

Newsletter

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PRAYER

Father, thank you for the people who have been role models to me, and for their faithfulness to you. Thank you for the ways they have shown me your face. And thank you also for those who are role models to children all over the world. Those who champion, love, care for and encourage children, bringing them closer to you and your kingdom. Inspire and strengthen each of them.
Amen.

Message from the Headteacher

Our week started especially early with both our Choirs performing at the Chipping Norton Music Festival on Saturday morning. They sang beautifully and really enjoyed the experience. We have had some wonderful comments about how well behaved our children were, and how proud you were, as parents.

This week has been Multi-Faith week at Holy Trinity. Year 5 & 6 enjoyed talking to our Buddhist visitor, Srivati and finding all about the life of a Buddhist.

Years 3 & 4 had a super day at the Sri Guru Singh Sabha in Southall, the largest Gurdwara outside of India. More information is enclosed in the Newsletter.

Years 1 & 2 will be visiting Christ Church Cathedral in Oxford on Thursday, 23rd March.

Congratulations to Years 1 and 2 for their performances at the Chipping Norton Speech and Drama Festival on Tuesday. Year 2 received two distinctions for their poetry recital and Year 1 received two commendations.

These are obviously outstanding performances. They also received exceptional feedback from the judges. The children really enjoyed performing to an audience and thank you to all parents who attended.

I have been asked by Reception class staff to remind parents that children are not allowed on the Adventure Playground before or after school.

Lastly, our children always look very smart, but lately I have noticed some children wearing skinny jean trousers/jeggings. School uniform is either black or grey skirts, no shorter than just above the knee or black school trousers.

Thank you for your support.

'WELL DONE!' to the following pupils who received special awards this week:

Reception Class: Nola, Rory, Sophie

Year 1: Ava S, Isaac
Whole of Year 1 for Maths,

Year 2: Arthur, Jacob, Billy

Year 3: Abbie, Max,
Whole of Year 3 for Value

Year 4: Louise, Daniel
Whole of Year 4 for Value

Year 5: Mia-Jayne, Alexander,
Alex M

Year 6: Kiahn, Sophie, Caspar



Will you join us and help keep all children safe online?

O2 and the NSPCC have joined forces on a mission to help all children and their families in the UK stay safe online. Together, they're offering useful tools, support and guidance to help parents and carers have conversations with their children about their online lives.

Online safety workshops for parents

As part of this, they're running free **online safety workshops for parents and carers** and will be hosting one at **Holy Trinity School** at **2.00pm till 3.00pm** on **Thursday 16th March**.

We would like to invite all parents and carers to join. The hour-long workshop will help parents and carers understand their child's online world and build confidence to have those important conversations that can help keep children safe online.

Don't miss out on this great opportunity. RSVP by replying to this email.

Until then, if you need any support or guidance, check out our [website pages](#) and [step-by-step guides online](#), call the **O2 and NSPCC Online Safety Helpline** on **0808 800 5002**, or pop into your local O2 store for help from a Guru. Many thanks.



Let's keep kids safe online

New Prayer Garden

On Tuesday 7th March, the Junior Leadership Team helped the gardeners in our new prayer garden! With funding received from the Ernest Cook Trust, we bought bird boxes, one of them looks like a post box, hedgehog house, bug home, squirrel feeder, bird feeder and bird bath. At one of our meetings we found all these items on Amazon, using our ipads. Our team decided where to put them. We definitely picked some good locations.

Our new garden looks amazing. We have tepees (one big, one small) and a snake tunnel made from willow. In the garden there will also be vegetables, fruit and herbs.

Saffy (Year 6 JLT member) said we could make pizza or something nice using the herbs.

The gardeners have done an amazing job, and I can't wait until it is finished!

By Esme Year 5



COME ALONG TO BINGO!

Friday 31st May

(see attached poster)

Tickets will be sold on the night.

Raffle tickets will be on sale in advance.

Watch this space

Chipping Norton and District Cricket Club
Further information on the poster with this newsletter.

If your child would be interested in auditioning for the musical

'School of Rock' on the West End, please view the link below:

http://www.whatsonstage.com/london-theatre/news/open-auditions-school-of-rock-west-end_43075.html

YEAR ONE TEDDY BEAR PARTY

On Thursday, Mrs Nolan (Honour's mummy) very kindly came into school and taught the children a fantastic dance for a Teddy Bear Party. The children learned a routine to Justin Timberlake's 'I Got The Feeling'. They started learning some of the moves as a whole class, then practised their routines in two smaller groups. We then performed the dance twice; once to Reception and then again, as Mrs Woolley had missed it!

The children had an amazing time and we would like to say a massive THANKYOU to Mrs Nolan for giving up her time and sharing her expertise.



THE CHIPPING NORTON MUSIC FESTIVAL

KS1 and KS2 CHOIRS

On Saturday 4th March, the Key Stage One and Two Choirs took part in the Chipping Norton Music Festival's Junior Choirs' event. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to watch and listen to other school choirs performing and to have written and verbal feedback from a professional adjudicator. The adjudicator commented on their vibrant and rhythmic singing and their stylish delivery. A huge well done to both choirs!



SPEECH AND DRAMA CLASS

On Tuesday afternoon, KS1 children walked down to the Town Hall to take part in the Speech and Drama section of the Music Festival. All of the children had worked in groups of 15 to choose and recite a poem with actions. These were then performed on the Town Hall stage in front of an audience and a professional adjudicator. The adjudicator was really complementary about all our groups commenting upon how expressive the children were, how creative they had been with their movements and how well they used their voices to 'bring the poems to life'.

