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*Jesus said, "Just as I have loved you, you should also love one another."*

John 13:34-35

## KEY INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK

I do hope that you are finding the information which is coming to you on a weekly basis via newsletters, helpful in allowing you to keep abreast of what is going on in school. We will also use this platform to continue to disseminate important and relevant documentation from the Government, the DfE and from the borough, as it becomes available.

Things seem to be changing rapidly and almost on a daily basis. With the requirement by law to self-isolate if anyone tests positive for COVID-19 or if contacted by NHS Test and Trace now in force, you may find the following link useful:

[https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-legal-duty-to-self-isolate-comes-into-force-today?utm\\_source=28%20September%202020%20C19&utm\\_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm\\_campaign=DfE%20C19](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-legal-duty-to-self-isolate-comes-into-force-today?utm_source=28%20September%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19)

Also, to help you, the Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline is available to answer questions you may have about coronavirus (COVID-19) which relate to education and children's social care. Their opening hours have been extended from 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday and 10am to 4pm on Saturday and Sunday. Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline by calling: 0800 046 8687.

Here, arrangements for drop-off and pick up next week remain the same:

| Bubble | Year Group | Start Time | Collection Time |
|--------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| 1      | Reception  | 8:50am     | 2:40pm          |
| 2      | Year 6     | 9:00am     | 2:50pm          |
| 3      | Year 2     | 9:05am     | 2:55pm          |
| 4      | Year 5     | 9:10am     | 3:00pm          |
| 5      | Year 4     | 9:15am     | 3:10pm          |
| 6      | Year 1     | 9:20am     | 3:20pm          |
| 7      | Year 3     | 9:25am     | 3:30pm          |

### Reporting Absence:

Thank you for continuing to report in to the school office if your child is not in school. Even if days of absence are consecutive and you have notified school on the first day of them not being in, it is important that you continue to phone in or email every day until they return. An email is sufficient or alternatively you can telephone, and if necessary leave a message.

If, as a result of your child displaying COVID symptoms, you have been to a test centre and you are awaiting test results, they should not return to school until you are in possession of results indicating a negative reading. Should you receive test results which indicate they have, or someone in the family has, the illness, it is imperative that you inform school immediately. The following link provides useful information on what to do in such circumstances. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/what-your-test-result-means/>. If you have a child in another setting (nursery or senior school) who is sent home instructed to get a test because they are displaying symptoms of coronavirus, please inform us immediately and make arrangements to come and collect your child. Your child should not return to school until those test results are received.

### Bringing Items to School:

It is becoming increasingly apparent that the children are bringing unnecessary items to school. Please can you ensure that they leave such items at home and only bring in those things which were listed in the letter sent out to you on 23.7.20. As we have limited space in cloakrooms, it is also helpful if they bring in their belongings in a book bag or small draw string bag.

Trainers should remain in school for the week as the mile is run on a daily basis. All equipment must be clearly named. For your convenience, the items they need are as follows:

Pupils in Reception and KS1 will be provided with writing equipment which will be named and which only they will use. However, pupils in KS2 are encouraged to bring their own writing equipment to school each day in a simple, see-through, plastic, zipped pencil case. This should consist of:

- 2 x pencils (HB grade)
- Rubber
- Sharpener
- Handwriting pen (not a biro or cartridge pen please)
- Child-safe pair of scissors
- Glue stick
- 30cm clear, rigid, ruler
- Colouring pencil crayons

They will be provided with additional equipment which only they will use.

In addition, your child, whether they are in Reception, KS1 or KS2, should bring to school every day:

- a water bottle (please note our water fountain cannot be used for fear of infection)
- a packed lunch (unless a school lunch has been ordered-please no nut products)
- reading book and reading record book
- packet of tissues
- hand sanitizer

Thank you for your support in this matter.

#### Macmillan Coffee Morning:

Last week I reported that we had raised £218 for Macmillan. As additional donations have now come in, we will in fact be sending £232 to the charity. Thank you for your generosity in helping us make this happen.

#### Nasal Flu Immunisation:

Last week you received a letter (via email) which contained an E-consent link which you were asked to complete should you wish for your child to take part in the flu immunisation scheme in school this year. The immunisation programme at Holy Trinity is scheduled for 22<sup>nd</sup> October and, this year, is for all year groups. If you haven't already done so, please take a moment to read through the leaflet which was sent out with the letter as it contains important information on things like allergies. It would be helpful if you could complete registration as soon as possible. The details of how to do this are contained within the email you were sent. Thank you.

