



#### 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

Thank you for taking the time to visit your child's classroom, see their books and speak informally with staff this week. We hope you enjoyed the opportunity to do this.

### Success in Sport:

Yesterday our Year 4 children excelled at the Ascot and Maidenhead School Sport Partnership's Primary Dance Festival. This is an annual event celebrating dance with over 750 pupils taking part in 28 performances from 20 primary schools across two days. This time, for the second year running, it was held at Braywick Leisure Centre. The theme this time was 'Kings and Queens' and Teals chose to represent this through an extremely powerful performance reflecting succession struggles. They represented the school superbly and made us all proud. One of our Y6 pupils, Holly Schumacher, also performed over the two days as part of Jane Douglass' Primary Dance Company. Dancers from only 7 schools make up this company so we were thrilled that Holly was there representing Holy Trinity!

Earlier in the week our netball team faced Braywick School in a home match. They were thrilled with a final score of 21-0. They were back in action again yesterday when they travelled to Courthouse Primary School. Our Year 5 team secured a 9-4 win and Year 6 ended the game 18-9 up. Congratulations team!

### Book Week – 27<sup>th</sup> February to 3<sup>rd</sup> March:

I hope you saw details about our Book Week in last Friday's newsletter. Added to the list of authors visiting the children is now another; Aimee McGoldrick, author of 'A Different Kind of Princess', will also be in school on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February. There will be an opportunity to purchase her book after school. Books by author Chris White, who will be here on Wednesday, can be purchased online. See the leaflet sent out today for details. Chantal who runs the Little Bookshop in the village has offered a 10% discount on book purchases which expires at 4pm on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. To take advantage of this offer go to: <https://www.thelittlebookshop.info/pages/holy-trinity-wbd-2023> and use the code: HTSWBD2023

The PTA will be holding a second-hand book sale on World Book Day so to make this a success you are invited to drop off any books in good condition that your child no longer wants. Collections will be happening before and after school on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February. Do refer to the flyer for more details.

In addition, every class will have an opportunity to visit 'The Little Bookshop' in the village. We are incredibly grateful to Chantal who has made this possible for us. The days when each class will be visiting her are as follows:

### Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February:

9:15 – 10:00am	Year 6
10:15 – 11:00am	Year 4
11:15 – 12:00 noon	Year 5
1:30 – 2:15pm	Year 3
2:15 – 3:00pm	Year 2

### Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March:

1:30 – 2:20pm	Year 1
2:30 – 3:15pm	EYFS (pupils should be collected from The Little Bookshop on this day unless they are attending a club in which case they will be walked back to school)

When your child visits the bookshop, they can bring their World Book Token, which they will have received by then, to spend and/or some money. We would be grateful for any help you can give in walking the children there and back. Do let your child's class teacher know if you are available.

We will end the week with a dress-up day when children will be invited to come to school as a book character so we hope that the half term break gives you plenty of time to help your child make decisions about this.

**Extra-Curricular activities and details of providers offering provision next term:**

Club	Year Group	Day/Time	Contact Details	Arrangements for drop-off/pick-up
Early Bird Club	All	Start time 8am each day of the week	No requirement to book, simply drop off anytime between 8am and 8:45pm. Payment should be made through your ScoPay account	Arrive through the back door of the hall
After School Provision	All	From 3:15pm	Book directly: <a href="mailto:holytrinity@wraparoundcare4u.com">holytrinity@wraparoundcare4u.com</a>	See WrapAroundCare4U for details, sent out via email
Spanish Club	Year 5 & 6	Monday before school at 8:20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 <a href="mailto:francesca@the-pows.co.uk">francesca@the-pows.co.uk</a>	Arrive through the back door of the hall
iPro Football	KS2 boys	Monday lunchtime	Book directly: Office 07908 172175 Email: <a href="mailto:office@iprofootballcoaching.co.uk">office@iprofootballcoaching.co.uk</a>	Pupils in Y3, 4 & 6 will be in school PE kit, Y5 should bring their school PE kit to change into
Playball	EYFS	Monday, finish time: 4:15pm	Book online: <a href="http://www.playballkids.com/f/southbucks">http://www.playballkids.com/f/southbucks</a>	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Junior Choir	Years 3 & 4	Tuesday before school, start time: 8am ALL WELCOME	All welcome, simply come along <a href="mailto:larainebrownbda@gmail.com">larainebrownbda@gmail.com</a>	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Netball	Years 5 & 6	Tuesday before school, start time: 8am	Netball trails now complete – selected children informed	Arrive through the back door of the hall (start date 10.1.23)
Spanish Club	Year 2	Tuesday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow 07939 045722 <a href="mailto:francesca@the-pows.co.uk">francesca@the-pows.co.uk</a>	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Football Club	Years 4, 5 & 6 Girls	Tuesday, finish time: 4:30pm	Girls from Y4, 5 & 6 welcome	Collect from the back gate (start date: 10.1.23, please refer to letter)
Knitting Club	Year 6	Tuesday lunchtime BRING NEEDLES & WOOL	All welcome, simply come along	N/A (start date 10.1.23)
Little Samurai	EYFS, Y1 & Y2	Tuesday, finish time: 4pm	Book directly: 07828 534817 <a href="http://www.SamuraiKickboxing.com">www.SamuraiKickboxing.com</a> <a href="mailto:info@SamuraiKickboxing.com">info@SamuraiKickboxing.com</a>	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Rock Steady	EYFS – Y6	Wednesday morning	Book directly: 0330 113 0330 Rocksteadymusicschool.com	N/A lessons take place during the school day
Spanish Club	Year 1	Wednesday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 <a href="mailto:francesca@the-pows.co.uk">francesca@the-pows.co.uk</a>	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Spanish Club	Year 3	Wednesday after school, finish time 3:50pm	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 <a href="mailto:francesca@the-pows.co.uk">francesca@the-pows.co.uk</a>	Collect from the front entrance of school
Playball	Year 1	Wednesday, finish time: 4:15pm	Book online: <a href="http://www.playballkids.com/f/southbucks">http://www.playballkids.com/f/southbucks</a>	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Senior Choir	Years 5 & 6	Thursday before school, start time: 8am ALL WELCOME	All welcome, simply come along <a href="mailto:larainebrownbda@gmail.com">larainebrownbda@gmail.com</a>	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Young Samurai	Years 3 - 6	Thursday after school, finish time: 4:15pm	Book directly: 07828 534817 <a href="http://www.SamuraiKickboxing.com">www.SamuraiKickboxing.com</a> <a href="mailto:info@SamuraiKickboxing.com">info@SamuraiKickboxing.com</a>	Collect from the back door of the school hall
			Book a FREE TRIAL in the following after school classes: <b>Tuesdays - Little Samurai (age 4 - Year 2) 3.15pm - 4pm</b> <b>Thursdays - Young Samurai (Years 3-6) 3.30pm - 4.15pm</b>	
Spanish Club	Year 4	Friday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 <a href="mailto:francesca@the-pows.co.uk">francesca@the-pows.co.uk</a>	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Sewing Club	Year 2 – 6	Friday after school, finish time: 4:30pm	Book directly: 07782 253565 <a href="mailto:anita@dhaaga-sewing.co.uk">anita@dhaaga-sewing.co.uk</a>	Collect from the front entrance of school
iPro Football	Years 1 - 6	Friday after school, finish time: 4:30pm	Book directly: Office 07908 172175 Email: <a href="mailto:office@iprofootballcoaching.co.uk">office@iprofootballcoaching.co.uk</a>	Collect from the back gate
Maestro Music Lessons	EYFS – Y6	Various days during the week	Book directly: <a href="mailto:lornarennie@berkshiremaestros.org.uk">lornarennie@berkshiremaestros.org.uk</a>	Times of lessons determined by Maestros

