, perhaps a grandparent or a neighbour who would like to join our friendly school community please do consider this role.

For more information or if you wish to apply, visit the website at www.corambeanstalk.org.uk or call 0207 729 4087.

General Volunteering in school

If you would be interested in more general volunteering in school, we are always on the look out for people offering their time to help and support our children. Please contact the office to express your interest - your support is much appreciated.

PTA Notices

Hi all,

As a parent or guardian at the school you are all automatically part of the Parent Teacher Association (PTA), a registered charity (number 1127077) run entirely by volunteers. Each year a committee must be elected at an Annual General Meeting to oversee; the running of the charity, organising of all the fun events for the children, and to create a team who approve spending the funds raised, back in school.

AGM date : Monday 13th October
AGM time: 3:30pm

AGM location: School Conference Room

Your child will spend a significant portion of their week in school. This is your way to improve that environment and ensure they make the best memories during their school days! We need people to join the committee to continue with the great work we have done over the last two years since the PTA relaunch raising over £21,000! You do not need to have lots of free time, the current committee all have jobs and busy family lives.

To read more about the committee roles and how you can get involved please visit:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=qO3qvR3IzkWGPllpTW3ywuG5dISnIFOo3ZshHHJYU1UNEIJT1U3R1JMMkpaRVIZU1c0UVFTNIZQMi4u>

Please note we need the wider community to attend the AGM to cast your vote on who represents the PTA and to share your ideas on PTA events and to feedback on the annual plans. Without this important meeting there can be no committee. So please attend if you can.

Many thanks

Amy
PTA Chair 2023-2025