#### Extra-Curricular Clubs:

Last Friday the first of our extra-curricular clubs run by external providers began. The arrangements in place for football club organised by Pro-Direct on Friday were excellent and allowed children in all three bubbles to participate safely. This week, a number of other clubs have started. As a result of careful planning and extensive liaison with providers, the activities have run smoothly. The current club timetable can be found below.

In the coming weeks, do continue to look out for letters and flyers from club providers which will be emailed directly to you if your child is already signed up with them. Club providers will also be able to inform you if there are any spaces available for new comers. (Please refer to the joining sheets, which were emailed out to you initially, for the contact details if you wish to enquire about space availability.) **We kindly ask you to note that any enquiries you may have should be made to the specific club provider, not the school office.**

As I have previously indicated, after school clubs will finish at the time stated below with our external providers handing your child over to you at the side gate where you ordinarily pick them up. In order to help us keep bubbles apart, please arrive promptly at the time given so we can be sure all children from one bubble have departed before a new bubble arrives for their hand-over. It would be most helpful if you could then leave promptly with your child/children and avoid congregating around the gate. If you have more than one child at Holy Trinity, when one is staying behind to take part in an extra-curricular activity we are unable to make provision for siblings to stay. Therefore, you will need to make two pick-ups on a club day, one at the time when school finishes for one child, another when the club finishes.

If your child is attending a club before school (as indicated below), they should arrive just ahead of the club starting, enter the building through the back of the hall as those attending Breakfast Club do, make their way to an outside sink to wash their hands then head to the appropriate location where the club provider will be waiting. In the case of siblings, you can either send them to Breakfast Club (£1 for an early drop off) or you can bring them later at the time when their year group arrives.

| Club:                      | Year Group:        | Day/time:   | Beginning/started on:   | Location:     | Additional Details:   |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---|---|---------------|---|
| Samurai, Kickboxing        | Reception, Y1, Y2  | Tuesday after school - times vary depending on year group       | Currently running   | Parish Centre | Please refer to the letter from Samurai for specific details and to sign up (already sent via email)  |
| Samurai, Kickboxing        | Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6     | Thursday after school - times vary depending on year group      | Currently running   | Parish Centre |   |
| Choir                      | Y3                 | <b>Fortnightly</b> on Tuesdays at 8am                           | Began Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> September (and fortnightly from then on) | SHEL          | Children should arrive at 8am, enter school through the hall and make their way to the SHEL after washing their hands                                 |
| Choir                      | Y4                 | <b>Fortnightly</b> on Thursdays at 8am                          | Began Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> October (and fortnightly from then on)   | SHEL          |   |
| Choir                      | Y5                 | <b>Fortnightly</b> on Tuesdays at 8am                           | Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October (and fortnightly from then on)          | SHEL          |   |
| Choir                      | Y6                 | <b>Fortnightly</b> on Thursdays at 8am                          | Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> October (and fortnightly from then on)         | SHEL          |   |
| <b>Enterprise</b>          | <b>Y5</b>          |   |   |               | <b>Cancelled by club provider owing to low numbers</b>  |
| Spanish                    | Y5 & Y6            | Monday 8:20am to 8:50am   | Began Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> September (weekly)                        | SHEL          | Children arrive at 8am, enter school through the hall and make their way to the SHEL after washing their hands  |
| Spanish                    | Y2                 | Tuesday 8:20am to 8:50am  | Began Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> September (weekly)                       | Y2 classroom  | Children arrive at 8am, enter school through the hall and make their way to Y2 after washing their hands  |
| Spanish                    | Y1                 | Wednesday 8:20am to 8:50am                                      | Began Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> September (weekly)                     | Y1 classroom  | Children arrive at 8am, enter school through the hall and make their way to Y1 after washing their hands  |
| Spanish                    | Y4                 | Wednesday 3:20pm to 3:50pm                                      | Began Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> September (weekly)                     | Y4 classroom  | Children remain in their classroom at the end of the day for the club provider to arrive. Pick up is at 3:50pm at the gate where you ordinarily wait. |
| Spanish                    | Y3                 | Friday 8:20am to 8:50am   | Began Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October (weekly)                           | Y3 classroom  | Children arrive at 8am, enter school through the hall and make their way to Y3 after washing their hands  |
| Pro-Direct Football        | Y1                 | Friday 3:20 – 4:20pm (may have to be cancelled in poor weather) | Began Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> September (weekly)                        | School field  | Please refer to the letter from the team for specific details and to sign up. Your child should come to school wearing <b>school P.E. kit.</b>        |
| Pro-Direct Football        | Y2                 | Friday 2:55 – 3:55pm (may have to be cancelled in poor weather) | Began Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> September (weekly)                        | School field  | Please refer to the letter from the team for specific details and to sign up. Your child should come to school wearing <b>school P.E. kit.</b>        |
| Pro-Direct Football        | Y3 & Y4            | Friday 3:30 – 4:30pm (may have to be cancelled in poor weather) | Began Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> September (weekly)                        | School field  | Please refer to the letter from the team for specific details and to sign up. Your child should come to school wearing <b>school P.E. kit.</b>        |
| <b>Pro-Direct Football</b> | <b>Y5 &amp; Y6</b> |   |   |               | <b>Currently cancelled by provider owing to low numbers</b>   |
| Sewing                     | Y2                 | Friday 2:55 – 3:55pm  | Began 2 <sup>nd</sup> October (weekly)                                  | Y2 classroom  | Please refer to the letter for specific details   |
| <b>Sewing</b>              | <b>Y3</b>          |   |   |               | <b>Currently cancelled by provider owing to low numbers</b>   |

