



Holy Trinity Newsletter

3rd December 2021

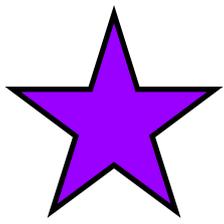
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NEXT WEEK - VISITORS, COMMUNITY EVENTS & CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT

Friday 10th December	All	Christmas Jumper and Christmas lunch day
Saturday 11th December	All	Holy Trinity Church, 11.00am-1.30pm

	Dates for the Diary
D E C	Tuesday 14th Dec - Rec & Year 6 The Chelsea Theatre
	Thursday 16th Dec - Christmas Concert, at Christ Church , Church 2.30pm
	Friday 17th Dec - Christmas and Christingle service at , Holy Trinity Church 9.30am
	Friday 17th Dec - End of Autumn Term - School finishes at 1.30pm (NO CHILDCARE OR CLUBS ON THIS DAY)
J A N	Tuesday 4th Jan - Back to School
	Tuesday 4th Jan - Year 1 at Forest School, pm
	Tuesday 11th Jan - Year 1 at Forest School, pm
	Tuesday 18th Jan - Year 1 at Forest School, pm
	Tuesday 25th Jan - Year 1 at Forest School, pm

Student of the week	
Reception:	Lylia & Joshua
Year 1:	Christopher & Walter
Year 2:	Anna & Aurelia
Year 3:	Isabella & Ismaeel
Year 4:	Nathan & Kennai
Year 5:	Marin & Yasin
Year 6:	Jacob & Freddie



OUR SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES

Twitter: [@ccht federation](https://twitter.com/ccht federation) 

Federation Instagram: [@ccht federation](https://www.instagram.com/ccht federation) 

School Kitchen Instagram: [@christchurchschoolkitchen](https://www.instagram.com/christchurchschoolkitchen) 

POSITIVE TEST RESULTS REMINDER



If your child is unwell with any Covid symptoms, please ensure that you have them Covid tested.

In addition to this, if your child tests positive with a lateral flow test, then they must have it confirmed with a PCR. Any siblings in the home must also take a PCR test and stay at home until they receive their results. If it is negative, then they are free to return to school, but it is advisable to take regular lateral flow tests for the 10 days their sibling is isolating. If a parent in the home tests positive, then you must test your children using a PCR test and receive a negative result before returning to school.

Philosophy For Children



Each week in the newsletter, we will pose a question..... remember, listen and respect each other's views!

If you find something, is it yours?

Have a lovely weekend!


22 sleeps until Christmas!


Message for Y6 and Reception Parents

The Shepherds and Sheep have been making lovely Christmas cards for "Elders" who may be lonely at Christmas. The children have worked brilliantly as pairs writing lovely messages and decorating their cards. These are going to go into Christmas hampers that are being made by Age UK and we are asking the children to bring in small donations if they can too. They could bring small toiletries, small chocolate treats or maybe a little candle etc.

If you are able to help with this special collection, please bring your donation to school to give to your class teacher by Monday 6th December as they will be collected on Wednesday 8th December.



CHRISTMAS CAROLS AT PETER JONES CANCELLED



Please note that due to Covid restrictions, Peter Jones have cancelled the choir singing at Peter Jones on Thursday 9th December.

We have decided that the choir can still perform but in Pavilion Road behind Peter Jones at 4-4.30pm. we plan to have hot chocolate and some Christmas cards on sale.

Please do come along and join us if you can.

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IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF A RELIABLE ELECTRICIAN - CALL



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...Make the World Better With a Sweater...www.savethechildren.org.uk CBSbutler

Friday, 10th December

On Friday next week, for a donation of **£1**, children may come to school in their **Christmas jumpers!** Don't worry if you haven't got a Christmas jumper—a bright coloured jumper or a jumper that you could jazz up with something sparkly will be fine!

Please pay your £1 donation to Save the Children via the School Gateway.

