

OUR VISION

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We are an inclusive, aspirational school that builds a kind and resilient community.



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School Newsletter 170 - Friday 15th September 2023 - [www.https://ch/newsletter](https://ch/newsletter)

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a good few days settling back into the school routine. I would particularly like to welcome all the new families that have joined us this term, both in the reception class as well as in Year 6. I was pleased to see many smiles and few tears on the first day back! This year it was agreed to re-introduce for new families a Holy Trinity Home-School agreement document, commonplace in a large number of schools. The purpose of this document is to familiarise new parents / carers to the school vision and aims of the school and invite children and parents to commit to the values we hold dear. Those of you who have been with us for some time will not be sent home the document but you may like to see it out of interest so we will share it via the app for your viewing but not for signing. I'd also like to congratulate Mrs Kenny on completing a course to become the school's Mental Health Lead. The work in the course will further enhance the existing incredible work she does for supporting mental health in our school. Another piece of exciting news is that Mrs Thomson, classteacher in Emerald Class, is expecting a baby at the end of the year. We all wish her well in her pregnancy and in the new times coming her way. This half term promises to be an exciting one with themed days including Mental Health Day and Wellness Week, Harvest Service as well offering more music tuition (guitar and keyboard) through Essex Music Services. This term, I would like to invite a group of parents to meet with me every fortnight to help support the school in its Christian vision and ethos. The meetings will be Thursdays at 9.10am. Please contact the school office by next Friday if you are interested. On behalf of the Holy Trinity team I would like to wish you an enjoyable weekend.

Sarah Rowe

CALENDAR DATES - <https://ch/calendar> & APP

05.10.23	National Poetry Day
10.10.23	Mental Health Day and Wellness Week
12.10.23	Harvest Service 2pm at St Andrew's Church - confirmed
17.10.23	Individual photos (3 mornings) - 19.10.23
17.10.23	Parents' Evening 3.30-5.30pm
19.10.23	Parents' Evening 3.30-5.30pm
20.10.23	PTFA disco
23.10.23	Half term holiday
02.11.23	NEW DATE 9.30 and 1.30pm Open Day New Starters (please book)
08.11.23	9.30 and 1.30pm Open Day New Starters (please book)
13.11.23	World Kindness Day
17.11.23	Children in Need Day
24.11.23	Non- Pupil Day
12.12.23	2pm Nativity Performance EY and KS1
12.12.23	6pm Nativity Performance EY and KS1
14.12.23	Christmas Service at St Andrew's Church 2pm All welcome (tbc)
15.12.23	Rocksteady Concert
20.12.23	Non-Pupil Day

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

All term dates, and INSET days for 2023/24 can be found at [www.https://ch/term-dates](https://ch/term-dates)



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ST CATHERINE'S GOSFIELD, ST JAMES' GREENSTEAD GREEN
AND ST ANDREW'S HALSTEAD.

Free fun for all the family
Join us for
Messy Church!

Saturday 16 September
Saturday 18 November
3pm to 5pm

St Andrew's Hall, Parsonage Street
Halstead CO9 2LD

Contact Rachel on 07837 167 408 for more information.



This is a competition open for Key Stage Two. If you would like to take part go to the Young Writers website:

<https://www.youngwritersusa.co.uk/competitions/KS2/me23>

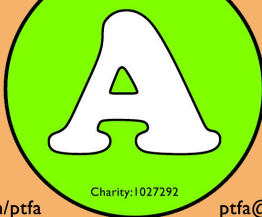
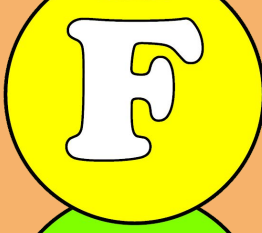
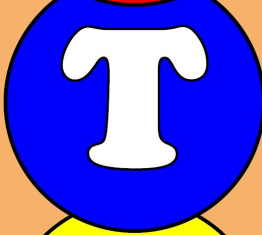
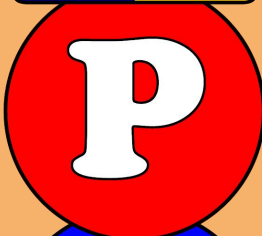
Closing date 20th October

WORSHIP THEME

Being Aspirational, Having Goals and Aiming High
'Be strong and courageous, do not be afraid or discouraged,
for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.'
Joshua 1:9

HTTPS PTFA NEWS

HOLY TRINITY C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL



working together for our children...