Please note all registration forms and payments for clubs must be sent directly to the provider and not handed into the school office.

### Homework:

Thank you for the patience you have shown as our system for setting homework on Google Classroom has evolved. Next week we will continue to post homework on Google Classroom with the children completing tasks in homework exercise books. As before, your child can either answer directly into their book or print off activity sheets and answer on them before trimming and sticking the sheet into their book. Staff will continue to be mindful of setting activities which do not require you to do lots of printing or for the children to look at a screen for extended periods.

Over the last two weeks recommended reading lists and maths booklets have been posted which we hope you found useful. This week, along with the usual homework tasks, we will post spelling booklets on the site. These (relevant for your child's year group, the year above and the year below), set out the curriculum and are designed to guide you in ways of helping your child learn specific spelling patterns. They also direct you to useful websites. Do take a look.

More pebbles are appearing along the path but we still have a way to go if they are to reach the front entrance! If your child is yet to design a pebble, do encourage them to do so. It is hoped that this whole school project will bring a smile to the faces of anyone using the path during these rather bleak times.

### Science Week:

With Science Week drawing closer, (19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> October) we are in the process of finalising plans which take into account the restrictions placed upon us. If you work in the field of science and feel you would like to be part of our Science Week in a virtual way, please see the letter from Mrs Cornwell, our science lead, which explains how you can get involved. This can be seen as an attachment today. The children always enjoy hearing from people passionate about a specialist subject so do get in touch if you feel you can help.

### Henley Literary Festival:

With restrictions in place, schools are increasingly finding creative ways of enhancing the curriculum and bringing exciting opportunities to the children. This week we have been part of the Henley Literary Festival. This is usually an annual trip for Year 5 and Year 6 students who travel to Henley around this time of year to meet an author and hear about the books they have written. This year the Henley Literary Festival has come to us! Each day the children have logged on and taken part in a virtual event. Authors Katherine Rundell, Marion Deuchars, Leila Rasheed, Omar Mohamed and Victoria Jamieson have all shared their experiences of what being a children's author means to them. I hope your child has spoken positively about the workshop they have been part of; maybe next time you are visiting a book shop they might like to look for a book written by the author they heard from.

### Design a Christmas Card:

As I reported last week, Theresa May, is inviting children aged 11 and younger who live in her constituency to design a Christmas card for her to send out this year. The theme is 'my favourite thing about Christmas'. Entries for the competition should be marked 'Theresa May's Christmas Card Competition' and sent to Maidenhead Advertiser, 48 Bell Street, Maidenhead, SL6 1HX. There is still time for your child to take part; **the closing date for entries is Friday, October 16**. A flyer containing further details is attached again for your convenience.

Finally, you may or may not be aware that the school has a Twitter account @HTSchoolCookham. Do sign up to follow us and be the first to hear of events happening.

I do hope that you and your family have a happy and safe weekend.

Anna Smith

## CALENDAR DATES

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| 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct                    | Phonics Workshop (Reception & KS1) details to follow      |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct                    | Closing date for Theresa May's Christmas Card competition |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct | Science Week  |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct                    | Nasal Flu Immunisation (All Years) details to follow      |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct                    | Deadline for Secondary School Applications (Sept 2021)    |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct | Half Term   |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov                     | BucksCC Transfer Practice Test (11+)                      |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov                     | BucksCC Transfer Test (11+)                               |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov                    | PTA AGM at 8pm via zoom                                   |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov                    | Remembrance Service (details to follow)                   |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov                    | Children In Need (details to follow)                      |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov | Maths Week  |