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Our Guiding Light

Jesus said

"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my Disciples, if you have love for one another. (John 13-34-35)

KEY INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK

Open Evening:

As you may be aware, on Wednesday we held our annual Open Evening for prospective parents. We were delighted that so many came along expressing an interest in our school. All but a handful of Year 5 and Year 6 students stayed behind to act as tour guides and school ambassadors; they did a superb job speaking confidently and passionately about their school and the pride they have in it. We couldn't have been prouder of them.

Drawing on our Vision:

Perhaps inspired by the words of two of our Year 6 students who shared their Open Evening speeches with everyone earlier in the week, on Wednesday I was presented with a poster that a child in Year 4 had put together in her own time. It reads:

*This school is a school where everyone is welcome, big and small.
We help each other no matter how hard something is and always keep an eye out on other people.
We support people despite the difficulties they are having. They always find the positive side of it.
That is the school we are.*

It is always inspiring to hear how deep our vision is felt and how the work we do in school has such a positive impact on the children.

Maths and Computing Week:

We do hope that your child has spoken positively about all the activities that they've been involved in during our Maths and Computing Week. As well as enjoying workshops delivered by 'Brickies' and 'The Maths Puzzle Company' they seem to have had fun exploring the theme of the week, 'The Power of 3', in a range of other tasks. We were delighted that Mr Cuin-Wood was able to join us again and thrilled that we were part of a growing number of children who signed up to Maths Week England. Times Table Rock Stars received plenty of time allocation after we signed up to their competition 'England Rocks' and we've used the week to revisit rules about being safe online using a range of resources. Altogether it's been a hugely successful few days.

Thank you for helping us end the week supporting Children in Need. The children looked great with their 3 themed embellishments to their uniform and together we have raised £231.16. We used the opportunity to discuss differences plus the importance of looking after ourselves and others tying this work in with National Anti-Bullying Week which has run concurrently.

Sporting News:

The week began with a selection of girls from Year 6 taking part in a girls' football tournament against other schools locally at Braywick Leisure Centre. They played a total of seven games with mixed success but never once did their determination, energy and enthusiasm wane. The school's A team was back in action yesterday in a game here against Braywick Court who were incredibly strong and left with a 5-0 win against us. Our squad, however, are still determined to work hard in the hope of success next time.

Swimming:

If you have a child in Year 3, I hope that you have seen my email about the need for your child to bring pyjamas or other loose clothes to swim in on Tuesday and the Tuesday after. It's also helpful to send them in wearing their coat on a swimming day as it's rather cold when they come out from the warmth of the leisure centre.

Christmas Cards:

On Tuesday you were sent an email with details on how to order the Christmas card your child has designed as part of this year's PTA 'My Child's Art' project. 20% of purchases is returned to our PTA to help fund projects which will directly impact your child so do get ordering! Simply go to www.mychildsart.co.uk, following the instructions using our unique school code and confirming your child's name.

Username: HolyTrinity3

Password: vQKkBA7d

The next PTA fundraising event is the quiz next Friday (24th November). I hope to see you there. Please see the flyer sent today for details.

PTA Nativity Costumes:

At the moment our PTA are coordinating a project to recycle pre-used Nativity costumes. If you have any to donate, please place them in the wheelie bin at the front of school. Thank you

Cut Your Carbon:

For the rest of this month, our newly formed Eco-Council are asking for everyone's support in completing 9 small carbon-cutting actions at home and at school with the help of family and friends. The children learnt about this campaign in assembly this week and have brought home a checklist outlining the simple easy-to-deliver actions. They are required to tick them off throughout the rest of the month. Do ask them about it and encourage them to get involved. The tick list and instructions have been attached today.

Threadworm:

Please refer to the emails which have been sent to you this week about this matter. While we have in school spoken to the children about the importance of washing hands and how to do it properly, we would appreciate your support in reinforcing this message at home on a regular basis.

Clubs:

For details of clubs running next term, please refer to last week's newsletter: [Newsletter 3 11 23 draft.pdf \(holyltrinitysch.co.uk\)](#) .

School Lunches:

This week we have noticed that fewer children have arrived at the serving hatch without a lunch order. However, some notably in KS1 have. If you have a child in EYFS, Y1 or Y2, for whom lunches are free, you are still required to place an order at least 24 hours in advance. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Ordering Photographs:

The deadline for free delivery to school is 3rd December. You can still order after this date for delivery to your home address but a postage fee will incur. For details of how to do this, please refer to the leaflet containing a QR code which was given to your child last week.

Enjoy your weekend and we shall look forward to seeing you and the children on Monday.

Anna Smith

CALENDAR DATES

20 th November	Y3 Trip to Chiltern Open Air Museum
21 st November	Y3/4 (am) & Y5/6 (pm) Sportshall Athletics Competition – selected children informed by letter
22 nd November	A team netball match v Cookham Dean (away) - selected children informed by letter
23 rd November	A Team Football match v Riverside (away) - selected children informed by letter
24 th November	PTA Quiz Night (see flyer)
27 th November	Y1 Trip to Windsor Castle
27 th November	A team football match vs Furze Platt Junior (away), selected children informed by letter
30 th November	B team football match vs Furze Platt Junior (home), selected children informed by letter
3 rd December	Cookham Christmas Street Fair
4 th December	B team football match v Waltham St Lawrence (home) - selected children informed by letter
5 th December	EYFS & KS1 Nativity Performance 2pm
6 th December	Rock Steady Concert
6 th December	EYFS & KS1 Nativity Performance 6pm
7 th December	A and B Team Football Matches v Courthouse (away)
8 th December	Y6 Trip to Bletchley Park
12 th December	Y5 Trip to Harry Potter Studios
13 th December	Christmas Service in Holy Trinity Church
13 th December	Christmas Lunch
14 th December	EYFS trip to Norden Farm (am) & KS1 Trip to Windsor Theatre's Pantomime (pm)
14 th December	PTA Carols in the Courtyard
15 th December	End of Term – Christmas break begins (normal finish time: 3:15pm)
18 th December – 2 nd Jan	Christmas Holiday
3 rd January	Start of Spring Term
9 th February	Term ends for half term break (normal finish time: 3:15pm)
12 th – 16 th February	Half Term break
19 th February	Term starts
24 th February	PTA Ball at Odney – save the date!
4 th – 8 th March	Book week
5 th March	Virtual Parent Consultations
7 th March	Virtual Parent Consultations
28 th March	End of Term – Easter break begins (normal finish time: 3:15pm)
29 th March - 12 th April	Easter Holiday
15 th April	Start of Summer Term
13 th – 16 th May	KS2 SATs
24 th May	Term ends for half term break (normal finish time: 3:15pm)
27 th – 31 st May	Half Term break
3 rd June	Term starts
10 th – 14 th June	Arts and Culture Week
24 th – 28 th June	Y6 Residential Trip
24 th – 4 th July	Sports Week
5 th July	Sports Day
6 th July	HT Fest
19 th July	End of Term – Summer Holiday begins (normal finish time: 3:15pm)