The PTFA would like to extend a very warm welcome back to everyone. We hope you have had a fabulous summer break. As soon as your child becomes a pupil at HTTPS, you automatically become a member of the PTFA and we would love to have your input on events in the coming year!

At our next meeting, committee members are elected and all roles are up for fresh nomination.

Roles available are:

- Chairperson
- Vice Chairperson
- Treasurer
- Secretary

<https://ch/ptfa> Charity: 1027292 ptfa@https.ch

We'd really love to grow our committee and see some new faces at our meetings. It's a great way to have your say regarding fundraising ideas/events, and hopefully make some lifelong friendships.

The proceeds of all fundraising events are used to enrich the educational experience of our pupils (your children) at HTTPS.

The AGM will be held at Holy Trinity Primary School from 6pm on Monday 16th October 2023.
We would love to see you there.

The PTFA can always be contacted via our email:
ptfa@holyltrinityhalstead.com

Or Facebook page:

<https://m.facebook.com/groups/httpsptfa>

Caretaking Vacancy

After one round of advertising for someone to support the school in Mr Beswick's absence, we are reaching out to you to see if any of you know of anyone who would be in the position to help the school with caretaking duties through a split-shift or part-time capacity. Experience in caretaking is desired but not essential. A full job description and additional information can be passed on through contacting the school office. Please note this is a relief position while Mr Beswick is absent.

A Request for Support in P.E Uniform Changes

It has come to light in recent weeks that the slight changes in school uniform has caused some misunderstanding around the reasons for the changes. Please recognise that the reason for the change came from a good place; black shorts were starting to creep in for various reasons and it had be noted that black items are easier to find in shops, often at a cheaper price. We are trying to help parents but that message hasn't come across fully to some parents / carers.

We have been sympathetic to Year 6 by making them exempt from the changes with such a short amount of time left and everyone else has until September to make the switch. Thank you to everyone who has adapted to a tweak in our uniform policy. Teachers have been very impressed with the uniform this term!

SHOE SHARE

unicef



Clarks

As part of the summer sculpture project, some children decided to set up a collection scheme for second hand children's shoes in order to help UNICEF. If you could support School Council by donating shoes that are clean and in good condition we would be very grateful.

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CARE HOLY
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SEPTEMBER 2023**

**BREAKFAST CLUB
FROM 7.30am – 8.45am**

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
MONDAY-FRIDAY**

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KINDNESS CUP & MANNERS MEDALS

The Kindness Cup is awarded to someone who has shown great kindness during the previous week. Manners Medals are award 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.



Measles Vaccinations

Measle cases are on the rise in England. Measles is more than just a rash, with one in five children needing a hospital visit. Please remember you can contact your GP practice for an MMR vaccination if your child has missed out. It is the best way to keep them safe. More information can be found on the [NHS](#) website.

DON'T FORGET TO UPDATE NOTIFICATION SETTINGS ON THE SCHOOL APP!

Your child/ren are moving into new year groups - don't forget to go into Settings > Notifications and change to the new channels so you don't miss any updates! Also, please remember that all future dates and events are available to view under the Events tab in [app](#) and on the [Calendar](#) page of the website.



School Council 2023-2024



Worship Committee 2023-2024

Request for Soft Play Items for Lunchtimes.

We would be grateful for any of the following secondhand items to enhance our lunchtime play:

- Foam and sponge bricks and mats
- Small pop up tents
- Samples of Imitation grass
- Weather resistant cushions
- Chalks

- Skittles
- Garden Style Jenga
- Skipping ropes
- Ring toss
- Space hoppers
- Pop hopper
- Velcro darts
- Bucket Stilts/Large feet stilts

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