



## KEY INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK

### Arts and Culture Week:

Thank you again for being part of last Friday's Arts and Culture Week event and for the lovely emails some of you sent in afterwards. It was kind of you to write and we were thrilled to hear how much you enjoyed the children's performances. The next event you are invited to is Sports Day on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July but before then there are lots of other things for the children to enjoy, some of which took place this week.

### Eco-Council News:

On Monday lunchtime our Eco-Council met to review the progress we have made towards reaching the goals we set ourselves. To ensure that everyone keeps focused, the winning posters from their competition will be up and around school soon reminding us all of some important key messages.

### School Photographs:

The children enjoyed having class photos taken on Monday. Please see the QR code sent out to you today which will enable you to see the photos and decide if you wish to make a purchase. Our Year 6 children also had individual and group photos taken as a keepsake of their time at Holy Trinity. These are also on sale.

### Primary Challenge Day:

On Tuesday five children from Year 5 spent the day at Borlase Grammar School working with Year 12 students who set them a series of challenges testing their skills in maths, English, science and dance. Certificates were presented and everyone left proud of the contribution they had made.

### Visiting Braywick Park Nature Reserve:

On Tuesday our Reception children enjoyed a day out at Braywick Park Nature Reserve. They went on a mini-beast safari, walked in the sky with mirrors, did some pond dipping and made smelly cocktails using wild flowers. It was a beautiful day to enjoy the outdoors.

### Working with Wild Cookham:

On Wednesday it was also pond dipping for Year 4 but they didn't have too far to go. Armed with nets and buckets, they enjoyed time in our wildlife area with the team from Wild Cookham. They found lots of fascinating creatures including a newt! The area is teeming with wildlife.

### Arthur Burgin Science Award:

In honour of Arthur Burgin, a long-standing Chair of Governors at Holy Trinity, Year 6 have been working exceptionally hard on science projects which they have designed and carried out independently at home. On Wednesday they displayed the work they had done in the hall where they also set up their experiments for their parents and Year 5 to see. The exhibition was impressive. Mr Redjeb now has the hard job of deciding whose name will go on the Arthur Burgin shield in recognition of their skills in the subject.

### Speak Out, Stay Safe:

Using NSPCC resources, this week Miss Law has delivered assemblies to KS1 and KS2. Her aim was to help children understand abuse in all its forms, including bullying. The sessions covered topics including how to recognise the signs of abuse; how to protect ourselves from all forms of abuse and to make children aware of where to get help and the sources of help available to them, including Childline. This is an important part of the work we do in PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education).

### Y5/6 MIXED (Open) Dynamos Cricket Competition:

Yesterday selected children from Year 6 spent the day at Pinkneys Green Cricket Club with a number of other teams competing in a kwik cricket competition. It was exceptionally hot but they braved the weather and fought hard in a bid to bag themselves a spot in the Berkshire Youth Games next term. After winning all four of their matches with some exceptional play, I am thrilled to inform you that our team came joint first with Furze Platt Junior School and were awarded gold medals. The team will be heading off to Reading Cricket Club to compete at a country level on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July. What a result!

**Open the Book Assembly:**

We were delighted to welcome back John and Lisa from the Open the Book Team yesterday afternoon. In an assembly which everyone took part in, they told the story of Abraham. The team will be back next year to share more stories from the Bible.

**Might Maths Competition:**

After school on Thursday three children from Year 2, Sophie Neal, Joseph Birkby and Jamie Montanari headed off to Waltham St. Lawrence Primary School to take part in a maths competition organised by the Rotary Club of Maidenhead. They worked exceptionally hard and were delighted to be declared winners. They left with an enormous trophy on which our school name will be engraved.

**Celebrating With Partners for Change Ethiopia:**

We finished the day today presenting representatives from the charity Partners for Change Ethiopia with a cheque for £1302.61. You will recall that during Lent each class organised a fund raising event. Together we raised an extraordinary amount of money which has meant that a breakfast club has now been set up in Tibase M School feeding over sixty children each day. We are delighted to have made such a difference to the lives of children who so desperately need our help.

To find out more about the charity, go to: [PFC Ethiopia – Partners for Change Ethiopia Website](#)

**Year 6 Residential Trip – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June:**

Year 6 are very excited to be heading off to CRS Adventures down in Devon on Monday. Everything is now packed so all we need is for everyone to be at school for 7:30am on Monday so we can load up the coach and set off for a week's adventure exploring caves, balancing on high ropes and avoid capsizing on the boating lake! The weather is looking good so we're sure to have a wonderful time.

