

The Holy Trinity Times



Upcoming Events

04/03/2024 to 07/03/2024

Book Fair

05/03/2024

World Book Day -
dress in pyjamas

08/03/2024

HTSA Mother's Day Sale

13/03/2024

Year 3 - Parents' Learning Visit

20/03/2024

Year 4 - Parents' Learning Visit

25/03/2024 to 27/03/2024

Year 4 - Bikeability (Level 1)



Welcome to our February Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Despite the wet and windy weather February has been a positive month here at Holy Trinity, with lots of great learning taking place. The children have started their new Cornerstones topics for this half term which has included lots of great WOW moments including a Pirate Day for our Year 2s and a visit from the Freshwater Theatre group for our Year 3 Greek Topic Gods and Mortals .

We have continued to roll out our OPAL playtimes, although the weather has hampered some of our plans as our school field has become so wet and boggy. We hope to see more sunny dry days in March. We have new storage planned for all the OPAL equipment as well as a new PE shed. Once these are in place we will start to collect together the OPAL resources we need. This has taken longer than anticipated but once complete will mean we have great facilities for storing all the outdoor equipment.

A big thank you to the West End Tennis Club who have donated a lot of used balls for our children to use, these will add to our PE resources but will also be part of our OPAL provision and the Eco committee have plans to use them as mice houses too!

We have World Book day next week - our theme is bedtime stories with an emphasis on fairy stories, please note the children can come to school dressed in their pyjamas on the 5th. We would also love them all to enter the competition to create a fairy tale scene in a shoe box. See Parent mails from the English Team for more information.

Over the last week I have received information relating to a number of incidents taking place outside the school gates which has caused a great deal of distress to families in our school. These events involve a small number of adults who have demonstrated a distinct lack of community spirit. We have had parents being verbally abused by other parents, a member of staff's car being driven into and the driver driving off and most worryingly a child nearly being hit as a result of careless driving. At Holy Trinity we teach the children the importance of being kind and loving to all, whatever their race, sex or religion. We also talk about the importance of honesty and owning your mistakes in order to apologise for them, so we can maintain good healthy relationships. We all need to take responsibility for being good role models for the next generation. If you see any behaviour outside the school gates that is of concern please contact the police.

Mrs Ambrose

What is it like to walk and drive down

Benner Lane?



These are some of the things we see and hear about that are a cause for concern....

Cars mounting pavements, driving towards families and young children

People driving at speed along the road

People conducting three point turns outside the school at busy pick up and drop off times

People parking up and dropping off children at the crossing point where families are trying to cross

People parking on pavements making them unsafe to travel along

People parking on the yellow zig zag lines opposite school

People double parking next to the laybys outside school - this leads to near accidents as people overtake as others are crossing at the crossing point

People parking across neighbour's driveways or so close to other cars people can't get into their own vehicles

How can you help?

- Walk to school when you can
- Think carefully about where you park
- Report dangerous driving to the police
- Remember to use the voluntary one way system to help with traffic flow
- Contact local councillors with your concerns
- Consider being a Lollipop Crossing Patrol member or encourage a friend or someone in your family to take on this paid role
- Surrey County Council are consulting with all residents in Surrey regarding a new road safety strategy which aims to cut road collisions resulting in death or serious injury, to zero by 2050 - complete the consultation - separate letter re this is coming out to all parents.

HAVE YOUR SAY ON ROAD SAFETY IN SURREY

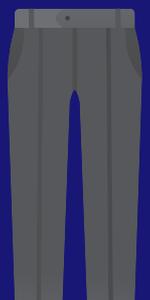
Please give us your views on our plans to reduce death and injury on Surrey's roads
<https://visionzerosurrey.commonplace.is>
by 24 March 2024

Working towards zero collisions on Surrey's roads.

Surrey RoadSafe

We Need Your Help...

We would love donations of uniform in Reception sizes, especially trousers, jogging bottoms, plimsols, grey socks and tights. We do not need jumpers or polo shirts.





Our February sporting moments ...

In sport news...

a group of Year 6s and Year 5s took part in an indoor Sportshall athletics event where we came 6th out of 11 schools. Everyone had to compete in a combination of events including sprinting, throwing and jumping. There was a superb atmosphere and everyone did exceptionally well.



Some of our Year 6 and Year 5 pupils took part in a Hockey Festival at Gordon's school this week. Two Holy Trinity teams took part and they both played incredibly well against 4 other schools. Our A team won the competition.



Our February WOW moments ...



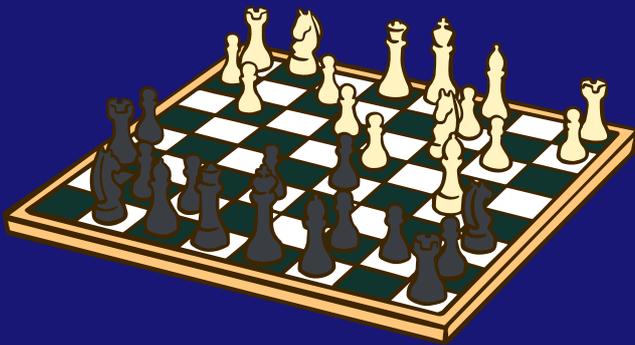
Year 5

Year 5 enjoyed a superb Tudor day at the Royal Grammar School, where they met the headmaster who showed them his incredible office which has a chained library in it with books dating back to the 1500's. They also learnt about what it was like to be a schoolboy in Tudor times, Tudor instruments, Tudor literacy, art and Tudor games.



Year 6 were lucky enough to be visited by an Artic Explorer, Alistair Cole, as part of their Frozen Kingdoms topic. They asked some great questions and were fascinated by all the details about travelling in the frozen North. The children particularly enjoyed getting to meet Nhala the husky.





We currently have a wide selection of clubs running after school. Chess club is a new addition this year and has proved to be really popular.

The school chess club hosted their first championship and the winner was Kabir! All students in the club took part and many matches were played.

The chess club school team were invited to play Crawley Ridge Junior school in a very closely fought match in which we won 19-16. All the children enjoyed themselves and really liked the opportunity to play against new players.

What do you think of our newsletter?

Does it contain the kind of information you find useful?

LET US KNOW IF WE CAN IMPROVE IT IN ANY WAY.