

**Our Christian Value this half term is Courage – ‘Be of good courage and he shall**

**strengthen your heart, all you who hope in the Lord’ Psalm 27:14**

We have had a very busy start to our first half term of the academic year. The children have settled back into their new classes quickly and I have been pleased with the attitudes towards their learning, demonstrated by children across school.

A number of new children have started at Holy Trinity between Years 2 – 5 and we would like to welcome the children and their families to our school community. We hope parents found the curriculum meetings at the start of term useful.

School has already had some curriculum visitors and workshops in school. Our children thoroughly enjoyed the “Show Racism the Red Card” workshops and assembly and were very reflective and sensitive when discussing stereotypes and non negotiable opinions, language.

**PTA** – I would like to thank our wonderful PTA for all their hard work, time and effort in organising and running the “Colour Run” We were fortunate as the sun shone! The children were very excited and the day ran smoothly and successfully with the help of so many parents. The committee will be also busy this term with the Mayoral Procession, Cuckfield Bonfire, Christmas Shopping Day and the Christmas Fair still to organise and run! Some of these events raise money to support additional resources for all of our children, but also give our children a lot of enjoyment. We are very appreciative of all the PTA do on behalf of our children.



**Prefects & Ambassadors** – A huge number of Year 6 children applied to become prefects this year. These children come into school at 8.30am every school morning and help teachers across school prepare for the start of the day by setting out resources, sticking

Learning Challenges into younger children's books, sharpening pencils. These prefects really help teachers; we appreciate all that they contribute to the life of our school and are very proud of them.

We also had a high number of applications from Year 6 to become our Ambassadors for the year. They prepared power points and speeches and linking in with the British Value of democracy, children and staff voted for who they thought would make a good Ambassador for the school. It was a very hard decision, as all of the children spoke very well. We know all of the Ambassadors will make a positive contribution to our school. We also have appointed some neuro diversity champions, who will be planning assemblies.

**Holy Trinity Ambassadors 2023 – 2024 – Zaara, Ruby, Annabelle, Libby, Scarlett, Martha, Edie, Isabel, Lily, George T, George K, Stanley, Euan, Alastair, Benjie**



**Congratulations** to four of our Year 5 children who represented Holy Trinity at a recent maths challenge held at Christ's Hospital. There were over 60 teams in the competition from state and independent prep schools. Both of our Holy Trinity teams did extremely well being in the top half of the schools who entered. Congratulations to Poppy & James who took 6<sup>th</sup> place!



**Poppy & James**

**Toby & Francesca**

**Year 6 –** Year 6 had a World War I enrichment day, which links in with their core text "Stay Where You Are, Then Leave." They learned about sending messages using flags & torches, bandaging wounds, all the kit needed by soldiers at that time and looking at the weapons used at that time.





The art work completed by Year 6 this half term, has been of a particularly high standard. The children have produced some beautiful and detailed pen sketches of poppies, learning about why poppies are important and that they are sold to commemorate Remembrance Sunday.





**Pine Class using mathematical resources to explain their thinking**



**Rowan Class working together to find the missing word, so the sentence makes sense Year 2**



**Elder Class practicing balancing, moving backwards and jumping in PE geography**



**Hawthorn learned about the countries in the UK last week and are discovering the capital cities of those countries this week in**

**Reception** children are settling in, getting used to school routines and working with old and new friends. The children have been completing their Baseline Assessments and starting to learn their phonic sounds.









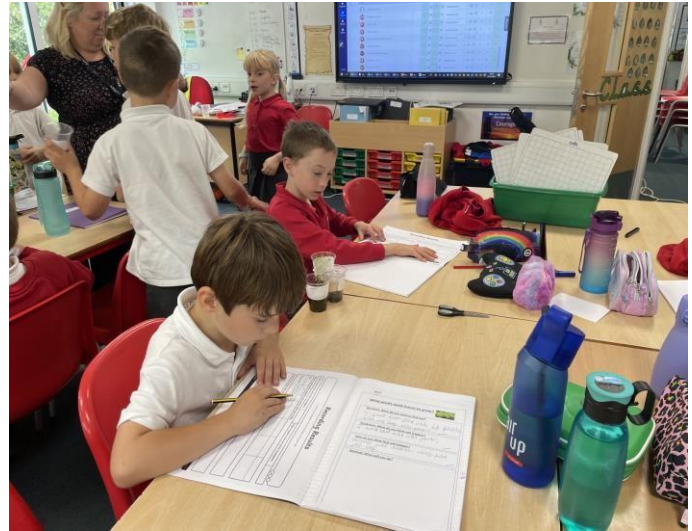
Reception are certainly busy bees!



### Year 3



Juniper Class are learning to add, bridging the tens  
Year 1



Lime Class are looking at which soil plants grow best in



Damson Class are finding objects in PE to match a picture to them.



Chestnut Class are enjoying being in our woods! shown

Year 4 - Year 4 had an amazing school visit to Woods Mill! They are learning about classification of animals-vertebrates/ invertebrates, as well as enjoying lots of other 'hands on' tasks.





**INSET DAYS –Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November, Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February, Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June, Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

**03:10:2023 – Year 4 visit to Woods Mill**

**04:10:2023 – Year 2 Sussex Wildlife Day**

**06:10:2023 – Rainbow Reps & School Council announced**

**09:10:2023 – Harvest Festival Services KS1 9.30am, KS2 10.30am**

**10:10:2023 – Year 1 visit to Drusillas**

**13:10:2023 – Dress Down for inflatables**

**21:10:2023 – Mayoral Procession**

**23:10:2023 – 27:10:2023 Half Term**

**31:10:2023 – Flu vaccinations**

**02:11:2023 – Open Afternoon – Reception, Y2,4,6**

**03:11:2023 – Open Afternoon – Y1,3, 5**

**13:11:2023 – Anti Bullying Week**

**13:11:2023 – Parent Consultations**

**14:11:2023 – School Photographs**

**15:11:2023 – Parent Consultations**

**28:11:2023 – Christmas Craft Day**

**01:12:2023 – Ambassadors to decorate Christmas Tree in the hall**

**07:12:2023 9.30am Reception Nativity , KS1 Nativity 2.00pm**

**08:12:2023 – Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Shopping Day**

**11:12:2023 – KS1 Nativity 9.30am, Reception Nativity 2.00pm**

**12:12:2023 – Pantomime in School KS1 am, KS2 pm**

**13:12:2023 Reception Nativity 9.30am, KS1 2.00pm**

**14:12:2023 – Christmas Party Day**

**15:12:2023 – Reception & KS1 Christingle Service 9.30am, KS2 Christingle 11.00am**

**15:12:2023 – Christmas Lunch**

**15:12:2023 – End of Term**