

Holy Trinity Newsletter

4th November 2022

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NEXT WEEK—VISITORS, COMMUNITY EVENTS & CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT

Monday 7th November	Year 5	Fulham Palace, am
Tuesday 8th November	Year 1 & 3	Pre booked Parent meetings
Tuesday 8th November	Year 4	Paper Engineering Workshop
Tuesday 8th November	Year 6	The National Army Museum, am
Tuesday 8th November	Rec & Year 4	Pre booked Parent meetings
Wednesday 9th November	Years 2,5 & 6	Pre booked Parent meetings
Wednesday 9th November	Year 4	Cinema trip, am
Thursday 10th November	Year 1	Cinema trip, am
Friday 11th November	All	Remembrance Assembly as part of Special Mentions 2.45pm
Friday 11th November	Years 5 & 6	Cinema trip, am

Dates for your diary

Mon 14th - Fri 18th - Friendship Week
Monday 14th - Year 4 visit to the Chelsea Physic Garden, pm
Monday 14th - Year 3 at Fulham Palace, am
Monday 14th - Year 6 at The Poppy Factory, All day
Tuesday 15th - Reception, Years 1 & 3 Parents meetings (2nd date)
Tuesday 15th - Years 2 & 3 cinema trip, am
Wednesday 16th - Years 2, 5 & 6 Parent meetings (2nd date)
Thursday 17th - Year 4 Parent meetings (2nd date)
Thursday 17th - Reception Class cinema trip, am
Thursday 17th - Year 1 at The Tower Of London, all day
Fri 18th - Thurs 24th - Book Fair, Cadogan Gardens Building
Friday 18th - Children In Need
Mon 21st - Fri 25th - RE Week
Monday 21st - Nasal Flu Vaccines, school nurse
Wed 23rd - Fri 25th - Year 4 at Hooke Court
Tuesday 29th - Year 4 visit to the Army Museum, pm

Wednesday 7th - Year 3 at the Jewish Museum, all day
Saturday 10th - Federation Christmas fair at Christ Church
Tuesday 13th - Year 5 at the Army Museum, pm
Friday 16th - Last day of term for Christmas holidays,
school finishes at 1.30pm on this day and there will be no clubs.
Mon 17th Dec - Tues 3rd Jan - Christmas holidays

Students Of The Week



Reception Class: Aurelia & Nevaeh-Rose

Year 1: Noah. A & Conor

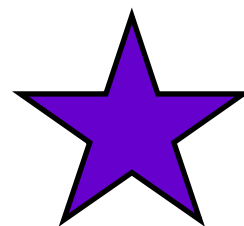
Year 2: Noah & Jhosselin

Year 3: Aurora & Alisa

Year 4: Freddie & Isabel

Year 5: Janet & Astar

Year 6: Nahla & Yasin



Friday 11th November
 2.45pm Holy Trinity Church



Please join us next Friday at Holy Trinity Church for our Special Mentions assembly. We will come together to celebrate our achievements in the usual way, but will also be led in prayer to remember those who have died in wars and conflicts.

Follow us on our social media platforms:



@cchtfederation
 @christchurchschoolkitchen



Uniform Reminder

We are now into autumn term 2 and the children should all be wearing their winter uniforms, no more summers dresses and shorts please. Please send your children to school in the correct uniform on the correct days. Follow the timetables your teachers have sent home for PE and uniform.

Reception children should wear the school track suit please.

Winter Uniform Year 1 - Year 6

Boys - KS1 & KS2			Girls - KS1 & KS2		
					
red jumper	navy trousers	white shirt	red jumper	navy skirt/pinafore	white shirt
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> navy blue or red socks (white socks are <u>not</u> school uniform!) 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> navy blue or red socks/ tights and navy blue or black shoes navy blue or red hair accessories only! 		
					
					
					

PE Kit and Reception Class uniform

- blue logo polo shirt and jumper
- plain blue tracksuit bottoms

No logos on tracksuit bottoms please!



Winter coats and accessories

We would like to remind you that coats should either be the school coat or a plain navy blue one - no fur collars please.

When it is cold the children may wear either the school hat or a plain navy blue or red hat.



