

Holy Trinity C.E. Primary School

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Holy Trinity News

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Each month we will be looking at different Christian values. The value for November is Compassion

Peter 3:8—Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble.



Awards

GOLDEN BOOK AWARDS

Year 1J	-	Beyonce	Sekou
Year 3	-	Bobby	Florence
		Isobel	
Year 4	-	Amelie	Oscar
Year 6	-	Danny	Grace
		Logan	Uto

ASK ME WHAT I DID POSTCARDS

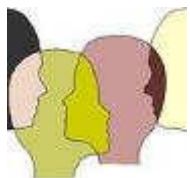
Nursery AM	-	Amiyah
Nursery PM	-	Jamie
Reception	-	Max
Year 1G	-	Maria
Year 1J	-	Charlie
Year 2	-	Tanyelle
Year 3	-	Louis
Year 4	-	Dion
Year 5	-	Ronnie
Year 6	-	Natalia

MERIT BADGES

Year 4 - Jessica Lucy

SILVER CERTIFICATES

Reception	-	Aniela	
Year 1G	-	Farah	Kristopher
Year 1J	-	Ela	Halle
		Jahmai	Logan
Year 2	-	Cerys	Leila
Year 3	-	Ada	Alessia
		Angelina	Callum
		Deborah	Freya
		Isobella	Leah
		Melis	Ruby
		Stella	Tom
Year 4	-	Amelia	Emre
		Jess	Rachel
		Raphaella	Rohat
Year 5	-	Savannah	
Year 6	-	Aishat	Alex S
		Cerys	Isla
		Lella	Leya
		Mathios	Natalia
		Seb	



LANGUAGE OF THE MONTH

Just to let you know that our Language of the Month for November is Polish. If you are able to help us in any way, please feel free to contact Mrs Kimani.



Hello - Cześć
Goodbye - Do widzenia

House Points

Congratulations to St Davids House for obtaining the most house points this week.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

As you are aware we are taking part in 'Operation Christmas Child' again this year. A form and letter giving further details was sent home before half term. We have already received some shoe boxes. However, please make sure that all shoe boxes are returned to the school office by **FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER**. Please also remember to stick the correct label on the outside, secure the box with a rubber band, enclose the form and to either enclose your payment, or donate online at www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk
Thank you.



SCHOOL MONIES

Can we please ask that **ALL** school lunches are paid for in advance, or at the end of the week. If your child attends breakfast or afterschool club can you please ensure that you pay either in advance or on the day that your child attends. Can you also please ensure that all money coming into the office is clearly marked with your child's name and class.
Thank you



AFTERSCHOOL CLUB CANCELLATION

Please note there will be NO After School Club on Friday 12th December, or Friday 19th December.
Thank you.

MYMATHS and MATHLETICS on iPad

We have been asked by a few parents if MyMaths or Mathletics works on tablets using Apple Software. We have contacted them both and have been given the following information:

MyMaths—parents will need to download 'puffin academy', which is a free educational browser. Using this browser search for MyMaths and your child should then have full access to all the facilities within MyMaths.



Mathletics—have an app within the App Store. Again just download the app and then your child will have full access to all the facilities within Mathletics.

BARNET LIBRARIES

We have been told about an online petition to save East Finchley and other Barnet libraries from closure. Further information about this campaign can be found on the petition website. Please have a look, as East Finchley library is a very valuable resource for everyone, adults as well as children.

<https://you.38degrees.org.uk/petitions/no-to-closure-of-barnet-libraries>

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

On Friday 24th October, in celebration of October Black History, we were lucky to be visited by a company called Batanai. We decided to focus on music as a whole school theme and the children created some outstanding homework.

When Batanai visited our school, the children, from Nursery - Year 6 participated in individual workshops, including activities such as; African story telling, drumming, dance, singing and chanting. At the end of the day the whole school came together and the children performed what they had learned, it was really moving to hear all the children singing 'Three Little Birds' together!



WORLD WAR ONE ASSEMBLY

2014 marks one hundred years since the outbreak of the First World War, On Friday, 14th November the whole school will be coming together for a special remembrance assembly to mark, commemorate and remember the lives of those who lived, fought and died in the First World War. If the children would like to share information about their own history or stories that have been shared amongst their families relating to experiences of the First World War, then please feel free to bring resources/information in, that you would be happy to share with others. We would really like to share some of these stories during our assembly.

NON UNIFORM DAY

Remember, next Friday 14th November we are having a mufti day at school. In return for not wearing their school uniform we ask that children bring in a donation for the tombola at the HTSA Christmas Fair as follows:

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CHURCH NEWS

AUTUMN FAIR

This Saturday sees Holy Trinity Church open their doors for the annual Autumn Fair from midday to 3pm at Holy Trinity Church in Church Lane. So please go along and support our church. Raffle tickets are available to buy from Paula (Luca Y2 and Harvey Y6)'s mum.



