

OUR VISION
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builds a kind and resilient community.



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22nd November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last Sunday, four of our pupils proudly represented our school at the annual Remembrance Day parade, organised by the Halstead branch of the Royal British Legion. This meaningful event brought together members of the community to honour and remember the sacrifices made by so many in times of conflict.

Our students walked alongside veterans, community leaders, and other local organisations, showing their respect and understanding of this important occasion. I was incredibly proud of all the children who represented our school.

The parade concluded with a service around the memorial at St Andrew's Church, where wreaths and crosses were laid to commemorate those who gave their lives in service. It was a powerful reminder of the importance of remembrance and the value of peace in our world today.

It has been great to see so many of our clubs running successfully this term: Art Club; Construction Club; Engineering Club; Multisport and MiniMe Mindfulness. Please see details opposite about a new musical theatre club running from January. Please contact Lilly directly if you are interested.

It won't be long before all the Christmas activities start happening. We are looking forward to the annual events such as the Christmas Bazaar, Christmas services, Empire Theatre Christmas film trip and of course the nativity performance by the younger children. We will keep you informed of any arrangements mainly on the school app. Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

S. Rowe

MUSICAL THEATRE CLUB

I AM LILLY THE PRINCIPAL OF LDPAS, A PERFORMING ARTS SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN. WE HAVE A PASSION FOR HELPING CHILDREN FROM THE AGE OF 3-18 TO PERFORM AND EXPRESS THEMSELVES THROUGH SINGING, DANCING AND ACTING CLASSES SPECIFIC TO THEIR AGE GROUP. WE TEACH WITH THE AIM OF HELPING TO BUILD CONFIDENCE IN CHILDREN WHICH HELPS WITH THEIR PRACTICAL, INTELLECTUAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

MONDAY AFTER SCHOOL 3:15PM-4:15PM - £5 PER CHILD STARTING JANUARY

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT US ON
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Year 3 is learning about the Stone Age. They have been exploring Stone Age art and a world without brushes. Most cave paintings were of animals or hunters. A cave could be full of many paintings by many different painters. Many hand stencils have also been discovered. Some of the most impressive cave paintings have only been discovered in the last 100 years. There could be more out there we don't know about!



Kindness Cup and Manners Medal Winners



Secondary School Admissions

As you may be aware, the new secondary school admission round opened on Thursday 12 September 2024 for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2025. The statutory national closing date for applications is 31 October 2024. Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year. Please see the secondary school's website for further details on their open days.

Primary School Admissions

Applications for primary school places are open until 15th January 2025.



CALENDAR DATES - <https://www.holytrinitych.org.uk/calendar> & APP
NEW DATES ARE HIGHLIGHTED AND IN BOLD

Autumn Term and Spring Term Dates (Further dates will be added soon)

- 28.11.2024 Non Uniform day for Bringing a Bottle for bottle tombola stall
- 29.11.2024 Non-Pupil Day
- 06.12.2024 PTFA Christmas Bazaar after school
- 11.12.2024 Christmas dinner
- 12.12.2024 Nativity performance in The Empire 10.00am And 1.30pm
- 17.12.2024 Christmas Service (KS1 in school 9.30am KS2 in church 1.45pm)
- 19.12.2024 Christmas Film at the Empire Theatre
- 20.12.2024 **Non Pupil Day**
- 21.12.2024 Christmas holidays
- 17.02.2025 Half term holiday (1 week)
- 06.03.2025 World Book Day
- 07.04.2025 Easter holidays (2 weeks)

All term dates, and INSET days for 2024/25 can be found at [www.https://www.holytrinitych.org.uk/term-dates](https://www.holytrinitych.org.uk/term-dates)

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EYFS at their first Muddy Monday sessions in our forest school area.



Pangolin Class have made some human number sentences for addition. It was great to see them using each other work to out the answers.

Our tree is on display as part of the Christmas tree festival at St Andrew's Church. The title for our tree is 'A Gift for Nature at Christmas.' Please go and take a look at the weekend if you can and vote for us!
Our wonderful creation uses mainly natural materials, led by Mrs Kemp and supported by Mrs Rose, Mrs Butterley, Mrs Hislop and many children from the school. The team have worked very hard.



YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

WE'VE LAUNCHED A LOTTERY

Buy your tickets now to help our fundraising

- Tickets cost just £1
- All profits go to our school
- Local cash prize every week
- Chance to win the £25,000 jackpot!