### Girlguiding Thinking Day:

The 22<sup>nd</sup> February is a very special day in the Girlguiding calendar as it marks the birthday of the organisation's founders, Lady Olave Baden Powell, and her husband, Sir Robert Baden Powell. This year Rainbows, Brownies or Guides are invited to wear their Girlguiding uniform to Holy Trinity on this day to help them think of the thousands of girls around the world who are also part of the organisation.

### Cookham Footprint:

Cookham Footprint will be holding an event in the Community Room at the library in the village on Saturday 25th February. This follows the successful of their Winter Coat Clothes Bank initiative held in November. This time the team are focusing on Freecycling, encouraging families to donate unwanted gifts, toys, homeware etc. which others can pick up at no cost. For more details, refer to the flyer.

### Junior Bake-Off Auditions:

This week we were contacted by the Junior Bake-Off team from Love Productions informing us that applications for the 9<sup>th</sup> series of **Junior Bake Off**, a Channel 4 programme that celebrates the culinary talent and ambition of the younger generation in Britain, are now open. The team are looking for young budding bakers between **9-12 years old** to take part. Filming would take place from July 2023, but **applications close on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023**. Interested bakers can apply online at - [www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk](http://www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk)

### Plea:

Please see the message below from local parent Esme Howarth who is seeking ways of promoting business in our community and has asked me to draw attention to her campaign.

*'Now is the time to support local businesses. Shop local, Save our community!*

*With the effects of covid and the financial crisis, we have changed our habits regarding shopping. It's too easy to buy online and have our shopping delivered. The problem is, that our favourite local shops are losing business and their rates are increasing (just like everyone else's). Sadly, these shops which are the backbone of our community won't survive unless we actually go in and buy something on a regular basis. You don't need to spend much, just a little. If the majority of people in Cookham did this, our local businesses would be thriving. If we lose local businesses, we will lose the opportunity to put money back into the community, local jobs, the heart and soul of our village, friendly customer service, bespoke local produce and most importantly the village we love.'*

Finally, last week in the newsletter I wrote about a visit from two mums who spoke to the children in Cygnet Class. They were wrongly referred to as nurses rather than paediatric doctors, a mistake brought to my attention by another parent. I am sincerely sorry for the error.

Have a lovely half term break and we shall all look forward to seeing you and the children a week on Monday.

Anna Smith

## CALENDAR DATES

Please continue to refer to this section in our newsletter during the course of the term to keep ahead of what is happening in school. Dates will be posted on a regular basis.

13 <sup>th</sup> February	Half term
20 <sup>th</sup> February	Start of term
22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Girlguiding Thinking Day (Rainbows, Brownies and Guides invited to wear their Girlguiding uniform to school)
24 <sup>th</sup> February	PTA school disco (details to follow)
27 <sup>th</sup> February	Start of Book Week
1 <sup>st</sup> March	PTA Zoom meeting (details to follow)
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Book Week Dress-Up Day
7 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations (details to follow)
9 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations (details to follow)
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day (details to be confirmed)
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Frimley Paediatric Respiratory Nursing Team in school 9:15am
27 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Quiz Night (details to follow)
30 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Service tbc



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