The children can have a blue or red school bag.





essential SAFETY TIPS for Bonfire Night



Don't build a bonfire too high

Always ensure your fire is built in an open space and not too close to houses, hedges, fences or sheds



Never light a bonfire with petrol

Or any flammable liquid, instead use domestic fire lighters and never throw aerosol cans or tyres onto a fire



Keep a bucket of water nearby

Ensure you have a hosepipe or bucket of water on hand in case of an emergency



Only buy fireworks with the BS7114 kitemark

Be sure to store them in a cool, dry box



Never go near a firework that has been lit

Even if the firework hasn't gone off, it can still explode



When a sparkler goes out, do not touch it

It could still burn you so be sure to place it in a bucket of cold water



Never give sparklers to a child under 5

And teach children to hold them at arm's length



INDIVIDUAL PARENT MEETINGS

Tues 8th November - Thurs 17th November

We would like to invite you to book a parent meeting to discuss how your child has settled into the new academic year. The meeting will last for 12 minutes, so please use the time wisely and have your questions prepared beforehand. These meetings will take place in person and may be booked using 'SchoolCloud'.

Please browse to :

<https://holytrinity.schoolcloud.co.uk> and complete the details requested. You can then click on the date you wish to book and you will receive a confirmation email. If you have any problems logging on then please contact msheahan@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk

Please remember to use the email address that you have given the school as it needs to match the contact we have on record.

Reception Class

Tues 8th November and Tues 15th November

Year 1

Tues 8th November and Tues 15th November

Year 2

Wed 9th November and Wed 16th November

Year 3

Tues 8th November and Tues 15th November

Year 4

Thur 10th November and Thur 17th November

Year 5

Wed 9th November and Wed 16th November

Year 6

Wed 9th November and Wed 16th November



Friday 18th November

Come to school wearing something bright or spotty and donate £1 to Children in Need.

Join us at the school disco at 8.15.

We will be taking part in lots of challenges throughout the day.



Skip-a-thon



Hula-a-thon



Keepy-uppy-a-thon

Attendance Week beginning 17th October

Class	%	Lates
RCM	94%	2
1JD	85%	3
2ZP	91%	6
3MQ	97%	0
4AJ	93%	4
5CH	92%	1
6TM	88%	3



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Show

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**12-13 NOVEMBER
BATTERSEA PARK**

Kensington & Chelsea Foodbank

Friends, you will have seen increasing numbers of stories about the increasing numbers of families who have come to depend on foodbanks. Kensington and Chelsea has doubled the number of families it helps to feed during this last year. As we said in the summer, please consider types of food that may be eaten without having to heat, or that may be boiled in a bag in a kettle, to be energy efficient. The larder list remains similar and as always, your generosity is appreciated beyond measure

Tinned meats and fish that may be eaten cold – corned beef; chicken breast; (no pork please); tuna; mackerel

Many varieties of pasta sauce (again, not with ham)

All varieties of tinned vegetables

Cup-a-soups & tinned soup

Sunflower and Olive oil

Long-life Juices and Milks – including dairy-free

Tea Coffee Sugar

Toilet Paper and Sanitary products (pads preferred)

Personal toiletry products (deodorants; toothpaste/brushes; shampoo; shower gel; shaving materials)

At present no clothes are required thank you – please don't bring in clothes as this creates a further task for the HTSS team in passing them on to charities.



Your gifts can be taken to Holy Trinity Church from 3rd-5th November Thursday to Saturday 10.00 – 17.00 and on Sunday 6th November around the Eucharist Service. Many thanks as always for your help and support to our community.

You may prefer to make a financial donation when you can't help to fill the larder for K&CFB

Bank details: Kensington and Chelsea Foodbank

postal address: 240 Lancaster Road W11 4AH

sort code: 60-83-01

account number: 20442606 , or

Just Giving Web Link <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/kensingtonandchelseafoodbank>

(site includes access to gift-aid) As always many thanks for your help and support to our community.

**Did you know we have
an Amazon Wish List?**



Thank you to everyone who has purchased something for our school from our Amazon Wish List! If you would like to purchase something on our behalf, please visit:

<https://amzn.eu/3jaGUpR>

If you find something you would like to purchase – just add it to your basket and follow the same procedures as it you were ordering something for yourself. The items will then be delivered directly to the school – please make sure you select the school address in the delivery section.