All money raised will be donated to Save the Children. For more information go to www.christmasjumperday.org/

CHRIST CHURCH, ST NICHOLAS SCHOOL FAIR

SATURDAY 11TH DECEMBER



Christ Church School,
1.00 - 3.00pm

ALL WELCOME!

Message from school governor Vicki Lant on behalf of the Kensington & Chelsea Foodbank

Advent is upon us and we are already thinking about stocking up the December larder for the Kensington and Chelsea Foodbank (K&CFB). The Church Times this week has identified that use of Foodbanks has already exceeded pre-Brexit and pandemic levels. As all the reductions in credit support and rises in fuel and other family essentials bite, our contributions to K&CFB are an essential lifeline to increasing numbers of people in our community.

Susannah the manager is asking for the same larder staples as we requested from you in November:

Long life Milk

Long life fruit Juice

Tinned meats

Tinned fish

Dried rice

Tinned fruit

Coffee

Honey

Chocolate spread/Peanut butter

Cooking oil

Rice pudding

Custard

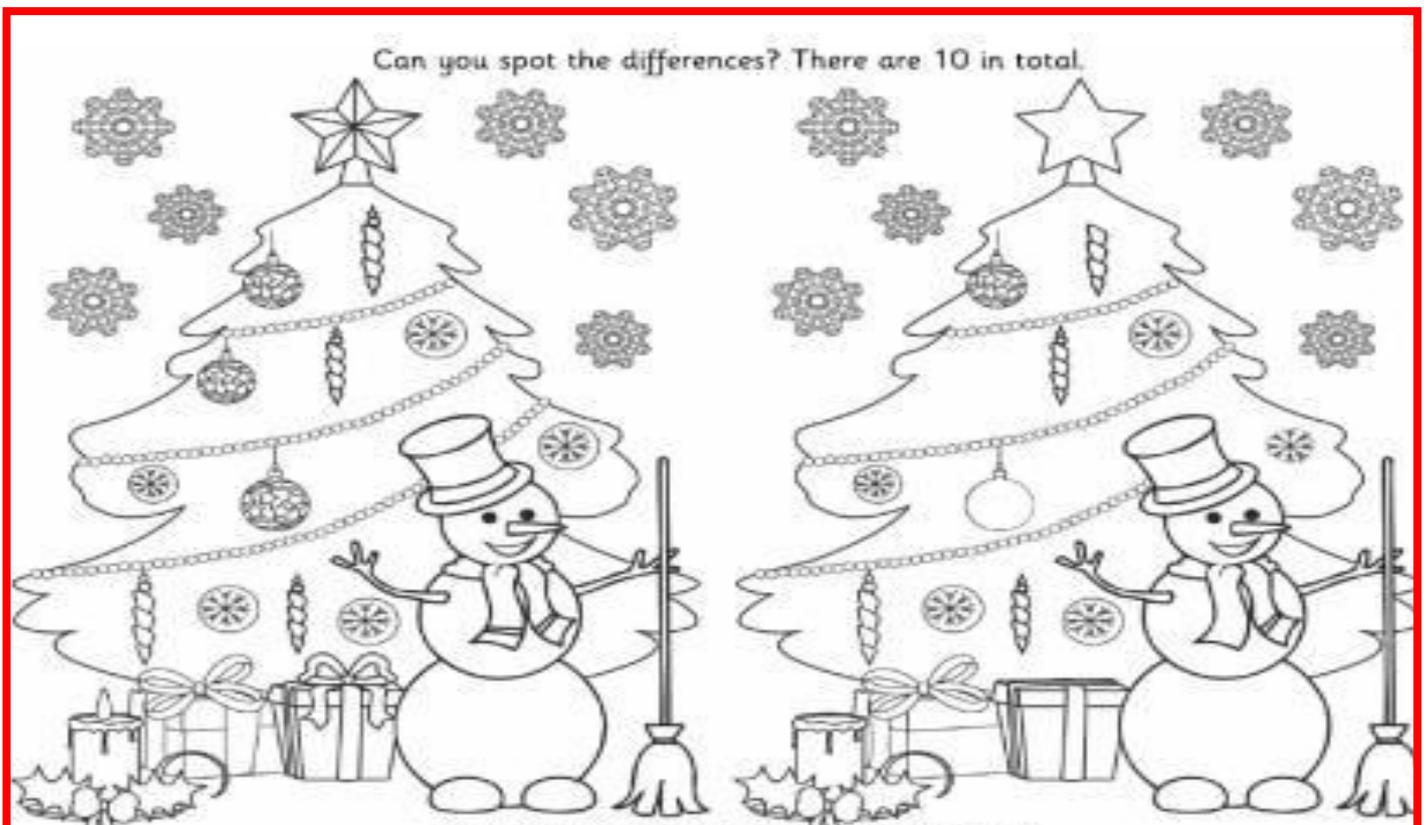
Washing up liquid, washing powder, shower gel, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste.

