



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

Welcome back to the start of a new term. I hope that you had a wonderful break and that your child has enjoyed being back in the classroom this week amongst their friends. It's been a positive start and an interesting one with many new topics introduced. For information on what your child will be learning about this term, please refer back to the class newsletters which you have been sent previously and which can be found on our website: [Class Newsletters | Holy Trinity C. of E. Primary School](#)

Themed Weeks:

We might only be a week in to the new term but already our next themed week is upon us; on Monday we launch Maths and Computing Week. Many thanks to those of you who have responded to Ms O'Reilly letter which went out earlier in the week. We are excited about the range of interesting workshops you have offered which will give the children a different perspective on maths and computing and, rather importantly, give them an insight into various career paths. We are enormously grateful for your support. A number of professional workshop providers will also be coming in, including the Bubbly Maths Company and Brickies. It's sure to be as exciting a week as Science and Technology Week was.

The contributions you have made towards themed weeks has allowed us to invite these companies into school. Having 'Sublime Science' and 'Wonderstruck' in just before half term really enhanced the learning experience for the children and we are confident Bubbly Maths and Brickies will do the same. Thank you if you have already made payment, most of you have, but if you are yet to do so, please could you log on to your Scopay account as soon as you are able. The letter outlining what is required is attached again for your convenience. Thank you so much for your support in helping us create exciting and meaningful experiences for your child.

Year 1's Trip to Windsor Castle:

Today Year 1 have been at Windsor Castle. They had a wonderful time learning all about the castle, exploring the site and sharing all the information they have found out about special homes on the run up to the event. It was a great day out.

Swimming for Year 3:

Swimming lessons for Year 3 continue this term. The children have already made excellent progress and really seem to enjoy the weekly trip to Braywick. The instructors are planning to do some water safety sessions soon so do look out for information coming up in the newsletter about additional equipment they will need to bring in at some point during the term.

PTA AGM:

If you were able to come along to the PTA AGM on Wednesday evening, thank you for making the time to do so. I hope you enjoyed finding out about future plans and hearing what the money you have raised already has been spent on.

This week the children have been busy designing Christmas cards which soon you will be able to buy. They have done a wonderful job and are very proud of their work. The next PTA event for them is, on the 22nd November, when all are invited to a popcorn and pyjama party. Look out for details of this soon to be published. You have also been sent a flyer about our 'Carols in the Courtyard' event in December.

Supporting the Royal British Legion:

All this week our Year 6 pupils have been reminding everyone else why this time of year is so significant for many people. They have manned our poppy stall in between making waistcoats adorned with poppies. Lots of children have made a donation to the Royal British Legion as we've learnt, in assembly, about the work they do. Our art club, run by Mrs Hyslop, has produced a beautiful piece of work which reflects the impact of war. It is on show in the hall where on Sunday members of our Junior and Senior Choir will be singing during Holy Trinity Church's Remembrance Service. It begins at 10:45am at the War Memorial in the village after which everyone will walk to school for the 11am service.

On Monday, Remembrance Day, the whole school will walk to the War Memorial for our own service of Remembrance. You are warmly invited to attend. We will leave school around 10:40am and return around 11:10am.

Extra-Curricular Activities:

For details of extra-curricular activities on offer this term and details of who to contact if you would like to secure a place for your child, see below. Please note there are slight changes to the cross-country club run by Mr Reynolds and the football club run by Mr Whittle on Tuesdays. There is also a new club running on Wednesday lunchtime for girls in Year 3-6 who are interested in football. All details can be found below.

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 8:30am. 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: holytrinity@wraparoundcare4u.com	See WrapAroundCare4U for details: information sent out via email
Spanish Club	Year 5 & 6	Monday before school at 8:20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: 07939 045722 francesca@the-pows.co.uk	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Ukulele Club	KS2	Monday lunchtime - All welcome	Children should speak to Mrs Lucas	N/A
Art Club	Year 3 & 4	Monday after school, finish time: 5pm	Book directly by contacting Mrs Hyslop: Nickyw1@hotmail.co.uk	Collect from the front entrance of school
Playball	EYFS & Year 1	Monday, finish time: 4pm	Book online: http://www.playballkids.com/f/southbucks	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 larainebrownbda@gmail.com	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Netball	Years 5 & 6	Tuesday before school, start time: 8am	Please speak to Mr Lucas for more details	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Spanish Club	Year 2	Tuesday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow (see above)	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Art Club	Year 5 & 6	Tuesday after school, finish time: 5pm	Book directly by contacting Mrs Hyslop: Nickyw1@hotmail.co.uk	Collect from the front entrance of school
Little Samurai	EYFS, Y1 & Y2	Tuesday, finish time: 4:15pm	Book directly: 07828 534817 www.SamuraiKickboxing.com info@SamuraiKickboxing.com	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Football	Year 5 & 6 boys and girls	Tuesday, finish time 4:20pm	5th & 12th November - all welcome From 19th November squad training for those pupils selected	Collect from the back gate
Cross-Country Running	Years 3 & 4 (sign up required)	Tuesday, finish time 3:55pm	Please speak to the office about securing a place	Collect from the back gate
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: (see above)	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Girls' Football Club	KS2 girls	Wednesday at lunchtime for 5 weeks beginning on 20 th November	Book directly: Office 07908 172175 Email: office@iprofootballcoaching.co.uk	Girls attending this club are permitted to come to school wearing their school P.E. kit
Spanish Club	Year 3	Wednesday after school, finish time 3:50pm	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: (see above)	Collect from the front entrance of school
Yoga & Mindfulness	Year 1 - 6	Wednesday, finish time 4:30pm	Book directly by contacting Sallie Windsor: 07846 992824 sallie.windsor@nurturekidsyoga.com	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 larainebrownbda@gmail.com	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Young Samurai	Years 3 - 6	Thursday after school, finish time: 4:15pm	Book directly: 07828 534817 www.SamuraiKickboxing.com or info@SamuraiKickboxing.com	Collect from the back door of the school hall
Maths Club	Year 5 & 6	Friday before school at 8:15am	Organised by Mrs Neal, selected Year 5 & 6 pupils entered for the Primary Maths Challenge will be invited (from 18.11.24 to 22.11.24)	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Spanish Club	Year 4	Friday before school at 8.20am	Book directly by contacting Mrs Pow: (see above)	Arrive through the back door of the hall
Sewing Club	Year 1 – 6	Friday after school, finish time: 4:30pm	Book directly: 07782 253565 anita@dhaaga-sewing.co.uk	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: office@iprofootballcoaching.co.uk Children attending this club are permitted to come to school wearing their school P.E. kit with a football shirt to change into at the end of the day if they wish.	Collect from the back gate
Maestro Music Lessons	EYFS – Y6	Various days during the week	To find out more, go to: Homepage - Berkshire Music Trust (berksmusictrust.org.uk)	Times of lessons determined by Maestros