**We are looking for volunteers to
help with uniform checking for us
and who will also organise lost
property and uniform donations
as well as second hand sales.
Please contact Mrs Hawkins
directly if you think you can help.
Thank you.**



CHRISTMAS DATES !

19th November 2022

Come and support and listen to our CCHT Choir take part in the Chelsea Christmas Lights Switch-On 4pm

2nd December 2022

Nothing could be more festive than our CCHT Choir singing carols in Pavilion Road with hot chocolate and twinkly lights all around. 3.45pm

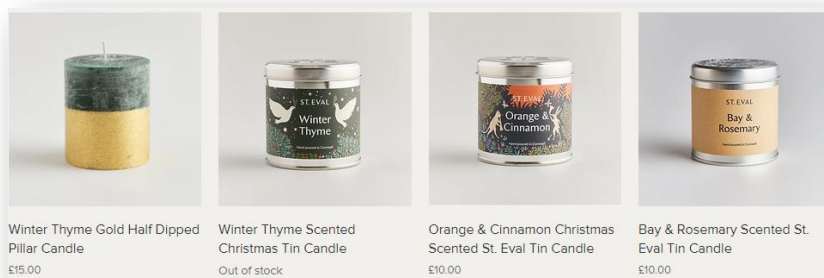
10th December 2022

CCHT Christmas Fair 12-3pm

Christmas games, chocolate tombola, bottle tombola, Father Christmas's Grotto, face painting, hot dog stand, mulled wine and hot chocolate, homemade cake & bake stand, flower stall, Church Christmas Raffle draw and much much more. Child's ticket pass for all the Christmas Games will be available to buy on School Gateway next week.

Our CCHT Online Christmas Shop will launch next week with scented candles, coloured dinner candles, advent candles, Christmas Trees, Christmas cards, Christmas gifts, stocking fillers and lovely Christmas plants all available to purchase in the run up to Christmas.

www.cchtshop.com



Winter Thyme Gold Half Dipped Pillar Candle
£15.00

Winter Thyme Scented Christmas Tin Candle
Out of stock

Orange & Cinnamon Christmas Scented St. Eval Tin Candle
£10.00

Bay & Rosemary Scented St. Eval Tin Candle
£10.00



Date For your Diary!

Our Elf Auction

Monday 5th December—Saturday 10th December

Our Christmas online Auction run by our Reception classes at both schools goes live in the run up to the Christmas Fair. Christmas goodies usually include bottles of Champagne, Christmas treats, homemade chocolates and gifts, indulgent bubble baths or spoiling spa treats, hampers, electronic games or tickets to a Christmas pantomime, homemade chutneys or even Christmas crackers.

Please send your lot donations to **Katie Rose** at krose@ccht.rbkc.sch.uk.

Lot values can range from £10 - £100 all in the name of the season of goodwill.





Weekly Headlines



Most Accurate	Fastest	Most Active	Rank Amongst Local schools
Year 2 ZP	Year 5 CH	Year 1 OD	19

Individual Class Leaderboards

Holy Trinity

Year 2 ZP	Year 3 MQ	Year 4 AT	Year 5 CH	Year 6 TM
Janna	Rosheen	Annabel	Hugo	Christelle

Christ Church

Year 2 EH	Year 3 NK	Year 4 EA	Year 5 MB	Year 6 EH
Sofia	Alexander	Agatha	Udval	Bonnie



Weekly Headlines



Holy Trinity

Year 1 JB	Year 2 ZP	Year 3 MQ	Year 4 AT	Year 5 CH	Year 6 TM
Margot	Janna				

Christ Church

Year 1 OD	Year 2 EH	Year 3 NK	Year 4 EA	Year 5 MB	Year 6 EH
Mariam	Sienna	Sulaiman	Sophie	Ottie	

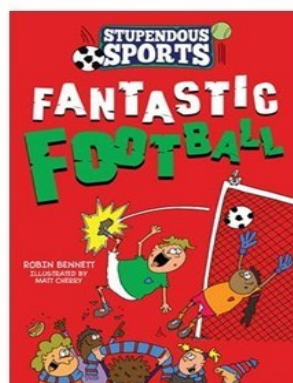


Recommended Read



Stupendous Sports: Fantastic Football (ages 6-8 & up)

Author: Robin Bennett Illustrator: Matt Cherry Publisher: Firefly Books



According to FIFA, there are over 250 million people playing football in 200 countries, and an estimated 3.5 billion fans: nearly half the people in the world! All the more reason for there to be plenty of books about football for young fans who want to know about how football came about, the amazing stories connected to the sport and all the facts about how it's played and who plays it.