To start supporting, visit:
yourschoollottery.co.uk
and search for: Holy Trinity

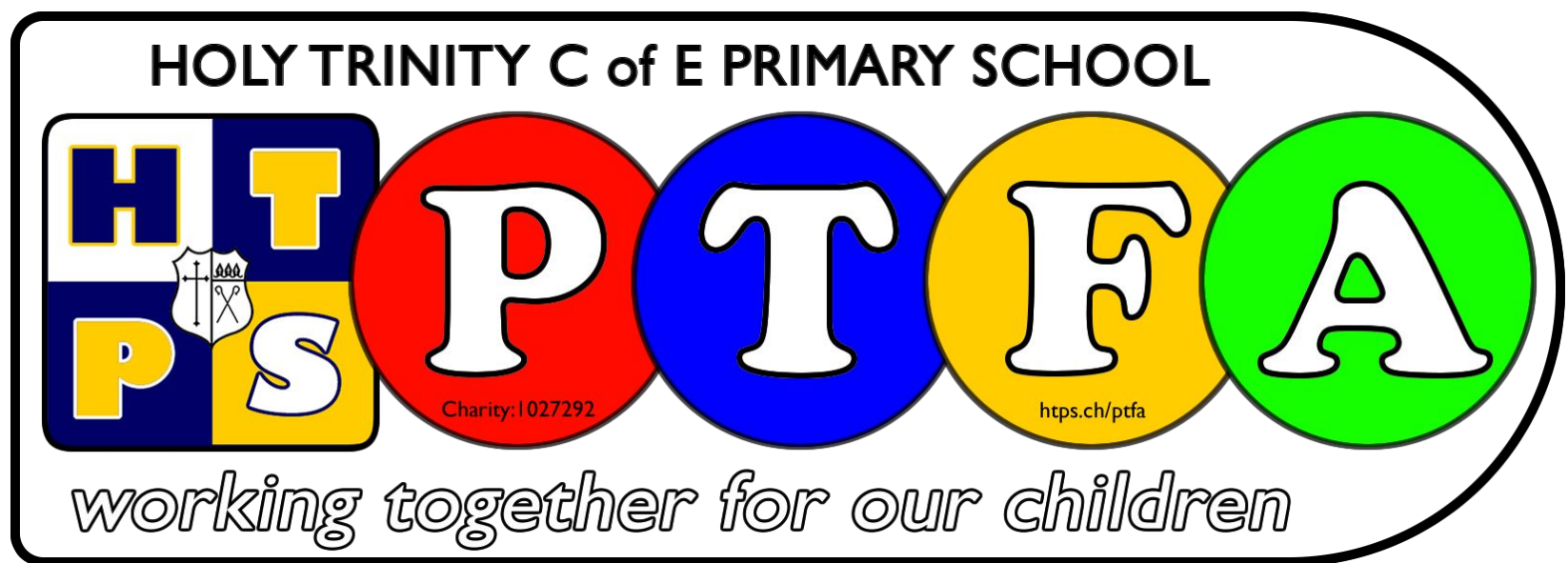
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The autumn is well and truly here and the PTFA are busy getting ready for the Christmas period. We have been working tirelessly, raising support from local businesses who are donating raffle prizes for the upcoming Christmas Bazaar. We have also been helping the school on a few exciting projects.

A few dates for your diary are:

- Thursday 28th November will be the annual non-uniform, bring a bottle day.
- Friday 6th December we will be hosting our annual Christmas Bazaar.
- Thursday 19th December the PTFA have paid for the whole school to see 'The Polar Express' at the Empire Cinema in Halstead.

Alongside our year six's enterprise stalls, we will have a Grotto, Elfridges, refreshments and much more. We are still looking for our top three raffle prizes, advertised on our raffle tickets, if you know of anyone that would be willing to donate, please contact ptfa@holytrinityhalstead.com.

Talking of all things Christmas, we asked each of the children to design a Christmas card available for parents, guardians and carers to purchase. Once these are available to order, we will make sure you get all of details, so you can purchase your child's personalised card.

This autumn term the PTFA been helping Year 3 gather the materials needed to build their Bee Byway, a fantastic eco friendly project. Through generous donations from Travis Perkins and Harlow. Timber Systems, Halstead, we have been able to help source the new fencing for the byway.

The PTFA are always keen to get involved with school projects and the local community.

We recently entered the Guy Fawkes Trail, did you see our Guy?



We would like to thank all of the volunteers who helped at both the KS1 and KS2 disco on 25th October, it was such a fun evening. We would also like to thank each of the parents for their continued support of the PTFA. We are really keen to get more parents involved within the PTFA. Do you have any ideas that you would like to put forward or would you like to participate or volunteer? If you want to know more about the PTFA, who we are and what we are doing with the funds we raise, please email us at ptfa@holytrinityhalstead.co.uk.

Our next meeting will be held virtually 28th November. If you would like to join us, please keep an eye out for an APP message with the joining instructions.

The PTFA Team

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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

WORSHIP THEME: COURAGE

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9



The club, Engineering for Kids, is in full swing with the children busy putting their design and technology and engineering skills to good use. There has been some positive feedback from the children about the activities on offer.

2024



Come and join us at
St Andrew's Kids Church!



7th July
 4th August
 1st September
 6th October
 3rd November
 1 December

First Sunday of the month in the
 St Andrew's Centre at 10.15 am

Children of all ages welcome,
 pre-school children must be
 accompanied by an adult



VISIT OUR WARM AND WELCOMING SCHOOL



SCHOOL TOUR
 Tour with School Council representatives.



MEET THE TEAM
 Meet members of EYFS setting.



HEADTEACHER INTRODUCTION
 Find out about the school's offer and future plans.

FIND OUT WHAT LEARNING IS ALL ABOUT DURING OUR SCHOOL OPEN DAYS!

GET IN TOUCH
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13 & 21st November
 AM and PM
 Bookings Open Now

Workshops



We are offering **FREE** monthly workshops for parents/carers of children with **SEND/additional needs** in northeast Essex at Mistley Village Hall on:

- 7.10.24 - Sensory processing with Monette Dormant
- 4.11.24 - EHCNA request with Families InFocus
- 2.12.24 - Sensory processing with Monette Dormant
- 6.1.25 - DLA/PIP with DAWN Support
- 3.2.25 - Refusal to assess with Families InFocus
- 3.3.25 - FIF workshop (topic tbc)
- 12.5.25 - Sensory processing with Monette Dormant
- 2.6.25 - Transitions with Families InFocus
- 7.7.25 - Sensory processing with Monette Dormant

Booking via Eventbrite.

For more information and booking, follow us on Facebook and see our website:

www.themazegroup.co.uk/coffee_morning

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