Any warm clothes that are in good condition and freshly laundered, would be welcome in separate bags.

But as it's Christmas, might you also add some small gifts for children (leave unwrapped), maybe Christmas stockings and for families, tins of chocolates, biscuits or well protected cake? Please don't send mince pies that crush easily or other food/cakes in flimsy boxes that may spoil (even if they have a long sell-by date).

You can bring your gifts into Holy Trinity from Thursday 2nd December from 10.00 – 17.00 and on Sunday 5th around the 11.00 Eucharist Service. Thank you so much for your generous help as always.

Giving Tuesday *doubles donations* for 7 days until 6 December 2021 – to GLASS DOOR



DH-SPORTS COACHING CHRISTMAS FOOTBALL CAMP



DH-Sports will be running a football camp on **Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st December**. The camp will run from 9.45am to 2.45pm and will take place at Battersea Park by the Albert Bridge car park.

The camp will consist of skills, fun games and small sided matches delivered by fully qualified and first aid trained coaches.

Our prices for the camp are as follows:

Two Full days	£40
Full day	£20
Half Day 9.45am-12.15pm or 12.45-2.45pm	£10

We will also offer siblings discounts too.

If your child is aged between 4 and 14 years of age and you would like to book a place for them on our camp, please call Dean Henwood on 07772547192 or email on dhenwood@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk

Regards

Dean Henwood (DH-Sports Coaching)

Final Day of the Elf Auction!



<https://www.32auctions.com/CCHTelfauction2021>

The **ELF AUCTION** is in full swing and we are over half way to our target total of £6,000 for Reception Class resources. With less than a day to go we would like to encourage everyone to take a look at the fabulous lots on offer:

- A night time tour of the Christmas Lights around London's west end in a black cab - hot chocolate included!
- An enviable Christmas cheese board to be hand picked by you from London Cheesemongers.
- A 3-course lunch for two, including wine, at Michelin starred restaurant, Elystan Street.
- Hand painted Christmas baubles
- Homemade Christmas pudding and Christmas Cake
- Tickets to Christmas Carols at the Royal Albert Hall
- A Family pass to Winter Wonderland, including the real Ice Slide and Zippos Circus.
- Magnums of vintage Red wine.

There is something for everyone and all price ranges, so head to the site for some unique and creative ideas and gifts but more importantly you will be helping to embed an important legacy for generations of children to walk through the doors of CCHT. With these funds we will provide important playtime and learning resources for our early years. Our schools rely heavily on our combined fundraising efforts and what better time to start than the jolly season of goodwill - a time for giving and a time for gifting (and gift-aiding).

If you prefer not to bid on an auction lot, you can still make a charitable donation via the green **DONATE** button on the top right hand side of the auction page.

This year's Reception Class Elves would like to raise much-needed funds for outdoor play on the Beach, in Cadogan Gardens playground and in the classrooms. We are interested in looking at how children can take ownership of the resources they use for play and would like to provide the children with more open-ended play equipment. On this wish list includes Bebots, construction bricks and wooden blocks, outdoor weaving looms, cascading water kits, role play items such as cement mixers and road signs and magnetic tiles and phonics lozenges as well as sand and water sets.