Stupendous Sports: Fantastic Football begins with the origins of football in China more than 2000 years ago, followed by its existence later in England as "foteballe" – a rough, violent game which could feature hundreds of players, with goals miles apart and with so much fighting that King Edward II banned it in 1314. Fortunately, of course, football is very different nowadays, and the book also charts the rise of women's football which is, today, rapidly growing into a very successful sport.

Following this with chapters on the positions of the players within a team, how a match works, skills and tactics and the future of the game, this amusing and well-written guide to football is a really enjoyable read, even for people who aren't fans. However, its main appeal will be to die-hard football enthusiasts, who will find an awful lot to enjoy.

Fantastic learning at Holy Trinity



Shepherd s and sheep
creating spider webs



Year 6 - Still life drawings of pumpkins and squashes

CHRIST CHURCH PROMISES AUCTION



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2



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THURSDAY 17TH NOVEMBER

2022

7PM TWO-COURSE DINNER

7:30PM BIDDING STARTS

TICKETS £20 PER PERSON

CRÈCHE £5 PER CHILD



LEARN SPANISH

A gift for life for your child



Why learn Spanish?

The importance of the Spanish language is undeniable. Spanish is the official language of 21 countries and is spoken by over 420 million native speakers. Once children learn Spanish, they will find it easier to understand other Latin based languages and it can further their career opportunities. Learning another language helps children with communication skills and it opens up their minds to the world.

Why learn Spanish online?

There's no beating online lessons for convenience. Your child can take a lesson with a native professional Spanish teacher while they're sitting at home. Online lessons help students to gain confidence through the opportunities they are given to practise at their own pace. It is a very important part of our strategy to keep children active by not just sitting for an hour in front of the computer but by doing activities that involve moving around. The parents can, if they wish, participate in some of the tasks. It can be fun!

How does it work?

Our online Spanish courses take place on Zoom. You can connect from a computer or mobile device. The classes are conversation-based taking into account all four language skills: speaking, listening, reading and writing. The students are placed into a group according to their age, level of Spanish and whenever possible with their friends from the same school where they can interact in a virtual Spanish environment. They will have access to unlimited resources using videos, podcasts, reading, grammar exercises and games. The variety of activities we use keeps children motivated.

Who are we?

Escuela TALK is a traditional classroom-based language school for children 3 to 18 years old, in Spain. However, the age of the pandemic moved almost all our courses online. Puri Black (Perez-Castro), MA Ed London University, was born in Spain and moved to London where she studied, and worked for over 30 years. She started her career working as a Spanish University Lecturer and then set up her own company, Global Languages, providing language training for thousands of students from the public and private sectors. Puri moved back to Spain and set up Escuela TALK, as a Director, in association with Silvia Perez-Barco. Silvia is a Spanish/English teacher, Pedagogy degree holder, UNIR, Universidad Internacional La Rioja, Spain. Silvia is a CELTA qualified teacher (Cambridge) and she also holds a Certificate in Educational Neuroscience by the Montessori Institute, Barcelona.

Why learn with us?

Do you believe in the power of a strong student-teacher / parent-teacher relationship? If you do, we are the right people for you. We will meet parents and children online at the start of the course and parents will get regular feedback. Children will get optional fun tasks to do after the lesson.

