



KEY INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK

Welcome back to the start of a new term. It has been a positive beginning; despite the cases of COVID-19 over the break which we sent information to you about on Monday, we managed to get to this morning with no new cases reported. Unfortunately, however, we have had a case confirmed today in Year 6 which you have already received a letter about. Thank you for taking the time to read the letter; your prompt actions when situations like this come to light are helping to keep us free of further infection.

As the term goes on, please remember the value of undertaking regular lateral flow tests. Kits can be ordered for collection the next day by logging onto: [Order coronavirus \(COVID-19\) rapid lateral flow tests - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-covid-19-rapid-lateral-flow-tests) Staff continue to test themselves twice weekly.

If your child or another member of your household tests positive for COVID (or if anyone is identified as a close contact of a positive case via the NHS Test and Trace service) we are all asked to complete daily lateral flow tests for a period of 7 days. Please do adhere to this.

Maths and Coding Week:

After the success of Science of Technology Week we are now planning our Maths and Coding Week. This will run from 22nd to 26th November. If you would be interested in running a workshop for the children or leading a presentation with a maths and/or computing theme, we would love to hear from you. Please email the office office@holytrinitysch.co.uk marking your message for the attention of Ms O'Reilly. Thank you

Extra-Curricular Activities:

Our extra-curricular clubs have started up again. Arrangements for picking up/dropping off children from these activities are as follows:

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| Breakfast Club | Start time 8am each day of the week | Arrive through the back door of the hall |
| Playball | Finish time: 4pm (Monday) | Collect from the back gate |
| Junior Choir | Before school at 8am (Tuesday, beginning 16.11.21) | Arrive through the back door of the hall |
| Netball | Before school at 8am (Tuesday) | Arrive through the back door of the hall |
| Football Club | Finish time : 4:30pm (Tuesday) | Collect from the back gate |
| Samurai | Finish time: 4:00pm (Tuesday) | Collect from the back door of the school hall |
| Samurai | Finish time: 4:15pm (Thursday) | Collect from the back door of the school hall |
| Senior Choir | Before school at 8am (Thursday, beginning 18.11.21) | Arrive through the back door of the hall |
| Football iPro | Finish time: 4:30pm (Friday) | Collect from the back gate |
| Sewing Club | Finish time: 4:35pm (Friday) | Collect from the front entrance to school Reception |
| Spanish Club | Start and finish times vary throughout the week-please refer to the previously sent out flyer for specific details | |

Please note, football trials on a Tuesday for Year 5 and 6 have now been replaced with Football Club. If you have a child in either of these year groups you will be sent a letter today about how to book a place.

This term we are hoping to introduce a Dance Club. This will be a club for boys & girls in Y3 & 4 on a Wednesday after school in the hall, finishing at 4.30pm. The sessions will give the children an opportunity to get fit and learn popular dance routines from around the world. An initial trial session will run next Wednesday (10th November) for an hour after school (3:30 – 4:30 pm). Spaces are limited to 15 and will be allocated on a first response basis. If your child is interested in coming along you should contact the workshop provider, Anna-Louise, directly on 07342 257499 for further details and to book a place. The cost for this try-out session is £6 per child. Please see the flyer for more details.

The team from iPro Football are currently planning their after school programme for January 2022. The initial proposal is that the club will restart on Friday 21st January and run until Friday 8th April. The final session on 8.4.21 will be a double session, giving a total of 12 lessons, excludes February Half Term. Please look out for a flyer which will be circulated in due course containing information on how to book a place for your child.

Berkshire Maestros:

Next week, Anne Marie Christensen who works as a peripatetic teacher for Berkshire Maestros and who comes into Holy Trinity to teach the violin to a handful of pupils, will be visiting a number of classes to perform for the children. If your child is interested in learning to play the violin or any other instrument, please refer to the flyer or contact Berkshire Maestros directly on: hello@berkshiremaestros.org.uk or 0118 901 2370. Alternatively, you may be interested in visiting their website: Musical Education For Children and Adults | Berkshire Maestros

Annual Flu Vaccinations:

This week you received a letter from the NHS Berkshire Healthcare Foundation Trust informing you that annual flu vaccinations are now due. (For your convenience, the letter will be resent early next week.) A team of nurses will be visiting our school on Tuesday 30th November offering vaccinations to all children from Reception to Year 6. It is important that you read the E-Consent letter so you are clear on the procedure and how to complete the consent form.

Please note, to consent to your child having the flu vaccination you must complete an electronic consent form via <https://www.berkshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu> where you are required to insert our school's details (Holy Trinity CE Primary School, Cookham) plus our unique code: (BK109961). **This has to be done by 9am, 48 hours before the session on 30th November to ensure your child receives their vaccination.** Unfortunately, if you miss this deadline, a vaccination will not be available.

If you **do not** wish for your child to be vaccinated then I have been asked by the team to request that you still complete the form indicating that you **do not** give consent. Thank you.

Supporting the Royal British Legion:

Thank you for helping us support the Royal British Legion in their annual Poppy Appeal. We are waiting for more stock to arrive which we hope to have in time for 11th November. We will mark Remembrance Day in school again this year with some of our older children laying a poppy at the War Memorial in Cookham next Thursday.

Operation Christmas Child:

Operation Christmas Child is a project we support every year. It is run by Samaritan's Purse which send shoebox gifts to children in need around the world. Churches, schools and groups collect these boxes during 'National Collection Week', which this year falls between 15th and 22nd November, before thousands of volunteers check and prepare the boxes for international shipping. The task is simple, find a shoe box, fill it with gifts (new toys, school supplies, hygiene items), make a suggested donation of £5 to pay for shipping, drop off your box at one of the local collection points. The nearest collection point to school is: **The Kidwells Centre, 41 Marlow Road, Maidenhead, SL6 7AQ** To find where other collection points are and to discover more about the charity and how to join in with the project, go to: [Operation Christmas Child \(samaritans-purse.org.uk\)](http://Operation Christmas Child (samaritans-purse.org.uk)) The children will be learning more about it in collective worship sessions next week; information about how to pack a shoe box will be posted in Google Classroom too under 'Collective Worship' in the classwork section.

PTA Christmas Event:

The PTA are currently busy putting together plans for how we can celebrate Christmas safely. More details will be released soon but for now you may wish to keep Thursday 16th December free.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Anna Smith

CALENDAR DATES

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| 10 TH November | Cross Country competition (selected KS2 pupils) |
| 11 th November | Remembrance Service in school |
| 13 th November | World kindness day |
| 15 th – 22 nd November | National Collection Week: Operation Christmas Child |
| 19 th November | Children in Need (details to be confirmed) |
| 22 nd -26 th November | Maths Week |
| 24 th November | School Nurse (Year 6) |
| 30 th November | Nasal Flu Vaccine (whole school) |
| 16th December from 5pm | PTA Christmas event |



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