Children's News

November

Lo, To write about our visit from Archie Kimpton.

By Elke Year 4

Archie Kimpton came into yr 4 today to talk about a book that we are reading ✓ at the moment called Jumble Cat! He read ✓ a bit of the book with us. It was so fun! With our groups we had to make ✓ a jumbled up animal of our own. We made up an animal called Mango Head. It had a duck body, a giraffe neck, a pig tail, a elephant head and human legs. Then we had to make our own badies, mine was called Horror Die, he makes the blue sky turn in to a horrible thunder storm that rage around the villages but he is ✓ on his cloud cackeling! He talked about what inspired him to write Jumble Cat! He



GOVERNOR'S NEWS

MAINTENANCE PAYMENTS

This week you should have received a letter asking for your family's annual maintenance contribution. Even though the amount we have to pay to the LDBS has risen we have managed to keep the amount you pay the same.

Frequently asked questions:

Q. Why do we need to pay the Maintenance contribution?

The school is owned by the Church, not the Local Authority, and the Governors are responsible for the up-keep and insurance of the building, as well as all their other legal duties. ALL Church schools in the London Diocese (150 of them!) pay a fee per pupil into a central fund, so that all the Church's schools can be kept in good repair.

Q. What would happen if we didn't raise enough money to pay our dues?

The Governors would still be responsible for the payment. Failure to pay would mean no access to central funds and being last on the list for school improvement. Also, in recent years the funding we normally receive for building works has been cut by 80%, so it is even more important that everyone tries to contribute to the upkeep of our buildings. We're proud of how well the school is maintained, and we want to keep it that way!

Q. Does some of our money go to other schools then?

Clearly, yes, through the central fund. We are a family of 150 Church schools and we help each other; when we have major work to do, they help us!

Q. What have we had out of the fund?

This year the fund has been used to support the considerable remodelling of the school facilities arising from the 'bulge' class project. To remind you we built two extensions to form two new classrooms and rehouse the library, integrate Nursery into the main building, create a self-contained permanent home for breakfast and after school club and improve our outdoor provision. In previous years the money has been used to upgrade the infant toilet facilities, fit safety flooring on the hall and stairs, improve perimeter security, install an artificial grass play surface and enhance our audio-visual facilities in the school hall.

Q. Who decides what needs to be done in the school?

We have a twice yearly visit from the Diocesan Board to survey the building and a report is produced with all the next projects and repairs required. It is not up to the Head or Governors alone to decide.

Q. What is next on the list?

We need to continue to improve our kitchen facilities, to ensure the school continues to be well maintained and with an aging building make sure the building continues to be fit for purpose.

Q. Why should we do Gift Aid?

The Government lets us claim back tax because Church schools are registered as charities. This means we get extra for every donation, if you are a taxpayer.

Q. What if I can't afford to pay?

We know it is hard especially if you have several children, and we're happy to have a part donation rather than nothing at all.

Q. How much would we raise if *everyone* paid?

About £9,000, which would leave us with some money left over *after* we'd paid our bills. The Governors could then spend that extra on anything the school needed or wanted!

We hope this explains it all!

The Governors of Holy Trinity School

School Council News

A Visit from Local MP Mike Freer!

On Friday 7th November, the members of School Council were lucky enough to meet Mike Freer, local MP for Finchley and Golders Green. Mike spoke to our group about his role and answered a variety of questions from our school councillors, such as;

- What inspired you to become an MP?
- What was your favourite subject at school?
- How are you tackling pollution?
- Can we have trams in East Finchley?



Our School Councillors are:

- Year 1G - Cannon and Lucy
- Year 1J - Beyonce and Thomas
- Year 2 - Amy and Louis
- Year 3 - Florence and Louis
- Year 4 - Kimia and Oscar
- Year 5 - Maya and Tyrell
- Year 6 - Alex P and Sophia

Mike was very interested and impressed to hear about the great charity work each class has recently undertaken and the fantastic job that the School Councillors are currently doing to represent their classes and schools!

ATTENTION ALL NURSERY PARENTS:

Admissions for entry into school in September 2015

If your child was born between 1 September 2010 and 31 August 2011 you will need to apply to your home council for a place in a primary school for the 2015/2016 academic year. Updated guidance documents will be available later in the year.

- You should submit your application online using the eAdmissions website: <https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app>
- the application process opened online on **1 September 2014**
- the closing date for applications is **15 January 2015**
- you will be posted a letter on 16 April 2015 notifying you of the outcome (on line results will be available in the evening of 16 April).

If you are applying to Holy Trinity School using the religious criteria ONLY you will also need to fill in one of our supplementary forms which are available from the school office. Thank you

HTSA News

We hope you all had a great half term and are ready to enjoy the events we have planned during the lead up to Christmas.

Wine Tasting Evening

We begin with our Wine Tasting evening taking place on Friday 14th November. Tickets are now available to buy from your class reps and the school office at £10 each. We will need to know final numbers by Wednesday 12th November.