Our courses & fees

Escuela TALK online Spanish courses – 10 weeks

LEVELS	DAY & TIME	FEES	DATES
1 Children with basic or no knowledge of Spanish 2 Children with 1/2 years experience of learning Spanish	Tues 17:30	£150	Dates to be confirmed
	Wed 19:00	£150	Dates to be confirmed
	Thurs 16:30 17:30	£150	Dates to be confirmed

We also offer Saturday and half term courses. Please enquire. All courses require a **minimum of 4 students** in order to run. To enrol please send an email to escuelatalk@gmail.com with the following information: name, surname, age, experience of the language, preferred time, parents names, school, and any other information that might help your child. Thank you.

Payments must be made in full, prior to the commencement of the course. Bank details to be provided via email. For further information please contact us. Hasta pronto.

¡HABLA
ESPAÑOL!



Puri



Silvia



Friday 4th November 2022

Learning in Reception at Holy Trinity

Dear Parents and Carers,

This is what the children have been up to this week:

English- This week, the children have worked on:

- Building CVC words (pig, mat, peg, tap)
- Writing short words using their sounds and codes.
- Writing short sentences: The cat sat. / The pig is big.

Maths- The children have been working on:

- One more/ one less than a given number. They used a number line to spot the answers.

Alphabet Code:

Sounds that we know: /s/, /a/, /t/, /p/, /i/, /n/, /m/, /d/, /g/, /c/, /k/ and /o/ /ck/
/e/ /u/ /r/ /h/ /b/.

Tricky words (words that we have to remember): I, the, my.

Reading and writing progression:

- First I need to be able to recognise and say the sounds for each code.
- Next, I should be able to spot the initial sound in words.
- After, I should be able to blend CVC words such as tap, dog, pig etc.
- Lastly, I can begin to write short sentences using tricky words and CVC words that I know.

Trip to Cadogan Gardens: Thursday 10th November (same groups and timings)

Trip to the Cinema: Thursday 17th November (see separate e-mail for details)

Have a nice weekend,

Miss Martin



Learning at Holy Trinity in Year 1

Friday 4th November 2022

What a wonderful week back to school! I hope you all had a restful half term break, we were all certainly raring to go this week and worked our socks off!

This week in English we started learning about the Great Fire of London. We started the week by sharing all our amazing facts that we had researched over the half term holiday. This gave us good practice in reading aloud and to an audience. Then we discussed what other information we would like to find out about this historical event. This led us into looking at questions, the importance of using the 5 Ws - what, when, why, where and who and using a question mark at the end of our questions.

It was times tables week this week so in maths we focused on counting in multiples of 2s, 5s and 10s. We looked at the patterns created by the skip counting on number lines and used cubes to add 2, 5 or 10 each time to see what was physically happening.

We were each assessed on counting in multiples of 2, 5 and 10 and really impressed with how much we already knew. **The times tables target card shall be stuck into the back of the homework books and come home next week.**

In science this week we concluded our Who am I? topic with looking at our final - sense. We touched different materials and described how they felt. We worked hard to think of interesting and different adjectives.

In Alphabet Code, we continued to investigate all the codes for the /or/ sound. We discovered **or** as in **fork**, **aw** as in **paw**, **ore** as in **more**, **oor** as in **door** and **al** as in **ball**.

Reminders:

- **Tuesday 8th November** - Parent Meetings (first date)
- **Thursday 10th November** - Cinema trip to Fulham Broadway (if any parents are able to accompany us and see a film for free, please let me know 😊)

What a brilliant week Year One, well done! Have a lovely weekend and look out for fireworks on the 5th! 😊



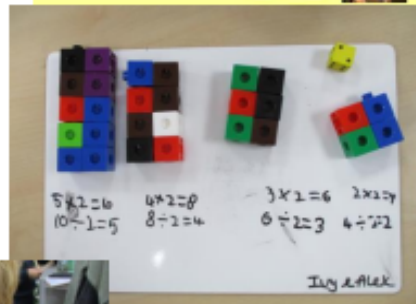
Learning at Holy Trinity in Year 2
Friday 4th November 2022

Thank you for a lovely week it has been great to have you back so refreshed and ready to learn.

In English we have been enjoying a visual story called '[Something Fishy](#)'. We drew our own visual story maps and retold the tale to our partners. We also generated interesting expanded noun phrases around the laundrette and underwater adventure our character went on.



