

# OUR VISION

RESPECT HONESTY LOVE

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



**Holy Trinity  
C of E (VC)  
Primary School**

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**WWW.HTTPS.CH/NEWSLETTER - FRIDAY 10th NOVEMBER 2023**



Dear Parents / Carers,

Last week, we welcomed Essex Fire Service who reminded the children about ways to stay safe during Bonfire Night and Halloween. I hope you all enjoyed any of the local events that were organised around this time.

I am pleased to say that all the donations from our Harvest appeal for the foodbank raised 79 meals for our community so thank you to all the families that made contributions to this worthwhile cause.

On Sunday, there will be the annual Remembrance Day Service commencing in the public gardens followed by a march up to St Andrew's Church. Feel free to follow the procession and attend the service. Unfortunately, I will not be attending this year as I have been invited to China to attend the 18th Jiangsu International Forum for School Principals in China. The forum provides a platform to strengthen collaboration between us and a range of countries in the global community, including China. The forum program also consists of visits to our linked school in Nanjing. I will try to link via Teams regularly with the children so that they can learn from my experience too!

Have a great weekend.

**SARAH ROWE - HEADTEACHER**



Good bye 再见 zài jiàn (zai-jen)

## Live Music

We want to give our children the chance to hear a wide variety of different instruments and music.

If any of you or your family play an instrument or is in a band we would love you to share your talents with the children in an assembly!



## WORSHIP THEME

**Remembrance – Peace & Preciousness**

### A Prayer for Remembrance

Ever-living God,  
We remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

CALENDAR DATES - <https://ch/calendar> & APP  
NEW DATES ARE HIGHLIGHTED AND IN BOLD

102.11.23	<b>NEW DATE</b> 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
01.12.23	<b>Non- Uniform and Bring a Bottle for the Christmas Bazaar.</b>
08.12.23	<b>PTFA Christmas Bazaar</b>
12.12.23	<b>2pm Nativity Performance EY and KS1</b>
12.12.23	<b>6pm Nativity Performance EY and KS1</b>
13.12.23	<b>Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner</b>
14.12.23	<b>Christmas Service at St Andrew's Church 2pm All welcome</b>
15.12.23	<b>Empire Cinema Christmas film trip AM</b>
	<b>Rocksteady Concert PM</b>
20.12.23	Non-Pupil Day

**15.01.2024** Closing date for reception places  
**17.01.2024** Young Voices Concert at O2  
**07.02.2024** Safer Internet Day  
**14.02.2024** Ash Wednesday Service at St Andrew's Church (tbc)

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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# PTFA NEWS

## Disco

The PTFA Committee would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for all their amazing support at this years first disco!

We are so grateful to Mrs Rowe, all the teachers and the fabulous volunteers who helped us out!!

We honestly couldn't run these events without you! Thank you so much. The disco raised a whopping **£364.37** The proceeds of which will be used for the enrichment of your children's education. As you may have seen the hopscotch and games repainted on the playground, thanks to all your support, your PTFA has been able to fund this. We have also funded Wellness sessions too. Other money raised helps to pay for book bags, school trips and so much more!!

## Committee News

As some of you may be aware there has been a newly elected PTFA committee, but before they are introduced, we feel it necessary to offer our warmest thanks to Tracie Hoskin as she steps down as Chairperson. Tracie worked extremely hard, some might say tirelessly, and was very dedicated to her role as Chair. We'd like to offer you our heartfelt thanks for all you have done.

Stepping into the roles are:

Leanne Cass - Chairperson  
Holly Prince - Vice Chairperson  
Nicci Fincham - Treasurer  
Tracy Lake - Secretary

## Upcoming Events

The PTFA and School have arranged a **Non-Uniform Day on Friday 1st December 2023**. We are asking each pupil wishing to wear non-uniform to bring a bottle in please. Glass bottles and alcohol to be carried in by an adult.

There will be PTFA members at the gates collecting in the morning on Friday 1st December.

The Christmas Bazaar is being held on **Friday 8th December** this year. We are always looking for volunteers to help us before, during and after the event. If you can help, please let us know.

There are so many ways in which you can get involved and help the PTFA.

Do you, or someone you know, own a business that could sponsor our event or provide a raffle prize?

The PTFA currently have monthly meetings where we discuss future events and how the money raised is spent for the school. We would love to meet you and hear your views/opinions!

**Our next meeting is on Tuesday 28th November 6pm at school.**

If you're unable to make a meeting we are also available on email or Facebook page;

[ptfa@holytrinityhalstead.com](mailto:ptfa@holytrinityhalstead.com)

<https://m.facebook.com/groups/htpsptfa/?ref=share>

We look forward to hearing from you!

Your PTFA



## KINDNESS CUP & MANNERS MEDALS

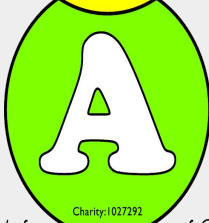
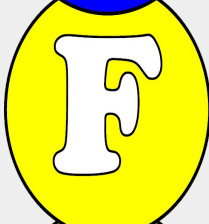
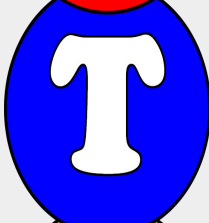
The Kindness Cup is awarded to a child who has shown great kindness during the previous week. Weekly Manners Medals are also awarded to pupils who have been courteous, polite and always remember their please and thank you's. The school takes a pride in high standards of behaviour and this is just another way to celebrate great role models every week.