**Transition Days:**

You will have seen in last week's newsletter that while Year 6 are away, the rest of the school will experience two transition days on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June and Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June. On these days, all the children should arrive in the morning at the back gate ready to walk round to their new classroom. This will be a new experience for those children currently in Reception, but staff will be on hand to guide them. At the end of each of our two transition days, you will collect your child from their new classroom, again with staff on the gate to direct you.

Our new Reception intake will also be in. If you have a child starting in Reception in September, next week you will receive a welcome pack. In it there are a number of important forms that we require you to fill out and return to school the following day. Thank you for your support in doing this.

Next year there are some staffing changes. Please refer to the letter you have been sent today to find out more about this.

**Sports Fortnight:**

To coincide with the Year 6 residential trip and our transition days, a fortnight of sport begins. This will culminate with Sports Day on 4<sup>th</sup> July but between then and now there are a number of visitors coming into school to work with the children on a range of sporting activities. Several will be in next week so your child is invited to come to school every day wearing their school sports kit. Please ensure they are looking smart ready to impress our guests. Sunscreen, and, to an extent hats and shades are essential. It sure to be a wonderful week with some lovely experiences for the children.

**Junior Music Festival:**

Having rehearsed incredibly hard, Year 3 are now ready to perform at The Hexagon with schools from across the country in the Junior Music Festival's concert, 'A Night at the Movies'. They will be spending the day there on Thursday before the concert in the evening. I am sure you will join me in wishing them well for the event which promises to be magnificent. If you are going along, enjoy!

**Parent Governor Elections:**

Thank you very much to those of you who took the time to vote in our parent governor election. The ballot closed at the beginning of the week and before sharing the result, I would like to thank the two candidates who stood for election. Their commitment to our school and their willingness to work hard to drive our vision is enormously appreciated.

You have voted in Mrs Winrow-Davies who will take up post from September.

**National Thank a Teacher Day cards:**

Finally, on behalf of all the staff, thank you for the many messages of thanks we received from children right across the school. We were touched and are hugely appreciative.

Enjoy your weekend and I'll see those of you with children in Year 6 bright and early on Monday morning.

Anna Smith

## CALENDAR DATES

23 <sup>rd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Residential Trip
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Sports Fortnight
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Junior Music Festival – A Night at the Movies 12 noon – 8:15pm (please refer to letter)
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 2 visit to the private gardens at Windsor Castle (letter to follow)
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day (no after school clubs operating) Events from 9am until lunchtime when you are invited to join us for a whole school picnic on the field as in previous years
5 <sup>th</sup> July	HT Fest
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Transition Workshop with Samuari in school (kindly funded by the PTA)
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Rock Steady Concert am
10 <sup>th</sup> July	NSPCC workshops in school
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Spanish Assembly 9:30am
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 Trip to The Ferry to see the Swan Upping event 1:15pm
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Cricket Team competing in the Berkshire Youth Games at Reading Crickey Club
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4 Trip to the Cookham Dig
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term & Leavers' Service

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September INSET**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September: Start of the New Academic Year for all children**

## THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF WINDSOR AND MAIDENHEAD

### TERM DATES 2025/2026

School term and holiday dates for community and voluntary controlled schools. Academy, free and voluntary aided schools can set their own term dates, so please check with your school.

### Autumn 2025

**Term 1 (38 days)**

**Term starts on:** Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025\* **Term ends on:** Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

**October holiday:** Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2025 to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025

**Term 2 (35 days)**

**Term starts on:** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025 **Term ends on:** Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

**Christmas holiday:** Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2025 to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2026

### Spring 2026

**Term 3 (30 days)**

**Term starts on:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 **Term ends on:** Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**February holiday:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2026 to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**Term 4 (25 days)**

**Term starts on:** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026 **Term ends on:** Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**Spring holiday:** Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2026 to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
(Good Friday – 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2026; Easter Monday – 6<sup>th</sup> April 2026)

### Summer 2026

**Term 5 (29 days)**

**Term starts on:** Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026 **Term ends on:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

**May holiday:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2026 to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**Term 6 (38 days)**

**Term starts on:** Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026 **Term ends on:** Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026