We thank you very much for putting forward all these wonderful lots, so please dig deep and bid high. We appreciate we are asking a lot from parents at this time of year but in doing so we are set on making ever evolving improvements on our children's education.

Thank you for your continued support, and remember, the **auction closes at 7pm tonight!**

Holy Trinity Christmas Fair is fast approaching

Saturday 11th December 11am – 1.30pm

There will be a whole host of wonderful and jam packed Christmas games and festive fun for families throughout the afternoon. Come and meet Father Christmas in his Grotto, enjoy some delicious food and drink, there will be a mulled wine stand, hot chocolate, tea and coffee and the CCHT Choir will be singing carols. The children's and grown up's favourite stalls will be there including the chocolate tombola, bottle tombola, face painting, homemade cake & bake stall offering treats as Christmas gifts and the Church Christmas Raffle draw with fabulous prizes to be won.

Thank you to all our Parent Coordinators who have been busy behind the scenes rallying volunteers for the day and also to help set up and clear away after the event. We rely on our parents for the smooth running of this event and we know how much work is involved so thank you all very much.

A little reminder as to what stall each year group is in charge of and what there is to do:

YR & Y1 – the Chocolate Tombola

- Organised by your parent coordinators, we will need to collect a lot of **Christmas Chocolate** please, for example advent calendars, giant Father Christmas's or Snowmen, chocolate reindeer, bags of chocolate coins or chocolate brussell sprouts, or even tins of Quality Streets. The choice is yours as long as it is chocolate and it is Christmas Chocolate. Please remember the amount of chocolate will need to be monitored before the event to make sure we have enough!
- Please arrange for volunteers to come and stick on raffle tickets to the chocolate closer to the event. Parent Coordinators will kindly arrange this.
- Volunteers are also required to man the stall and be in charge of collecting money on the day. We will provide you with a float.

Y2 – The Lucky Dip

- Organised by your parent coordinators, we will need to collect small prizes for the children's lucky dip. These can include stickers, a pencil, a chocolate treat, a mini note pad or key ring. A small little token for the children to enjoy.
- Please can the parent coordinators also arrange for volunteers to man the stall and be in charge of collecting money on the day. We will provide you with a float.

Y3 & 4 - the Bottle Tombola

- Organised by your parent coordinators, we will need to collect a lot of **Bottles** please, for example champagne, wine, beer, spirits (but definitely not exclusively). We will also welcome all sorts of cordial, juice, shampoo, shower gel, bubble bath, body lotion....even fairy liquid or hand sanitizer. As long as it is a full, unopened bottle it will be accepted into the tombola. Parent coordinators of these year groups please tell your year groups how and where you would like to collect the bottles – please remember the amount of bottles will need to be monitored before the event to make sure we have enough!
- Please could parent coordinators arrange for volunteers to come and stick on raffle tickets to the bottles closer to the event.
- Volunteers are also required to man the stall and be in charge of collecting money on the day. We will provide you with a float.

Y5 & 6 – the Homemade Cake Stall

- Coordinated by your parent coordinators, we will need a selection of homemade bakes or Christmas creations for this stall but also to be presented in a way that could be a lovely gift. We would love homemade donations of Christmas Cakes or Christmas puddings, boxes of homemade mince pies, cupcakes or brownies, jars of spiced nuts or granola, even jams, jellies, chutneys or pesto. Homemade boxes of fudge, truffles or even jars of old fashioned sweets or shortbreads. Infused oils, cheese biscuits, jars of olives or cheese straws – all of the above!
- Please could items be dropped off at school either on Friday 10th December or before the start of the fair.
- Please could parent coordinators arrange for volunteers to man the stall.

If you are unable to make the Fair but would like to make a donation for the chocolate or bottle tombola, homemade cake stall or make a donation for prizes for the children then please contact Katie Rose krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk. Thank you very much and we look forward to seeing you all there.

