

### School Newsletter 166 - FRIDAY 26th MAY 2023 - www.htps.ch/newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year Six have had a few well-deserved treats since finishing their SAT's, such as their trip to NAMCO Funscape for bowling and this week many have taken part in their residential trip to Bawdsey Manor.

The daily updates tell us that they have had a great time trying new outdoor and adventurous activities, testing their resolve and courage and by all accounts many have felt that wonderful sense of achievement. I am sure that on their return, they will all be excited to retell their time there with family and friends and hopefully catch up on some sleep, the adults too! There are a selection of photos on this newsletter, and more will be shared over half term. I must say thank you to all the members of staff that have taken part in the residential trip as it is a 24 hour, round-the-clock responsibility.

We had to say farewell to Denise Brown, our cook, today as she leaves to work in a school closer to home. I know the children and staff will miss her generosity and friendly face and of course, her delicious meals, particularly her roast dinners! Good luck Denise.

Little Oaks (our new wraparound care provider) is now officially registered with the school and so you will be hearing more very soon about how to book in breakfast or after school sessions. We are very excited to have them properly onboard!

Have a great half term holiday and we will see at the start of term on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June. Let's hope the sun keeps shining!

#### WORSHIP THEME - School Vision

Holy Trinity is an inclusive school working with aspirations to build a kind and resilient community through our trinity of Christian values: respect, honesty and love.

#### RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOLS

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We have received our Bronze Rights Respecting Schools award and are now working towards silver. The UNICEF scheme is a whole school programme that enhances school values and helps children understand the articles in the Children's Charter. Accreditation involves developing a steering group, discussions in classes, and helping children around the world.

#### CALENDAR DATES - htps.ch/calendar & APP

26.05.1967 - The Beatles' 'Sergeant Pepper' Album released. 26.05.23 - End of Half Term 05.06.23 - INSET Day- School Closed 06.06.23 - Start of Half Term 12.06.23 - Rescheduled Class Photos 12-15.06.23 - Book Fair after school. All sales earn commission! 26-30.06.23 - Y6 Transition to Secondary Week sessions. 04.07.23 - Sublime Science II 07.07.23 - PTFA Summer Fete after school on the field. 10.07.23 - EYFS Sports Day (AM) 11.07.23 - KS1 Sports Day (AM) 13.07.23 - KS2 Sports Day (PM) 14.07.23 - Rocksteady Concert 2.15pm 14.07.23 - PTFA Summer Disco 18.07.23 - Y5/6 Performances 1pm & 5pm 20.07.23 - End of School Year 21.07.23 - INSET Day - School Closed

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

The remaining INSET Days for the 2022/2023 Academic Year have been confirmed: Monday 5th June 2023 Friday 21st July 2023

All term dates, and INSET days for 2023/24 can be found at <u>www.htps.ch/term-dates</u>

#### WOW ASSEMBLY

A reminder that WOW Assembly takes place most Friday afternoons from 2.30pm and parents/carers are welcome to attend

#### MUSIC

If anyone has private music lessons and would like to perform to their class or during collective worship could they let class teachers know. It would be lovely to hear the children's musical talents, and it is a great opportunity to boost their confidence as performers.

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**Education Hub** 

#### PERIPATETIC MUSIC PROVISION

ROCKSTEADY

#### SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

BRONZE – RIGHTS COMMITTED

During the summer we would like to freshen up some of the classrooms which have not been re-decorated for some years. Are there any painters and decorators who would like to sponsor the school and help with the work over the summer? We are looking for walls and doors to be painted and would provide publicity via the newsletter, social media, and the wider community. If you are interested in helping out the school please contact the school office in person, or via <u>admin@holytrinityhalstead.com</u> and 01787 472096.

#### HALSTEAD IN BLOOM

We would like to say a big thank you to Halstead in Bloom for contributing the pots and plants which have really lifted the attractiveness of the school site. If your child is interested in joining in with Rocksteady please visit <u>www.rocksteadymusicschool.com</u> or ask for a form from the office. There is currently a waiting list for some bands/age groups, but there will be a number of spaces in September when the current Year 6 pupils leave. Rock Steady costs approximately £30/month for weekly half hour group sessions and the end of term concert for the school! All instruments are provided and no previous experience is required. Essex Music

#### LEARN IT!

If your child wishes to have more traditional-style music tuition at school Essex Music Education Hub can offer lessons in a range of instruments. For more details and to register directly with them visit <u>https://www.essexmusichub.org.uk/site/making-music-in-school/learn-it/</u> or call 0333 0138953. Prices vary. Instrument hire is available and financial assistance is sometimes provided.





#### **OUTSIDE LEARNING**

We are fortunate to have lots of varied outside spaces at Holy Trinity, and we are trying to make the most of them within our learning experiences. Mrs Kemp has been guiding us with ways to incorporate outside learning into all areas of the curriculum, including science, maths, geography and English seen here. We've also had classes out doing computing lessons, and there are plans for much more in the future!



EARTH DAY AT GOSFIELD SCHOOL

After the first day was cancelled due to the weather, Panda Class finally got to take part in the Earth Day events at Gosfield School. During the day they created seed bombs, took part in a scavenger hunt, made recycled art, planted trees, and took on a water carrying challenge. It was a fun and informative day for all the children, who were incredibly well behaved. Many thanks to Gosfield School for organising the event and for making us so welcome.





# **School Journey 2023** Bawdsey Manor - 22-26th May

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Well done to all our children - they were absolutely amazing!



#### **KARATE VISITOR**

Last week, David Wilson, from the Martial Arts Centre, came in to tell the children about his career and the club he runs in our school. He demonstrated some well-known moves, and with some of them encouraged whole school participation!

Tiana and Trent really impressed us all with their karate moves. Thank you for willingly taking part, both of you! You will find flyers with further information in our school office.

## HTPS PTFA NEWS

#### Father/Heroes Day 18/06/2023

For Father's Day the PTFA would like to help you to celebrate a Hero in your life!!

Presenting a little pot and seeds, to plant with your special person, water daily and watch them grow together!

Order forms are being sent out soon and we ask that all orders be back <u>by Friday 9th June</u> please!

(Distribution of gifts will be 16th June.)

There are lots of other fantastic events coming up too,

#### **KINDNESS CUP & MANNERS MEDALS**

The Kindness Cup is awarded to someone who has shown great kindness during the previous week. Manners Medals are awarded to pupils who have shown great manners during the previous week. The school takes a pride in high standards of behaviour and this is just another way to celebrate great role models every week.







which we cannot run without the help of wonderful volunteers : Summer Fete: 07/07/2023 Summer Disco: 14/07/2023 Our Facebook group is: www.htps.ch/ptfa You are very welcome to email too: ptfa@holytrinityhalstead.com

The next PTFA meeting is: Wednesday 7th June 2023 from 7pm at school. Please pop along, we'd love to see you!

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