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# WWW.HTPS.CH/NEWSLETTER - MONDAY 16TH JANUARY 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Happy New Year to you all! I hope that you and your families had an enjoyable Christmas break. It has been lovely to hear all your children's news as they have returned back to school.

This term, we have some exciting themed events linked to Number Day, Science Week and our Explore Curriculum. The children really engage fully in these events as it provides more opportunities for practical activities and enquiry-based learning.

Thank you to the parents who attended the Progress and Vision event. The feedback was very positive and so I will be organising another similar event in the forthcoming weeks.

Sarah Rowe

#### TRINITY TASTING TRIALS - HEALTHY SCHOOL

We have created a regular opportunity for children to sample new foods (allergies considered) during their lunchtime. Last week, children had the chance to try mango and in subsequent weeks there will be a range of foods to try, from countries across the globe. This will be run by Year 6 who will pass around trays of tasting pots and for those children who want to participate. For their culinary delight this week, are sultanas and apricots.



## FANTASTIC FLIGHTS TO FARAWAY PLACES

At the end of the month, as part of our Explore Curriculum, we will be embarking on a cross-curricular mini-project exploring countries across the continents of the world and inventing and creating flying objects to take us there! Along the way we will read engaging, high quality books that open our eyes to different cultures and ways of life!

# CALENDAR DATES - <a href="https://linear.ch/calendar">https://linear.ch/calendar</a> & APP

16.01.1909 - Shackleton reaches the magnetic South Pole

30.01.23 - Fantastic Flights to Faraway Places Project

03.02.23 - NSPCC Number Day - Non-Uniform

03.02.23 - PTFA Spring Disco

10.02.23 - End of Half Term

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20.02.23 - Start of Half Term

**13.03.23 - Science Week** 

14.03.23 - Parents' Evening

16.03.23 - Parents' Evenina

28.03.23 - Easter Service at St. Andrew's Church

30.03.23 - End of Spring Term

**31.03.23 - INSET Day** 

Further dates/details of these and future events will be published as soon as confirmed. New dates in bold.

#### **WORSHIP THEME**

The Influence of Words - Encouragement and Praise (Perseverance and resilience)

"Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing." 1 Thessalonians 5:11

# HANDWRITING COMPETITION FOR NATIONAL HANDWRITING DAY.

School Council would like to invite pupils to take part in a handwriting competition by copying a poem about respect, one of our school values. Entries will need to be sent into school by Friday 20th January and will be judged on Monday 23rd January for National Handwriting Day. Borders can be designed around their writing but only shaded in pencil please.

A prize will be awarded for one child in EYFS/Year 1/2, Year 3 and 4, and Year 5 and 6. The poems for copying will be distributed by member of School Council in the next few days.

## **PUPILS' CHAMPIONS**

We would like to introduce visiting speakers to talk to the children about their job / profession. Please contact the school, whatever your job; engineers, games designers, sports people, nurses, dentists, etc. We aim to encourage children to have aspirations and ambition for their future and visiting speakers can inspire them to reach new goals.

With our flight topic (left) coming soon so pilots/aeronauts/people who fly gliders would be especially brilliant!



#### **WARM ROOMS**

In response to the rising cost of fuel and it becoming increasingly expensive for people to afford to heat their homes.

Braintree District Council has compiled a list of Warm Spaces that are being offered across the District.

The aim is that no one is lacking a regular place to be warm and maybe grab a hot drink. Please click on the map to view the list of warm spaces across the district where you can go and meet local people, enjoy a warm environment and drink and feel welcomed.

# E-SAFETY - THE TWO JOHNS - WEDNESDAY 11th JANUARY 2023

John Woodley & John Staines, also known as 'The 2 Johns', ran online sessions at Holy Trinity last Wednesday 11th January 2023. They worked with pupils and staff, and then led a virtual presentation for parents.

I have had really great responses from everyone involved about the content of the sessions and how it has really helped everyone to be more vigilant online.

The online world is ever changing so it is important to keep up-to-date with the latest trends and ways to keep safe online as they come about.

The link for the parents' recorded session will be shared with you in the next couple of days via the Piota APP.

#### **KINDNESS CUP WINNERS**

Congratulations to Bonnie and Evelyn in Year 4 who won the Kindness Cup this week.

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#### **NEW! MANNERS MEDALS**

A pupil form KS1 and KS2 are nominated during lunchtime for showing good manners. In addition, the catering staff will nominate someone who showed particularly good manners when collecting their meal from the serving hatch. The school takes a pride in high standards of behaviour and this is just another way to celebrate great role models every week.





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#### **WOW WORSHIP WELCOMES YOU**

Please remember all parents / grandparents / carers are welcome to join the Wow Worship every Friday at 2.30pm

#### **PTFA NEWS**

Thank you to the PTFA for helping to fund Art Solutions and the Christmas Pantomime.

They also arranged for Father Christmas to visit us and deliver selection box presents to all the children, and funded resources for Alpaca Class.

The next PTFA event is the Spring Disco on Friday 3rd February.

The price remains £3 per child, but please note that the times are slightly earlier than usual.