**Raffle Tickets for our Christmas Raffle 2021
are now on sale on the School Gateway!!!**



£3 per strip or £5 for two strips

Prizes include:

- Afternoon Tea for Two at the Belmond Cadogan Hotel
- White Company Candles
- £50 Amazon Voucher
- Fortnum & Mason Hamper
- One bottle of champagne
- Luxury box of chocolates
- Two Handmade Bird Feeders
- Peter Jones Voucher
- and many, many more...



Year 5 - Victorian tour of Sloane Square





Year 4 at Hooke Court



"We had so much fun at Hooke Court. We had to go to Tudor school where we did weaving, writing and boat making. I really liked the banquet! We had to eat with our hands" - Eden, Year 4



*"We had lots of playtime at Hooke Court. I really liked making pictures from brass rubbings and getting to eat with our hands".
Max, Year 4*



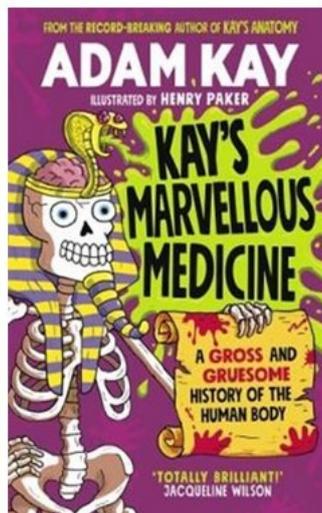


Recommended Read



Kay's Marvellous Medicine (ages 9-11 & up)

Author: Adam Kay Illustrator: Henry Paker Publisher: Puffin



Did you know that in the 15th century, a popular book entitled *The Distaff Gospels* advised pregnant women not to eat fruit, and to definitely not eat fish heads – because they would make the new baby's mouth too pointy?

Did you also know that in the Middle Ages, people believed that our brains were powered by spirits moving around inside them? Or that in Australia, there exists a brain-eating amoeba (luckily it's incredibly rare)?

If your children aren't already whizzes at medical facts and the history of medicine (and who is?), then they might like to brush up with Adam Kay's completely marvellous and very funny book. Covering the brain, circulation, bones, liver and kidneys, reproduction, skin, lungs, the gut, and much more, Kay explains some of the odd things that doctors in the past believed about the body and how illnesses worked, as well as teaching children about some of the truly brilliant people who made scientific discoveries in the area of medicine.



Weekly Headlines



Most	Fastest	Most	Rank Amongst Local schools
Year 6 EH 95.59%	Year 6 EH (2.21 sec/q)	Year 2 ZP 67 %	18/30

Individual Class Leaderboards

Holy Trinity

Year 2 ZP	Year 3 JD	Year 4 EA	Year 5 CH	Year 6 TM
Mohammed	Annabel	Ziyad	Zaki	Leonardo

Christ Church

Year 2 MK	Year 3 EH	Year 4 NK	Year 5 MB	Year 6 EH
Yaseen	Ellie	Maia	Anna	Clara



Weekly Headlines



Holy Trinity

Year 1 MQ	Year 2 ZP	Year 3 JD	Year 4 EA	Year 5 CH	Year 6 TM
Julian	Anastasia				

Christ Church

Year 1 OD	Year 2 MK	Year 3 EH	Year 4 NK	Year 5 MB	Year 6 EH
Rowan	Charlie	Kristian	Rosa	Adam	

Christmas Dates at Holy Trinity 2021



We really look forward to inviting you to several Christmas Events over the next three weeks. We are not anticipating having to massively change our planning due to new covid regulations, but we may well need you to wear masks for indoor events.



Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day Friday 10th December

This event is for our children. Please bring £1 in aid of Save the Children. Delicious Christmas lunch will be served for everyone.



Christmas Fairs Saturday 11th December

Holy Trinity Fair in the Church 11am-1.30pm &

Christ Church Fair 1pm-3pm in Christ Church School and Church



Come to our fairs with lots of fun activities, stalls, and refreshments. Look for all the information in this week's newsletter.

