

The Holy Trinity Times



Welcome to our February newsletter

Dear Parents,

February has been a busy month here at Holy Trinity. Some of our WOW moments have included the Year 5 visit to Guildford Grammar school for the start of their Tudor topic and Years 3 and 6 enjoyed using VR headsets to explore and experience the Stone Age and Antarctica respectively. These Wow moments are included in our curriculum to inspire our pupils to find out more and be inquisitive learners, we certainly see the impact of them in our class lessons, I wonder if you do at home?

It was so good to have Parents Evening back on site and face to face. Thank you for all the time and effort you put into supporting your children at home, it really does make a difference to their progress. Reading is an area where you can really impact on your child's development. Just five to ten minutes a day of one to one time can really make a huge difference to their confidence and skill level. We currently have 3 volunteers from the Schoolreaders charity who come in on a regular basis as well as a few parents from different year groups across the school. We are very grateful for the time they give up to support our pupils. We would still love to have more reading helpers in school, if you think you or someone in your family would be able to give up some time to help please let the office know.

We are aware that Benner Lane continues to be a busy place at school drop off and pick up times. We have heard from the council that there will be changes to Benner Lane that we hope will help, this will include a raised crossing point and changes to the lay-by signage. These changes should take place over the course of the next year. We are continuing to try and recruit a school crossing patrol as well as asking for volunteers to help run a school walking bus. If you think you could help please let us know. On some days the weather is getting warmer, please walk when you can to help all of us make Benner Lane a safer place to be at busy times.

It has been great to welcome Ms McLachlan back from her maternity and I know she is enjoying being part of the Year 3 team. Miss Lomax has had her baby, a boy safely delivered at the start of half term, she timed it beautifully! We wish her and her family lots of happy times with baby Fred.

Mrs Ambrose

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Upcoming dates:

27/02/2023 to 02/03/2023

Book Fair

01/03/2023

World Book Day

06/03/2023

Year 2 - Pirate Day

09/03/2023

Reception - Visit from Fire
Service

10/03/2023

HTSA donations - Mother's Day
Sale

13/03/2023 to 17/03/2023

Science Week

17/03/2023

Red Nose Day
Mother's Day Sale (in school)

24/03/2023

Pause Day

29/03/2023

Year 4 Parents' Learning Visit
(3.15 pm to 4 pm)

30/03/2023

HTSA Cake Sale
Year 1 and 2 - Parents' Learning
Visit
(3.15 pm to 4 pm)

31/03/2023

End of Term (1.30 pm)

03/04/2023 to 14/04/2023

Easter Holiday

17/04/2023

INSET Day - School is Closed

18/04/2023

Start of Term

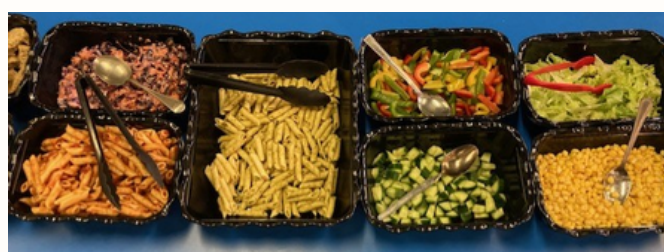
School
Meals

Twelve15

We are so fortunate to have a brilliant catering team on site who are always keen to improve their service. This week the children are being given a chance to have a say in what they like about the school meals and what they think could be better. Their feedback will be shared with the Twelve15 catering team and we will then let the children know the changes that will be made in response to their suggestions. The new salad bar has proved very popular and our school dinner hall looks more and more like a lovely cafe every lunchtime!



Please note with the ongoing exceptional circumstances driving food prices up, and the rise in the Real Living Wage, effective April 2023, Twelve15 are having to increase their meal prices. So Key Stage 2 meals will increase from £2.60 to £2.70, this will be effective from April 2023.



Some of our February WOW moments...



WOW!

Reception wow moments....

Reception have been busy learning all about Babies this term. As part of their topic, they visited Holy Trinity Church in the village to learn about Baptism with Reverend Fiona. Children acted out being the parents and godparents to our baby doll as Reverend Fiona showed them how babies are welcomed into the Christian Faith. We also had visits from 3 younger siblings who all came in to have their baths in Reception, much to our pupils' delight and fascination. We talked about the things that the Reception children can do now that these babies couldn't yet do such as dress themselves, eat solid food and talk. Other fun activities have included trying to guess each other's baby photos, including those of the staff, bathing our dolls and playing in the baby clinic role play.



B A B Y

Year 5 have enjoyed an amazing trip to Royal Grammar School in Guildford, as part of their outreach. We saw the Headmaster's office with its Tudor chain library, learnt about Tudor music and dance, had an art lesson in the style of Hans Holbein, found out about heraldry and finally put a PowerPoint of our day together in their ICT suite.



A group of Year 5 and 6 children represented Holy Trinity at the Surrey Sportshall event in Guildford where we came 4th out of 10 participating schools. We took part in a variety of indoor athletic events including throwing, jumping and running.



4th



Book Week at Holy Trinity!



Our Reading Ambassadors do a great job of promoting books and reading at our school. This week is a busy one for them as we have a book fair in school all week and we are celebrating World Book Day tomorrow, Wednesday 1st March. This morning the ambassadors led our Worship time and gave us some really great messages...

Books spark your imagination and help make you a better writer.

Non-fiction books can help us explore the wonders of the world and learn new skills.

Books can take us on an adventure without leaving the comfort of our homes!

Books can transport us to different places and times.

There are a number of activities taking place this week including designing a book cover or a video book trailer on iMovie, there is still time to enter and there are prizes to be won! We also have author Paul Coomey visiting and of course our book fair is open every day after school so please come and take a look, all money raised will be spent on new books for school. Don't forget tomorrow is World Book Day and the children can come to school as a hero or villain from a book or real life.



Our School Reading Ambassadors

