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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

This week we celebrated Wellbeing Week at Holy Trinity, and it has been wonderful to see the children so engaged in activities that support both their minds and bodies. I am especially grateful to our staff for giving the children so many fantastic opportunities throughout the week. The children enjoyed a wide range of activities, including mindfulness and yoga, ways to look after their minds and bodies, a whole school 'wake up shake up session', and opportunities to focus on kindness, positivity, and helping others. So, if when you ask them what they have been doing at school this week they say "nothing," that is definitely not the case!

A highlight of the week was the climbing wall on Tuesday, and the children were absolutely fantastic! Many pupils showed real bravery, pushing themselves beyond what they thought was possible. Even those who were initially nervous challenged themselves and celebrated their achievements — a true display of courage and determination. It was especially valuable for our Year 5 pupils, who will soon be going on residential trips and taking part in similar activities.

A big thank you to Mr Taylor from JustClimb for bringing the wall and supporting the children — your expertise and encouragement made the day extra special. Unfortunately, there wasn't time for the headteacher to have a turn (I certainly wouldn't dream of queue-jumping!), so I'll have to wait for the school fair to get my climb in.





























Well done to everyone who took part in Wellbeing Week!

Staffing News

We have a couple of staffing updates to share from Cookridge Holy Trinity.

Miss Russell, our Year 3R teacher, will be leaving us at October Half Term. She is getting married and will then be travelling the world. We are very grateful for all she has contributed to our school and wish her every happiness in this next chapter.

Miss Curtis, our Reception teacher, is expected to start her maternity leave at the end of the autumn term. We send her our warmest congratulations as she prepares for this exciting time.

To cover these changes, we are currently advertising for:
A full-time permanent Key Stage Two Teacher (to replace Miss Russell)
A part-time Reception Teacher (fixed-term to cover Miss Curtis's maternity leave)

If you know anyone who may be interested in joining our hardworking and supportive team, please encourage them to visit our school website for more details.

Dan Hemming Headteacher

Pupil of the Week

1T

1T's pupil of the week is Jasmine. Jasmine has had a fantastic week! She always participates in lessons and tries her best. Jasmine enjoys Maths and has a shown a super understanding of greater than and less than this week. Jasmine also impressed me with her confidence on the climbing wall; volunteering to go first and climbing right to the top! Well done Jasmine ①

1RC

Our pupil of the week is Alfie Bottomley. Alfie has been working incredibly hard in every lesson. He has impressed Mrs Baker with his confidence in reading and phonics. In maths, he has shown a good understanding of greater than and less than. This week, Alfie has also demonstrated great resilience on the climbing wall. What a superstar! Well done. :-)

2J

Our pupil of the week is Emmie. What has particularly impressed me about Emmie over the last few weeks is her diligence and perseverance in all her lessons. She listens really hard and takes in everything she's learnt, which is now showing through beautifully in her work. She is challenging herself by using super vocabulary and 'wow' words in her writing and in every maths lesson she has pushed herself to do as much as she can and problem solve independently - even with the harder challenge questions. She has also taken on an extra set of lines in our Harvest festival. Well done Emmie.

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We've been so impressed with all the children's enthusiasm and engagement with well-being week but we've chosen Freya Gallagher as our pupil of the week. At the start of the day on Tuesday, Freya was a bit apprehensive about the climbing wall but by the end of our session she had conquered her fears and got halfway up the wall! It was so lovely to see the huge smile on her face and we are so proud of her for deciding to give it a go. I've also been really impressed with her English work this week and how kind and polite she's been in class since day one. Keep up all your fantastic effort and enthusiasm Freya, you're an absolute superstar! ①

зR

This week we have chosen Louis as 3R's pupil of the week. Louis is an incredibly polite, kind and hardworking member of 3R and a delight to teach. He has been working hard in English this week using speech marks to punctuate dialogue and using this in his writing. He has been putting in 100% effort into all his learning and trying really hard to listen and contribute to class discussions. He has also been encouraging others on the climbing wall this week which was lovely to see. Well done Louis! Keep it up ©

3W

This week in 3W we have chosen Lyla as our pupil of the week. Lyla has really impressed me with her bravery this week on the climbing wall, which we did as part of wellbeing week. Lyla managed to get all the way to the top and back down, despite being nervous at first. Additionally, Lyla continues to impress me with her hard work in class, consistently producing work to a high standard and contributing in lessons. Well done Lyla, keep up the good work. ③

4W

Well done to all of 4W for another superb week! His week, our Pupil of the Week is Sophie Harris. Sophie is a joy to have in the classroom, she is such her worker who tackles all of her learning with enthusiasm and diligence. As result, she has produced some lovely pieces of work including an excellent biography on George Stephenson. Not only this, Sophie is an incredibly kind, polite and helpful member of the class as well a being a fantastic friend. Well done, Sophie.