The CCHT Choir will sing at 12.30pm and then they will walk to Christ Church alongside Mrs. Santa and Father Christmas who will be in a horse drawn carriage travelling down the King's Road to the Christ Church Fair!

Holy Trinity Christmas Concert held at Christ Church Church Thursday 16th December 2.30pm

All parents welcome to this special whole school event in the Church.

Holy Trinity Christmas and Christingle Candlelit Assembly Friday 17th December 9.30am

All parents and friends of the school welcome.



End of Term Friday 17th December at 1.30pm



Friday 3rd December 2021

Learning in Reception

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we have focused on:

Literacy- This week, we have commenced a new storybook 'The Christmas Jolly Postman'. The children have been writing Christmas cards, decorating the front cover of a Christmas card and writing letters to Santa.

Alphabet Code- This week's new sounds are: /y/, /z/, /zz/. We have now finished all of our alphabet sounds and next week we will start teaching the children some diagraphs (two letters- one sound).

Sounds learnt so far:

s	a	t	p	i	n	m	d	g	o
c	k	ck	e	u	r	h	b	f	ff
l	ll	ss	j	v	w	x	y	z	zz

Tricky words:

the	to	I	my	me	he	she	said	of	is	was

Maths- We have continued to make patterns using shapes, colours and people! The children teamed up and came up with their own pattern. We were so impressed with their ideas!

Science- This week, the children have played with their own shadows. They have observed how their shapes change in length and move around as they move.

Holy Trinity Christmas Concert

When: Thursday 16th December

Time: 2:30 pm

Where: Christ Church Church- Christchurch Street, SW3 4AS.

Reception children will be singing 'Away in a Manger'. They will borrow the nativity scene costumes from school.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Martin



Learning at Holy Trinity in Year 1

Friday 3rd December 2021

This week in English, we thought about how Stick Man would be feeling at different points in the story. We played hot seating, where one partner pretends to be Stick Man and answers questions in character. This helped us when writing our letters to Stick Lady Love. We needed to write in first person, pretending to be Stick Man and detailing all of the things that had happened to us. We then went on a quick visit to Cadogan Gardens to find the perfect sticks to create our own Stick Man characters. This helped us to build a description of our own character for our very own Stick Man story.

In Maths, we have begun looking at **numbers to 20**. This week we discovered that numbers to 20 are made of ten and some more. We started to look at **place value** and identifying how many tens and ones there are in a given number up to 20. Next week, we look at one more, one less and comparing numbers before moving on to addition strategies within 20.

In Alphabet Code, we continued to investigate all the codes for the /er/ sound. We discovered **er** as in letter, **or** as in work, **ear** as in earth, **ur** as in nurse and **ir** as in girl.

In History, we got into the role of Guy Fawkes and wrote a diary entry from the Tower of London. We tried to include how we were feeling and details of the Gunpowder Plot.

In Science this week we made charoset, a Jewish dish usually prepared for Passover. Our science topic is celebrations so we thought about how and why food is used in different celebrations. We then thought about where our foods come from. We discovered that lots of the food we eat every day comes from different parts of plants. We also made links to our senses, describing the taste, smell and texture of the food.

Have a lovely weekend 😊

Reminders:

PE days are Tuesday and Friday.

Reading books must come in on Mondays.

Holy Trinity Christmas Concert will be held at Christ Church Church at 2:30pm on Thursday 16th December.



Learning at Holy Trinity in Year 2

Friday 3rd December 2021

During English, we have been considering our vocabulary choices. We have been using thesaurus and researching synonyms for words that appear regularly in our writing. Please continue to read widely to stretch our vocabulary. A brilliant way to do this is to read regularly. We used our interesting adjectives to describe our sea animals using expanded noun phrases. Our favorites include: 'The gentle navy sea sat softly, calmly and patiently waiting for a visitor to come to it.' Well done Aurora.



