

OUR VISION

RESPECT HONESTY LOVE

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



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[WWW.HTTPS.CH/NEWSLETTER](https://ch/newsletter) - THURSDAY 24th NOVEMBER 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

As you are aware, last week, I was in China taking part in an international forum for school principals, including a conference on education reform and accountability in the Jiangsu district near Nanjing, renowned for education. It was a fascinating insight into the education system and a great opportunity to network with other headteachers and influential members of the educational community in China and elsewhere. The itinerary was jam packed but I felt extremely privileged to be invited to attend all the events.

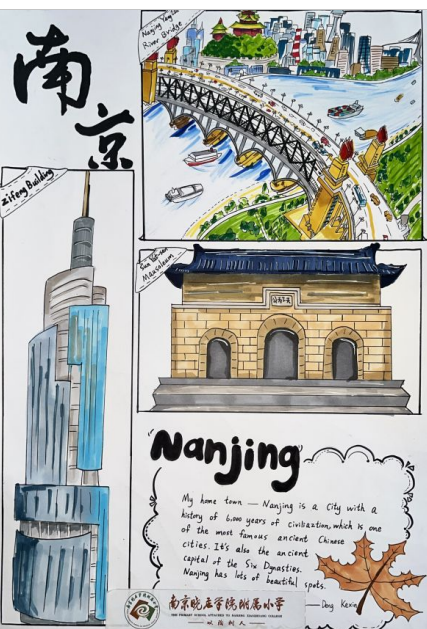
I was one of the speakers presented to a wide audience on International Understanding within the Curriculum and also led a discussion on English lessons recorded by teachers at our link school in Nanjing.

The highlight was visiting three primary schools, all of which have approximately 3000 primary aged children! During my school visits I saw a awe-inspiring drumming ensemble, three musical productions, a puppet show and Chinese calligraphy lessons. One school even had its own satellite! One afternoon, I viewed the exhibition of children's artwork, 'My Town through Brushes and Lenses' that included some work from our own Year 6 children.

I am looking forward to following up my visit with my experiences and new ideas formed from the time there so that the children and staff can benefit from my experience and the international links being developed in our school.

On behalf of the Holy Trinity team, I wish you all a wonderful weekend.

S Rowe



Artwork by Pupils in China.

WORSHIP THEME: Forgiveness

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

Ephesians 4:32

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IT'S GOOD TO TALK

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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!

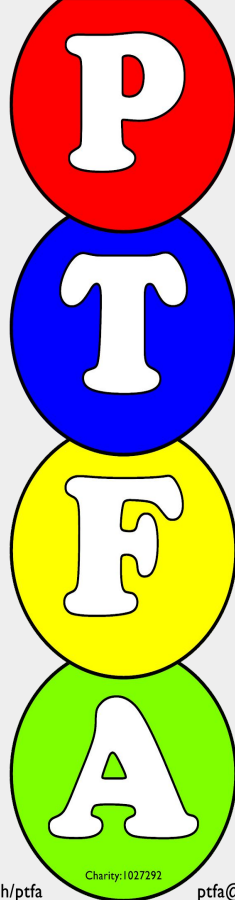


Being Aspirational
Moonstone Class Exploring Possible Creative Careers



Moonstone Class had a fabulous time at the creative careers workshops. They took part in four different activities encompassing the world of theatre, animation, textiles and music. The children loved having the opportunity to meet DJ Shy Cookie and he spoke honestly about his experiences in the music world. The animation also proved to be very popular; they were able to create their own short animations, telling a story. They explored all the different roles there are in the theatre including advertising, prop design and lighting. Finally, Moonstone Class were surprised to discover all the different techniques when working in the world of textiles. The children worked hard to create a colour board based on a picture. The children made Holy Trinity C of E Primary School proud due to their active involvement in the sessions and the whole morning was extremely positive and rewarding for the children. They spoke with great enthusiasm when they were back at school.

HOLY TRINITY C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL



working together for our children...

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

The Christmas Bazaar is after school on the 8th December and planning is in full swing. If you're able to help out at the event, please let us know by either speaking to us in the playground, Facebook or emailing us at ptfa@holyltrinityhalstead.com. We are asking for donations of any soft toys ready for our ever popular Teddy Tombola. If you have any you would like to donate please give these into the office at school or contact us.

This year we are running a Santa's Grotto. This is a PRE BOOKABLE EVENT ONLY. Please look out for letters coming home with your children soon.

We are excited to see which film wins the vote for the Xmas Film trip to Halstead Empire, the PTFA truly believe these little extras really do help enrich the children's time at HTPS and we are so pleased to be able to reintroduce this tradition this year...

Don't forget...
PTFA Non Uniform Day is the 1st December

We ask for you to bring a full, in date bottle of something as a donation. Please note that alcohol and glass bottles must be carried by adults and PTFA members will be on the gates to collect all donations the morning of the 1st. Our next meeting is

28th November
6pm
At the school

All parents welcome to attend, you are all part of the PTFA when your child joins Holy Trinity and we would love to hear what you would like to see in 2024 from the PTFA.

We hope you enjoy your weekend.

HTPS PTFA

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Creative Writing: We had Chris Williams to work with the children on a new approach to writing using interactive storyboards. The children loved joining in!



Christmas Tree Festival

Fri 24 Nov, 10am - 4pm
Sat 25 Nov, 10am - 4pm
Sun 26 Nov, 12 noon - 4pm



Come & vote for your favourite!
St Andrew's Church, Halstead
Free admission

Tea, coffee, mulled wine,
cakes & mince pies



A huge well done to all the children who worked together during our lunchtime wellbeing club to create our amazing entry for the Christmas Tree Festival this weekend. A special thanks to Mrs Hislop and Mrs McCallum for supporting the children with this. Don't forget to come and vote for us!

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>

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

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**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

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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. 1st and 3rd Monday.
Silver End Family Hub Delivery Site, The Broadway CM8 3RQ. 2nd and 4th Wednesday.
Acorn Family Hub Delivery Site, Beridge Road **Halstead** CO9 1JH. 1st and 3rd Wednesday.

Topics may cover

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

Christmas Bazaar

FRIDAY | DECEMBER 8TH | 3.30 – 6PM

Christmas Stalls

Raffle Prizes

Santa's Grotto



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>

Essex County Council Libraries



Letter to Santa

Halstead Library

Saturday 25 November, 10am to 4pm

- Join in with festive cheer and write your letter to santa
- Don't forget to bring along a stamp and we'll post your letter to the North Pole



libraries.essex.gov.uk



Well done Holy Trinity! We were touched by your generosity of donations for Children In Need. You all looked great in your non uniform. Thank you so much for the cake donations, the cake sale raised £170! Well done and thank you school council and PTFA for making this happen.

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

NEW DATES ARE HIGHLIGHTED AND IN BOLD

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

Kindness Cup and Manners Medals

The Kindness Cup is awarded to someone who has shown great kindness and the 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.