4S

This week in 4S our Pupil of the Week is Nancy. Nancy has really stood out this week for her writing in English. She has written an amazing biography about George Stephenson with so much care. Her biography is full of wonderful vocabulary, parenthesis, and subordinating conjunctions. Nancy has also put so much effort into the presentation of her biography with wonderful illustrations and handwriting! Well done Nancy, keep up the amazing work!

5L

My 5L Pupil of the Week is Isabella Di Monaco for a wonderful week of learning! Isabella has shown fantastic perseverance during our maths learning this week, looking at rounding 5 and 6-digit numbers! She has also produced a wonderful persuasive letter as part of our writing unit linked to our class text 'Holes'. Her writing was filled with detail including parenthesis, colons and rhetorical questions - it was a pleasure to read! Well done for a great week, Isabella! (3)

5K

I have chosen Zac Orson for his fantastic attitude towards his learning this week. Zac has shown a growth mindset, he always tries his best and perseveres, I was very impressed with his efforts on the climbing wall- he just shot right up to the top! Well done Zac! (3)

6C

George Scott for the incredible efforts he has put into the start of Y6. He has worked hard in all his lessons and demonstrates a willingness to go into the learning pit along with a determination to put in the extra effort to improve his understanding. He is also diligent with his extra Y6 responsibilities around school. Keep up the super start to Year 6 George well done!

6E

axon Child is our pupil of the week this week. He has shown diligence and a conscientious attitude in all lessons as he quietly and assuredly gets on with all tasks with zero fuss. His attitude to work is always noticed (for the right reasons) and, as a result, sets a fine example to others. Well done, Jaxon. (3)

Dates for your diary

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)

Mon 3 Nov - school re-opens after half term

Thur 27 Nov – Year 2 trip to Armley Industrial Museum (information to follow)

Fri 28 Nov – Year 3&4 trip to St George's church Nativity (information to follow)

Attendance Reminder

Just a reminder that there is a form to complete if you wish to take your child out of school during term time. Please see the attached flyer for more information and please be mindful that we need at least 10 days notice in order to complete the statutory paperwork.

KS1 Harvest Festival Service at

Cookridge Holy Trinity C of E Primary School

Friday 3rd October 9.15am

We are expecting lots of families will want to join us in school for our Key Stage 1 Harvest Festival celebration. We want to welcome as many of you as possible, but are mindful of the space in the school hall so will be issuing tickets (no charge).



Please return this letter to your child's teacher if you are able/would like to attend - initially we can offer 2 tickets per family and then will evaluate the numbers for extras, so please indicate on the form if you would like to be considered for spare tickets. They will be issued as reply slips come into school. If you can avoid needing to bring pushchairs/prams, this would be appreciated, but we will aim to accommodate as many as we can.

Reception Phonics Evening

We are holding a phonics information evening for parents/carers to provide you with more information on how we teach phonics in Reception. This will be held on Thursday 9th October at 4.00pm

Outstanding Achievments



Well done to Frankie Hill (1RC), Archie Millbanks (1RC) and Lucas Lawrence (2J) who took part in a fun run last week on the John Charles track in Leeds - between them, they raised lots of money and ran 10 times around the 400m track! The money raised was for a charity called Charlottes rooms who raise money to make amazing spaces in hospital for families who are in Neuro Intensive Care. Congratulations all!

PTA Notices

Friday 17th October is our Autumn Spook and Sparkle Disco! Please see attached flyer for more information.

The link for booking tickets is:

www.ticketsource.co.uk/holy-trinity-school-pta





If you are able to volunteer on the night please follow the link below to sign up

https://signup.com/go/TVLBDVe

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.