In Math's, we have been exploring division through sharing equally. We have been relating our division and multiplication facts. For example, we found sharing 12 treats by 3 children ($12 \div 3 = 4$) is the same as four groups of 3 is equal to 4 ($4 \times 3 = 12$). We then developed our understanding through word problems. Keep using TTRS and getting lots of practice of our multiplication facts.



In RE this week, we enjoyed making our own Christingles. We then considered the symbolism and meaning behind each aspect. For example, the candle is used to represent Jesus as the light of the world. This opened interesting class discussions based on our Christmas unit.



Reminders: Christmas lunch and jumper day-Friday 10th December.

Good questions to ask your child this week are:

- Who is Mary Seacole?
- What does the red ribbon represent on a Christingle?
- What does 'divided by' mean?

Have a lovely weekend 😊



03rd December 2021

Learning in Year Three

We have had a great week in Year 3, working hard and talking about what makes a good friend. It has been impressive to see how our times tables practise is paying off, with great times tables rockstars and tests results. Keep it up Year 3!

In English we had fun creating our own hybrid animal, combining three existing animals to create a new one. We came up with some amazing combinations, illustrations and new creature names. We have now started our non-chronological report of our animals, being careful to use paragraphs and technical language.

In maths we started looking at multiplication and division. Our topic began by looking at commutative law and creating arrays for multiplications. We had a brilliant first week!

In science we found ourselves orbiting the sun in our solar system! We had a look to see what was out there, how the planets differed from one another and why Mercury's orbit is so different compared to Neptune's. We would love to explore our solar system at home, here is the link we used: <https://solarsystem.nasa.gov/planets/overview/>

We have been working hard in swimming and making progress! A special shout out goes to those who achieved their 20m and 100m badges! What fantastic swimmers we all are.

Reminders:

- **Please make sure your child comes to swimming with a swimming hat (if they've got long hair) and goggles.** Lots of us are ready to put our heads under the water but we would prefer to have goggles!
- **Thursday 16th December:** Christmas Concert at Christchurch Church 2:30pm Children need to bring in party clothes (and jewels) for their song. **Please bring the costume in by Monday 13th.**

- *Good questions to ask your child this week are:*
- What else is out there in our solar system?
- What is commutative law?
- Why was Mary chosen to be Jesus's mother?

You have all had a marvellous week, well done! Have a fun weekend! 😊



Learning in Year 4 at Holy Trinity

Friday 3rd December

Year Four had an amazing three days in Hooke Court, Dorset, last week. We travelled back in time to the Tudor Period and experienced what it would have been like to go to Tudor school. We took part in a range of activities including; building Tudor galleons, making candles, writing using calligraphy, baking knot biscuits and even attending a Tudor banquet!

In English, we have been comparing different advertisements and identifying their key features, including; catchy slogans, emotive language, rhetorical questions and pictures. We then used exaggeration and rhetorical questions to persuade our audience to buy a pair of school shoes.

In Maths, we have been practising our times tables. This week we explored all the patterns we could identify between different times tables. We learned that a factor in maths is one of two or more numbers that divides a given number without a remainder. We then used plastic cubes to make arrays to show the different factors of the number 12.

In RE, we looked at the Beatitudes and considered how these wise words help Christians live life to the full and make good decisions. We then thought about how these principles are linked to Peace at Christmas. We explored what it means to experience both internal and external peace. In History, we reflected on our Hooke Court trip and shared new facts that we learnt and information we had found surprising. We explained which part of the trip was our favourite part and why.

Good questions to ask your child this week:

- What is your current writing target in English?
- What did the Tudors exchange in return for foreign spices?
- Where did Jesus share the Beatitudes?

Reminders:

- Year Four had a superb time on school journey last week. Thank you so much for all your support!
- Homework is due in on Mondays and will be sent home on Tuesdays.
- Please do encourage and support your child to write in their reading record each week.
- Homework club takes place on Tuesday after school.

Term of the week: rhetorical question- a question asked in order to create a dramatic effect or to make a point, rather than to get an answer.