The Success of Trinity Times:

For the last year on a monthly basis our Year 6 students have produced a newspaper, The Trinity Times', which by selling they have raised money for a number of charities. Since January they have donated a total of £421.84 to organisations including the RSPB, Booktrust, WWF and the NSPCC. Our editors who led the initiative have now left and gone onto secondary school but before they went they passed the baton onto another three children who are now in Year 6. Their first edition of the newspaper has been on sale recently and they are currently working on a November publication. Do support the team by buying the publication; they too will also be donating profits to charities they select.

Our thanks go to Steve and his team at Print 'n' Projects in Station Parade, Cookham who have, from the beginning, printed the newspaper free of charge and Chantelle at the Little Bookshop for sponsoring the project.

Children in Need – next Friday (15th November):

Next Friday, in support of Children in Need, your child is invited to come to school wearing clothing which match the colours in a Rubik's cube. There will be buckets at the gate for them to drop any donations into. All week we will also be taking part in the CIN daily maths challenges which, along with our dress-up theme, ties in perfectly with our focus on 'shape and space' during Maths & Computing Week.

Lions Club of Maidenhead School Talent Show:

A week tomorrow (16th November) three of our children, Daisy Dawkes, Jude Jones and Joel Statham, will be performing in a talent show organised by the Lions Club of Maidenhead School at Furze Platt Senior School. All funds raised will go to the Alexandra Devine Children's Hospice Service so if you are free, do come along to support our talented trio. It promises to be a good show! A flyer has been sent out.

Smartphone Free Childhood:

Following up from the information I shared about a Smartphone Free Childhood just before half term, I am delighted that the number of parents in our school who have signed the pact to delay giving their child a smartphone until at least Year 9, has risen from 84 to 89. This means we remain at the top of the Berkshire leader board of schools. To find out more about the movement, to see our results and those of other schools in the country or to sign up if you are keen to do so, go to: [Smartphone Free Childhood](#)

Parking:

With additional double yellow lines now along Sutton Road, I offer a gentle reminder about parking considerately, safely and legally when arriving to drop off your child or coming to collect them at the end of the day. There are a number of off road places to park in the village which hopefully help to make the situation easier for you.

WrapAroundCare4U Ofsted:

Finally, as you may be aware, just before half term our after school provision, 'WrapAroundCare4U', received a visit from Ofsted. I am delighted with the outcome and have sent you the report they received as an attachment today. Congratulations, Emily and the team!

Anna Smith

CALENDAR DATES

Please continue to refer to this section in our newsletter throughout the year as new dates are added in order to keep on top of what is coming up in school. We will endeavour to give you as much notice as possible. Anything new will be highlighted in blue.

11 th – 15 th November	Maths & Computing Week
11 th November	Remembrance Service at Cookham War Memorial
14 th November	A and B team football matches vs Courthouse (away) Selected children informed by letter
15 th November	Children in Need
16 th November	Lions Club of Maidenhead School Talent Show (see flyer for details of how to get tickets)
19 th November	A team netball match v St Edmund Campion (home) Selected children informed by letter
21 st November	B team football match v St Edmund Campion (home) Selected children informed by letter
22 nd November	PTA Pyjama and Popcorn Party
1 st December	Cookham Christmas Street Fayre
2 nd December	NCMP Year 6 screening
3 rd December	Year 5 Trip to the Harry Potter Studios
4 th December	Year 6 Trip to Bletchley Park
5 th December	A team football match v Braywick Court (home) Selected children informed by letter
10 th December	EYFS & KS1 Nativity Performance 2pm
11 th December	EYFS & KS1 Nativity Performance 6pm
12 th December	PTA Carols in the Courtyard
18 th December	EYFS & KS1 Trip to the Braywick Pantomime
19 th December	Christmas Lunch
20 th December – 6 th Jan	Christmas Holiday
3 rd – 7 th March	Book week
4 th March	Virtual Parent Consultations
6 th March	Virtual Parent Consultations
1 st May	Year 4 Trip to Starlight Express, Wembley Park Theatre
12 th – 15 th May	KS2 SATs
9 th – 13 th June	Arts and Culture Week
23 rd – 27 th June	Y6 Residential Trip
23 rd – 3 rd July	Sports Fortnight
4 th July	Sports Day