The Town Hall was full to the rafters and the children performed with huge confidence and commitment.

We came away having been awarded two distinctions and two highly commended certificates.

A big thank you to the Music Festival organisers for providing our children with this enriching opportunity each year.

WOODWIND INSTRUMENTS

We have so many talented musicians at Holy Trinity. We were delighted that so many were involved in the Chipping Norton Music Festival.

Below are some comments from children involved in the event:

Tallulah: I was very nervous with my duet. I did it with Esme. We played 'Jonny Todd'. (it was very good). We played it on the flute.

Caspar: I was very nervous, and as I walked up to the music stand my legs were trembling. Although, scary, playing my flute was extremely enjoyable and at the end I was feeling great.



Multi Faith Week

Buddhism Year 5 and 6

This week, we have been busy learning all about Buddhism as part of our Multi-Faith RE Curriculum. We looked at how Buddhism was founded and researched the life of Siddhartha Gautama (The Buddha). We explored the four noble truths of Buddhism, including the eight-fold path to enlightenment and investigated Buddhist symbolism and different artefacts, including the lotus flower and the three jewels.

On Wednesday, we had a Buddhist visitor come to join us for the day, called Srivati. She taught us about the daily life of a practising Buddhist. We took part in some mindfulness activities, including meditation, where we used singing bowls to help calm ourselves and empty our minds of any negative thoughts.

“It was a calming experience; I’m looking forward to doing some meditation at home because of this visit.” Freddie Y5

“We learned interesting facts about Buddhism. I really enjoyed the drama we did about how we can take care of living things around us.” Tilly Y5

It was a fun experience and I found it really relaxing to meditate and clear my mind.” Cheska Y6





Multi-Faith Week

Years 3 and 4 have been learning about Sikhism this week, culminating in a wonderful, informative trip:

We went to the Gurdwara temple in Southall, London. It was fun! We had a talk about Sikhism, and ate food in the Langar. They told us lots about their religion so we learnt more about it. I liked learning about the 5 Ks, my favourite was the Kirpan. *Albie*

I really want to go to the temple every day. It was so amazing. It made me feel safe. *William*

I loved all the detail they put into the Manji Sahib (where they keep the Guru Granth Sahib holy book). *Tom S.*

They were nice because they let us try their food, I thought it was really tasty. *Lucinda*

The Sikh guides were kind enough to give us a number of books about Sikhism. If you are interested in borrowing one, for example if your child has further questions you would like to answer, please ask the office.



DATES FOR THE SPRING TERM

Monday 13 th March	Multi-Faith sharing assembly
Tuesday 14 th March	Year 5 CNMF Workshop and singing at Chipping Norton School 2.15-5.45pm
Wednesday 15 th March	Year 1 at Dance Festival at the Chipping Norton Leisure Centre 1.15 - 2.45pm
Thursday 16 th March	NSPCC 'Speak Out Stay Safe' Assembly. Workshop for Years 5 & 6 Workshop for Parents 2-3pm (new)
Friday 17 th March	Years 3/4 trip to see the Classical Spectacular at the Royal Albert Hall - 'Wow Day'
Monday 20 th March	St Patrick's Day Assembly at 9.00am, Year 2 parents are invited
Thursday 23 rd March	Years 1 and 2 visit Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford
Friday 24 th March	Mother's Day Assembly at 9.00am, Reception Class parents are invited
	Comic Relief Non-Uniform Day
Saturday 25 th March	First Confessions for children taking their First Holy Communion this year at 10.30 am
Sunday 26 th March	Enrolment Mass for Confirmation children
Wednesday 29 th March	Year 1 Parents' meeting re Forest School at 2.40pm (new)
Thursday 30 th March	Second-hand school uniform sale (new)
Friday 31 st March	PTA Bingo Night in the school hall
Tuesday 4 th April	Years 3 and 4 Easter Production to parents at 6.00pm
Wednesday 5 th April	Father Tony to carry out Easter Reconciliation in school
	Year 2 and 3 at Schoolympics at Chipping Norton Leisure Centre (1.15 - 3.30pm)
Friday 7 th April	Easter Assembly in school Finish for Easter holidays at 12.30pm

Return to school on Monday 24th April

Monday 2 nd May	Everdon Residential Meeting for Year 4 parents
w/c 8 th May	Year 6 SATS commence
Monday 15 th May	Year 6 at IMPS visit, Horton Hospital
Friday 19 th May	May Procession at 2pm
Saturday 20 th May	School Fete - further details to follow
Tuesday 23 rd May	Year 6 at Cotswold Water Park - WOW Day
Thursday 25 th May	Whole School Photograph

HOLY TRINITY
PTA PRESENTS

EASTER

PRIZE

BINGO

& RAFFLE

FRIDAY 31ST MARCH 2017

DOORS OPEN 6.45^{PM} 🐰 EYES DOWN 7.30^{PM}

AT HOLY TRINITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

EVERYONE WELCOME



Chipping Norton & District Cricket Club

Registration Day for all

WE WANT YOU!

**Saturday 18th March
10-4pm**

**Banbury Road
Cricket Ground**

**Annual membership:
£35 a player for all ages
(siblings £20)
Friday evenings
6-7pm for 5-17 year olds boys and girls**

**Qualified and DBS registered coaches and staff
Contact our Youth Co-ordinator
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