



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)

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KEY INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK

News from Around the School:

Teals have been running the mile every day this week, building stamina and fitness ready for all the sport that is happening in the next 2 weeks. In preparation for their visit to meet Rev Helen in church next week, the children have been thinking about questions to ask her in relation to faith prayer. It will be lovely for the children to be back in the cool serenity of our beautiful local church again.

Moorhens have been reflecting on their time at Holy Trinity, recalling memories from Reception right up to Year 6! They reminisced about what is approaching 9,000 hours at Holy Trinity before turning memories into poetry. These memories will form part of their Leavers Service which we sincerely hope we will be able to invite you to. In Geography, the children have continued to study rivers while in Science they are concluding their work on the body by studying the effects of consuming a balanced diet. They also carried out a data investigation this week, quizzing one another on favourite fruits. They used their data to calculate percentages before working out the size of the sector they'd need to draw on a pie chart.

Cygnets have continued their topic on minibeasts by looking at the life cycle of a frog. They've listened to stories about two good friends, Frog and Toad and talked about what friends do for each other. Printing symmetrical butterflies and doubling the spots on their wings has been the maths challenge this week.

Kingfishers have been looking at the structure of fairytales and recreating their own. Focusing on the language of traditional tales, they created good and bad characters, a setting, a capture and an escape. They also designed an illuminated letter. Watching the progress of their hungry caterpillars which arrived on Tuesday has created much excitement. They are certainly very hungry and are growing noticeably day by day.

Swans have used Andy Goldsworthy's Red Leaf Patch as inspiration for their Green Leaf Patch – take a look at their time-lapse recording on Google Classroom. A sensory scavenger hunt had the children exploring the school site, heeding their senses. In computing, they have learned how to code a program to repeat...to repeat...to repeat, in plotting an astronaut's spacewalk.

Goslings have been building this week. In order to make Roman chariots they used lots of materials to make first the axle, then the chassis and finally the frame. Their Big Write set out detailed instructions so that others could also make one if they choose to. The children also made 3D shapes in maths to explore the number of faces, edges and vertices in each.

Cormorants have been extending their computing skills this week by using Google docs to create tables. Amongst other things, they merged cells and altered text style before mirroring their tables onto the whiteboard to share with the class. Both Year 5 and Year 6 were also fortunate enough to watch a drowning prevention presentation at Braywick Leisure Centre before challenging each other to a cricket match in the afternoon. It was a great day in school!

The learning of modern foreign languages continues with French and German taught by Mrs. Thandi and our Spanish Club are getting ready with Mrs. Pow to impress you with lots of Spanish phrases. Do ask your child about what they've been covering!

Year 6 Residential Trip to CRS Adventures, Devon:

Thank you for giving me your child's medication in plenty of time to allow me to follow up with discussions where I felt the need. We are now set to go! I look forward to seeing the children at school at 7:30am on Monday ready to load the coach and head off.

As you are packing this weekend, do refer to the information sheet which was sent out to you a couple of weeks ago to guide you in how to prepare your child for the week ahead. At this stage some of the most important things to do are labelling every item of clothing and kit with their name, getting your child to pack their own bag and teaching them this weekend how to put on a pillow case and duvet cover!

Transition Week:

Next week, while the Year 6 children are down in Devon, everyone else will transition. We will also be welcoming the new Cygnets to Holy Trinity on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning. Information about which teacher your child will be with in September will be released at the end of term.

Just for next week, arrangements for drop off and pick up will change for everyone. All the children, including Cygnets, should arrive at the side gate and enter school from the rear. Staff will be around to direct them to the right classroom so please do not follow them up the path. At the end of the day please make your way to your child's new class where they will be handed over to you by the class teacher. If you are unsure where to go, please ask.

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning the new children joining the school in September will be coming for some taster sessions. They will arrive at and leave from the front of school.

Calendar Dates for the new Academic Year:

As requests for information are still being received, please find a document outlining the term dates for 2022-2023 sent to you again as an attachment. Please note, the first day of the new academic year is Friday 2nd September.

Head Lice:

We have been made aware that there are cases of head lice in school. While this currently is in just one class, Year 4, they spread very quickly so please check your child's hair this weekend and treat if necessary to prevent an outbreak. Thank you.

Extra-Curricular Activities:

Extra-curricular activities including Early Bird Club continue as follows:

Club	Year Group	Day	Start:	Arrangements for drop-off/pick-up
Early Bird Club	All	Monday – Friday inclusive	Start time 8am each day of the week	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Spanish Club	Year 4	Monday	Before school at 8.20am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Kwik Cricket	Year 5	Monday	Finish time 4:30pm	Collect from the back gate
Playball	EYFS & Year 1	Monday	Finish time: 4:15pm	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Junior Choir	Years 3 & 4	Tuesday	Before school at 8am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Netball	Years 4 & 5	Tuesday	Before school at 8am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Spanish Club	Year 2	Tuesday	Before school at 8.20am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Little Samurai	EYFS, Y1 & Y2	Tuesday	Finish time: 4:00pm	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Spanish Club	Year 1	Wednesday	Before school at 8.20am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Spanish Club	Year 5	Wednesday	Finish time: 3:50pm	Collect from the front entrance of school
Playball	EYFS & Year 1	Wednesday	Finish time: 4:15pm	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Senior Choir	Years 5 (& 6)	Thursday	Before school at 8am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Young Samurai	Years 3 - 6	Thursday	Finish time: 4:15pm	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Spanish Club	Year 3	Friday	Before school at 8.20am	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Sewing Club	Year 2 – 6	Friday	Finish time: 4:35pm	Collect from the front entrance of school
Knitting Club	Year 6 (cancelled)	Friday	Finish time: 4:15pm	Collect from the front entrance of school
IPro Football	Years 1 - 6	Friday	Finish time: 4:30pm	Collect from the back gate

Sports Fortnight:

Our Sports Fortnight begins next week while Year 6 are away on their residential trip. If you or anyone you know has a particular interest or expertise in anything related to sport and are willing to run a workshop for the children during the fortnight please email the office marking your message for the attention of Mr Whittle. It's not too late to make known your interest.

For the next two weeks (27th June – 8th July) your child should come to school every day wearing smart school P.E kit regardless of when their P.E. lessons are. This is to ensure they are dressed appropriately for the number of additional sporting activities which will be taking place. To see what the children are up to do checkout our Twitter page.



Follow us on twitter and see more of what we are up to!
@HTSchoolCookham

Please note that iPro or Sewing Club will not be meeting after sports day on 8th July. These clubs have been cancelled. Please refer to information sent out from these club providers about what alternative provision is in place.

HT Fest:

If you are involved in any of the preparations for our HT Fest, thank you for all your hard work; it promises to be a great event. Please speak to the team about how to get involved to make this a wonderful day for the children and everyone else coming along.

Anna Smith

CALENDAR DATES

27 th June – 1 st July	Year 6 Residential Trip
28 th June	Year 4 walking to Holy Trinity Church for a prayer workshop with Rev. Helen (OA4 forms required)
27 th June – 8 th July	Sport Fortnight
1 st July	Fete set up
2 nd July	HT Fest (please see flyer sent out today)
8 th July	Sports Day
13 th July	Commonwealth Games Baton Relay (selected children chosen to participate)
14 th July	Last day of term
15 th July	First Day of the summer holiday
2 nd September	First day of the new academic year
8 th October	PTA Ball (details to follow)