Christmas Fair

Thank you to everyone who attended Wednesday's meeting, plans for the Christmas Fair are well under-way with lots of fresh ideas and a couple of new stalls.



WANTED

ANY DONATIONS OF OLD OR NEW CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

We would like to decorate the fair as best we can so if you have any unwanted decorations please leave them at the school office.

We have already received fantastic support from parents and staff but we can never have too much help! Please let your class rep know if you would like to get involved.

Jarbola

If you haven't already done so, could you please bring in your filled Jars for the Jarbola. It's very popular amongst the children and it would be great to have enough jars for everyone.



The Giving Machine

We are delighted to announce that we have almost DOUBLED our earning potential on The Giving Machine in just one month! Huge thanks to everyone who has signed up!

Remember, it costs you nothing but the school will benefit especially during the Christmas season. Please visit our website at n2htsa.blogspot.co.uk for instructions on how to join.

We have also sold our first advert on the HTSA website! If you are a small business – child minder, driving instructor, gardener, anything! – and would like to advertise to the parent community at HTS, then please get in touch.



Keep in touch with your HTSA on Facebook Facebook/n2htsa and via our website n2htsa.blogspot.co.uk



Movember Highjack

Both Mr Ritson and Adam Scott will be taking part in our Movember Highjack! Please sponsor them and help raise money for the school, along with the Movember chosen charities.

And finally.....

HOLY TRINITY BAKE OFF CAKE SALE - WE HAVE NEW LEADERS

A HUGE WELL DONE TO Y2 FOR RAISING AN AMAZING £154.70!

NEXT TO TAKE ON THE CHALLENGE IS Y6 - 23rd JANUARY 2015



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Autumn Term 2014



Friday 14th November	Wine Tasting Evening	(P)
Saturday 29th November	HTSA Christmas Fair	(P)
Tuesday 9th December	Infant Nativity 10am	(P)
Wednesday 10th December	Infant Nativity 2pm	(P)
Wednesday 10th December	Year 4 Swimming Finishes	
Thursday 11th December	Infant Nativity 10am	(Grandparents)
Friday 12th December	Carol/Christingle 2pm @ HT Church	(P)
Tuesday 16th December	Junior Performance 10am	(Grandparents)
Tuesday 16th December	Junior Performance 6pm	(P)
Wednesday 17th December	Junior Performance 6pm	(P)
Thursday 18th December	Infant Christmas Party 1:30pm	
Friday 19th December	Junior Christmas Party 10:00am	
Friday 19th December	END OF TERM 2PM	

(P) = Parents welcome

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Date	Time	Event
Saturday 8th November	12:00pm-3:00pm	Autumn Fair
Sunday 9th November	10:00am	Remembrance Sunday
Saturday 29th November	11:00am-1:00pm	Church Cleaning Event
Sunday 30th November	10:00am	Advent Sunday
Friday 12th December	2:00pm	Holy Trinity School Carol/Christingle Service
Sunday 21st December	5:00pm	Carol Service
Wednesday 24th December	4:00pm	Nativity Play and Blessing of the Crib
Wednesday 24th December	11:30pm	Midnight Mass

TERM DATES 2014-2015

TERM	DATES
Autumn Term 2014	
First Half:	Thursday 4th September—Friday 24th October
Half Term:	Monday 27th October—Friday 31st October
Second Half:	Monday 3rd November—Friday 19th December
Spring Term 2015	
First Half:	Monday 5th January—Friday 13th February
Half Term:	Monday 16th February—Friday 20th February
Second Half:	Monday 23rd February—Friday 27th March
Summer Term 2015	
First Half:	Monday 13th April—Friday 22nd May
May Day:	Monday 4th May
Half Term:	Monday 25th May—Friday 29th May
Second Half:	Monday 1st June—Thursday 23rd July
INSET DAYS:	Thursday 4th September 2014
	Friday 5th September 2014
	Monday 5th January 2015
	Monday 23rd February 2015
	Monday 1st June 2015



Mufti Day - Friday 14th November 2014

Dear Parents/Carers

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The Christmas Fair is on Saturday 29th November, from 12 noon to 2.30pm. All offers of help would be warmly welcomed - **we can never have too much help!** We would also be grateful for any donations of toys, games and puzzles in good condition. Toys can be left at the school office for the attention of HTSA (**after 1/2 term**)

Thank you for your support.



THE HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION



CHRISTMAS FAIR

As well as Mufti Day donations, please consider offering help for the following (tick as appropriate) :

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|--|--------------------------|
| I will provide a cake (or similar) to be sold at the Christmas Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I will provide a food dish to be sold at the Christmas Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I can help on the day, eg: setting up stalls, tidy up after, run a stall etc | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Name: _____ Contact phone no: _____

Childs Name: _____ Year _____

Please hand completed slips to your class representatives or the school office.