Learning in Year 5 at Holy Trinity
Friday 3rd December

This week in English, we discussed the different ways to add extra information into a sentence including subordinate conjunctions, appositives (noun phrases) and relative clauses. We practised adding appositives into sentences, making sure to use commas to separate the extra information from the main sentence.

In Maths, we have moved onto fractions. We revised what a fraction is (equal parts of a whole) and how it is different from a whole number. We then learnt about mixed numbers, which is a whole number and a fraction, in a picture form and on a number line.

In Science, we made a mixture of Alien Soup but shortly realised we had put in too much salt. So, we had to investigate how to separate the mixture by removing each ingredient separately! We had to think about which equipment would be best suited to removing particular ingredients and why - for example a sieve could separate rice from the mixture because the rice is bigger than the holes in the sieve, however it doesn't work for sand because the sand is smaller.

In History, we listened to the story *Oliver Twist*, which highlights the struggle of a poor child in the Victorian Era. We then used the computers to research Victorian Workhouses, what they were used for and the advantages/disadvantages.

On Tuesday, we were lucky to be guided around Chelsea by Nadia, a blue-badge holder who knows everything about London! On our walk, we saw evidence of the Victorians in London including the doorknobs, shoe cleaners on the porch, stable doors which are now garages and water fountains to help provide clean water. We were also lucky enough to go and see the river that flows right through Sloane Square Station, which is hidden from the public.

To be returned by Friday 10th December - ALL Jane Pinny books need to be returned.

Reminders:

- Homework is due on Fridays
- Dance on Mondays this term - wear PE kit
- Art - bring in materials to use for our art project
- Thursday 16th December - Christmas concert at Christ Church (SW34AS)



Have a great weekend,
Miss Harman



**Learning at Holy Trinity
Friday 3rd December 2021**

In English, we magpie ideas from an interview with an evacuee, to help gather information from different people's experiences, to help us conjure ideas for our own letter writing. On Tuesday, we worked as a class to write collaboratively, looking at how we can include each of the writing features we have looked at this term. By Friday we were ready to plan and write our informal letter independently, using the different sentence structures we have learnt (embedded clauses, adverbials, 'ing' verbs, passive tense). We have been able to draw on all the knowledge we have of evacuees from both our English and History lessons.

In Maths, we have been focusing on subtraction this week, starting off by revising subtraction of 2- and 3-digit numbers, in addition to decimal and whole numbers. Moving on to looking at the inverse to help us solve missing number calculations and word problems.

In Science, we learned all about the electric eel, did you know it can produce between 5 and 800 volts, enough to kill an adult human! We spoke about how scientists had used the studies carried out on the eel, using the structure of the electric eel to create a soft pacemaker. We looked at how we can use the proper symbols of an electric circuit in our diagrams.

In Shepherds and Sheep, we have been busy finishing off our cards for elders. Using paint, we decorated baubles using our fingers, our cards look wonderful, we look forward to being able to share them with the elders.

In Art, we spent our time planning our cereal boxes, thinking about the composition and colours we would use in our designs. We were set the challenge of coming up with a catchy name, image or mascot and slogan. Using bubble writing or other pop art style fonts we drafted the name and a slogan that people would remember. Year 6 will make fantastic advertisers. We can't wait to begin our final products next week.

In RE, we have continued with our Christmas unit, analysing some Christmas advertisements, thinking about whether they communicate the Christmas message or whether they may hold Christian virtues instead of directly sharing the Christian message of Christmas. Then we looked at the meanings the different gospel narratives give to Christmas.

In History, we learnt about some of the roles that women took on during the War. By analysing different sources of evidence, we learnt about the Women's Land Army and some of the challenges they faced. Many women had to be trained into new roles early on during the war, most of these women had not worked in these areas before, many found this exciting, whilst others we challenged. We came up with some fantastic questions for us to further research.

In SPAG, we did a spelling test practising out words and revised our new words.

Enjoy a wonderful weekend!

- Please make sure your child is practising times tables and reading **every day**.
- Please collect newspapers for a history lesson next week.
- Please do not forget to bring in a small gift to send to the elders in our hamper.