We have created a book of condolence in memory of Jon Smith who was Headteacher at Holy Trinity Primary School for many years.

The book of condolence has been open for the last few days if you have been unable to make it into school but would like to contribute please email [draven@holytrinityhalstead.com](mailto:draven@holytrinityhalstead.com) with your message by 7pm Friday 10th November



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*working together for our children...*

<https://ch/ptfa>

[ptfa@https://ch](mailto:ptfa@https://ch)

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# Christmas Bazaar

FRIDAY | DECEMBER 8TH | 3.30 – 6PM

Christmas Stalls

Raffle Prizes

Santa's Grotto



Year 4 have embraced Art in the outdoors. Focussing on the texture and colour of natural materials to create artwork in the style of Andy Goldsworthy. Thoughtful and beautiful creations, well done Amethyst Class.



## CHILDREN IN NEED NON-UNIFORM DAY

We are holding a Non-Uniform Day on **Friday 17th November**.

The theme this year is 'Be Spotacular', but if you don't have any spotty clothing then any weather and school appropriate non-uniform is fine.

Please send in a donation for Children In Need, to help children across the UK. Thank you!

School Council requested a cake sale to raise money for the charity too after school so if you would like to donate **nut-free** cakes please bring to the office on Thursday 16th November. Labels are useful for additional allergy advice.



Designed by Jack W and Max S



Cake sale  
for Children  
In Need  
17th  
November

**CHILDREN  
IN NEED**



## After School Club 4-11 year olds



**HAVE YOU RESERVED A SPOT FOR YOUR MINIME?**

Build Confidence  
Raise Self Awareness  
Recognise Emotions  
Understand Feelings  
Self Regulate Responses  
Reduce Stress/Anxiety  
Increase Inner Calm & Happiness  
Encourage Communication & Resilience  
Have FUN!

**MINDFULNESS  
& MINDSET FUN**

Learning through:  
Stories, Games  
Play, Chat &  
Team Work



**Holy Trinity C of E Primary School - Mondays**

BOOK ONLINE:

<https://minime-mindfulness-braintree-district.class4kids.co.uk>



BOUGHT TO YOU BY THE THREE SAINTS PARISHES,  
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.





## SAVE THE CHILDREN CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

We are joining in with Christmas Jumper Day on Wednesday 13th December where you may wear a Christmas jumper if you wish. Please send in a donation for Save The Children, to help children around the world. Thank you!



## Family Learning Festival

<https://library-events.essex.gov.uk/event?id=86277>

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Saturday 4 November 2023

Halstead Library

### Event Description

Inspire your curiosity with the Family Learning Festival with activities for all the family provided by ACL, including art and drawing, a fact-finding woodland trail and a sensory challenge

### IT'S GOOD TO TALK

CHILDLINE 0800 1111  
MIND 0300 123 3393  
SAMARITANS 116 123  
CITIZENS ADVICE 0800 144 8848  
NHS DIRECT 111  
Text 'SHOUT' to 85258  
CALM 0800 58 58 58

### Home Bargains · Follow

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Home Bargains is running a competition for all Primary School children to design next year's Alder Hey Charity Christmas Cards! 🎄❤️ The 12 winning designs will be manufactured and sold in our stores for Christmas 2024 with all profits going to Alder Hey Children's Hospital PLUS each winning artist will receive a £100 Home Bargains Voucher and a craft hamper for their school! 🎁 To enter visit: <https://bit.ly/2KI1MEk>

*Primary School Christmas Card*

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In aid of  
**Alder Hey**  
Children's Hospital

home bargains

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**INTRODUCTORY OFFER: 20% discount for all bookings for first half term when booked before September 1st 2023**

### LITTLE OAKS WRAP AROUND CARE HOLY TRINITY

LAUNCHING  
SEPTEMBER 2023

BREAKFAST CLUB  
FROM 7.30am – 8.45am

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB  
MONDAY-FRIDAY

3.15pm – 6.00pm  
(shorter and post-activity  
club sessions available)

Wide range of activities on  
offer to suit all children

**REGISTER NOW**  
[holytrinity@littleoakskids.com](mailto:holytrinity@littleoakskids.com)



## After School Drop In Term Time Only 3pm -4.30pm

A friendly health drop in and activities for primary age children.

At Carousel Family Hub, Chapel Hill **Braintree** CM7 3QZ. Every Tuesday.  
Harlequin Family Hub Delivery Site, Spa Road **Witham** CM8 1NA. 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday.  
**Silver End** Family Hub Delivery Site, The Broadway CM8 3RQ. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday.  
Acorn Family Hub Delivery Site, Beridge Road **Halstead** CO9 1JH. 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday.

### Topics may cover

Enuresis (wetting), hearing, behaviour, sleep, fussy eating/growth, healthy lifestyles, emotional wellbeing, head lice and initial body changes with puberty.