This week has been times table week and we have been revising counting and recalling our multiplication facts for our 2's, 5's and 10's. Lots of us are happy to count and use our fingers to count in multiples; we now need to recall key facts from memory. I have put a times table target sheet at the back of your homework books. Please keep practicing these throughout the year.



Thank you for your wonderful half term homework we enjoyed sharing your acts of resilience, kindness and bravery. We are noticing these in our classroom and they are fantastic to see.

In Art we are exploring the works of Kurt Schwitters abstract collages and began to create our own rubbings to use in our collage work next week.

In RE we have been exploring our new unit Jesus as the 'light of the world' through art work. We reviewed the symbol of light and reflected on why Christians believe Jesus is the light of the world.



Have a lovely weekend!

Reminder: Parents meetings Wednesday 9th

We have put new requests on our Holy Trinity Amazon Wishlist 😊





Learning at Holy Trinity in Year 3

Friday 4th November 2022

In English this week, we began our new unit on bedtime stories. We started by reading a story from a text and then listening to a story being told orally. We thought about the key features of oral storytelling, such as intonation, pausing and using a clear voice, and we discussed the impact this has on the listener. We then read the story again ourselves and answered some questions based on the texts. Our goal was to be able to infer meaning using evidence from the text.

In Maths, we continued to practise subtraction within 1000. We practised solving subtraction sums with regrouping in hundreds, tens and ones.

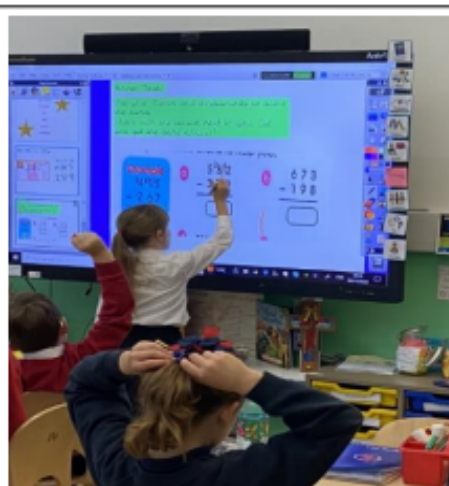
In RE, we discussed the meaning of Remembrance Day. We discussed what remembrance means and we looked at the different days of remembrance in November. We then made our own poppies to wear for Remembrance Day.

In PSHE, we continued our topic on Growth Mindsets. This week, we looked at the Amygdala. We learnt that when this part of the brain senses danger, it can overrule the upstairs part of our brain and take over. This is why we can find it hard to regulate and think before we act. We then looked at some strategies to help us when we "flip our lids".

As it has been Times Tables Week this week, we have been practising counting in 4s and using Times Tables Rockstars in the computer suite. Please continue to practise 2's, 5's, 10's, 4's, 3's and 8's at home.

Good questions to ask your child this week are:

- Who are we remembering on Remembrance Day?
- What is the Amygdala?
- Have a wonderful half term 😊



Reminders:

*Trip to Fulham Palace - 14th November.
We are looking for two parent
volunteers.*

*Tuesday 15th November - Year 3 cinema
trip. We would love some parent
volunteers for this trip 😊*



Learning at Holy Trinity in Year 4

Friday 4th November 2022

Highlights of this week include:

Maths

This week was 'times-tables' weeks at CCHT. All children took a times-tables test to identify which ones they need to focus on. They then filled a 'target' card which they glued into their homework books. Throughout maths this week, we have focussed on 'sixes', 'sevens', 'eights' and 'nines'. Our working memories had a particularly strenuous workout!

Times Table Target Card
Name: _____

I need to focus on the highlighted times tables:

2x	5x	10x	3x	4x	8x	6x	7x	9x	11x	12x
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Expectations for each year group:

Year	Expectations
Year 1	Recognise, create and describe patterns
Year 2	Count in multiples of 2, 5 and 10
Year 2	Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables
Year 3	Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables
Year 4	Recall multiplication and division facts for all multiplication tables up to 12x12
Year 5	Recall of 12 Times Tables and division facts up to 12 x 12
Year 6	Recall of 12 Times Tables and division facts up to 12 x 12

English:

We contrasted two texts: The Storm and The Storm Cat by examining their similarities and differences. Pupils then 'magpied' their favourite sentences from these texts and went on to adapt the sentences – to make them their own.

Science:

Year 4 began a new unit in Science: Sound. Using rice placed on a drum, we were able to see how rice behaves like air molecules when the drum is struck. The skin of the drum vibrated and made the rice jump. We learnt that as air molecules vibrate against each other, sound waves are formed, and the sound of the drums can be heard.



Looking forward to meeting you individually at our parent-meetings next week.

Have a lovely weekend! Ms James



Learning in Year 5 at Holy Trinity
Friday 4th November

Welcome back to another term in Year 5! This a busy term with lots of trips, learning and festive fun.

In English, we started our new unit called *The Lighthouse*. We watched a clip about an incident a lighthouse, then ordered and retold the story. Our final product for this unit will be to write a news article, so this week we learnt about two features - headline and orientation - and practised writing both.



It is Times Table Week at school, so we have been busy practising our times tables and multiplication skills. Times Table target cards have been sent home which outline which multiplication facts your child is currently needs to focus on. Please ensure they are practising their times tables at home.

In History, we learnt about all the amazing inventions of the Victorian Era including the flushing toilet, automobile, dynamite, bikes and the camera (and so much more!)

This week in RE we thought about our new virtue: wisdom. We discussed what wisdom is and how being wise is different to being clever. We learned about King Solomon, and how he used wisdom to make good decisions.

In Science, we started our new unit on Forces. We discussed vocabulary and dived straight into learning about gravity! We went into the playground and dropped two different sized balls to see how gravity affected them and explored how to use a Newton Meter.

In Computing we reminded ourselves of the importance of being safe online. We looked at some examples of people who need our support, and what we could do to help, including the best place to report online problems.

Reminders:

- Monday 7th November - Fulham Palace trip
- **Parent meetings** can be booked online via <https://holytrinity.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. Parent meetings will take place in person on Wednesday 9th and 16th November. As the meetings are only 12 minutes, please come prepared with any questions you have.
- **Art supplies** - To complete our art project this term, students will need to bring in materials from home. Thank you to those who have already brought in some materials including bottle lids, cardboard and plastic bottles.

Have a great weekend,

Miss Harman



Holy Trinity
Amazon Wishlist





Learning at Holy Trinity
Friday 4th November 2022

It has been Times tables week in school this week, so we have been busy practising our times tables in class, assessing our knowledge as well as coming up with fun tips and tricks that have helped us with our learning. It is essential that we know our times tables in Year 6 and can recall them quickly as this will help us with our learning in maths.

In Maths, we consolidated our learning on negative number, putting this knowledge into practice, we were able to answer a number of word problems and reasoning questions. This is something we will need to continue to cover over the course of the year. We then began our new topic, decimals! Revising the place value of tenths.

In English, we have jumped straight back into our Hunger Games unit, deconstructing a text, looking at how the author has created suspense and used several writing techniques to describe the fire scene. As a class, we were able to recognise the use of personification of fire (and how this made for a more exciting read), adverbials and 'show not tell'. Then we had a go at writing our own section describing what our character might have been able to hear whilst being chased by the fire.

In Science, we have started our new topic, the heart and circulatory system. Using non-fiction books, we answered initial questions about the heart and created questions which will guide our research for the topic.

In SPAG, we put our spellings to the test and learnt about silent letters, 'bile' and 'able' suffixes.

In Art this week, we have been learning about the famous Pop artist, Yayoi Kusama. Analysing her works on pumpkins, we looked at how she used form, colour and repeating pattern. This set the foundation for our very own still life sketches of munchkins. We will be working on these over the next couple of weeks to create a canvas painting of our very own Kusama inspired pumpkin art piece.

In History, we learnt about Evacuation during WW2. In 1939, thousands of children had to be evacuated to the countryside, away from bombings in major cities across the UK. We learnt what this experience would have been like from the eyes of a child. Asking some interesting questions, we were able to use real life news footage and iPads to further research about evacuation. Then we watched a clip from the story, Carrie's War, which is about a 14-year-old girl and her brother who are evacuated from London to Cardiff in Wales. This helped us understand the process some of these children went through.

Have a lovely weekend!