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WWW.HTTPS.CH/NEWSLETTER - MONDAY 19TH DECEMBER 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

At the end of the Autumn Term, it is hard to believe just how much we have managed to squeeze into the curriculum and how many enrichment opportunities we have provided in school! Everyone has worked so hard and it has been wonderful to see the children's progress and happiness in school.

ALL THE CHILDREN HAVE ENJOYED THROUGH WIDER CURRICULUM, ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

Roald Dahl Day

National Poetry Day

WORSHIP THEME

***Christmas
A precious son,
a gift for
all the World***

"And God showed his love for us by sending his only Son into the world, so that we might have life through him." 1 John 4.9

World Kindness and Mental Health Day with Yoga lessons

Art Solutions 3D Art Work

China Virtual Exchange

Visitors for French Exchange, Firework Safety, Recycling

Anti-bullying Week

Visitors from the Church and Community

Daisy our therapy dog

Online Safety Day

Colchester Zoo Rocks 60th Anniversary Community Project

Children in Need and Christmas Jumper Day



So much time and effort go into all that happens at school in recent weeks; from creating nativity scenes and helping the children learn lines, to rehearsing carols & Christmas songs and Christmas enterprise projects, whilst still continuing to do all the very many other things that happen in school every day to ensure great teaching and learning. Thank you to all the staff, parents, carers, and volunteers who support our children so well. Our governors too are volunteers who give selflessly to support our school by asking questions and supporting key decisions. This again is very much appreciated – thank you.

On behalf of all of the staff, I would like to wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a happy and healthy new year.

Sarah Rowe

Well done to all our EYFS & KS1 children for their wonderful Nativity performances.



CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our Christmas Carol Services last week.

We hope you enjoyed the singing and readings, and it helped get you into the festive spirit. We apologize that we were unable to accommodate everyone who may have wished to attend in our much-smaller school hall, but the snow and ice made it impossible to walk up the hill to St. Andrew's Church.

For those of you who couldn't make it we have recorded the songs and you can listen to them via

www.holytrinityhalstead.com/church

MERRY

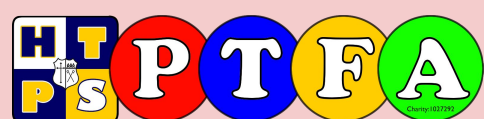
CHRISTMAS

EVERYONE!

E-SAFETY - THE TWO JOHNS - WEDNESDAY 11th JANUARY 2023

John Woodley & John Staines, also known as 'The 2 Johns', will be re-visiting Holy Trinity on Wednesday 11th January 2023. They will be working with pupils and staff, and then from 8-9pm they will be providing a virtual presentation for parents. Full details on how to access the presentation will be provided in the new year, but please keep the date free!

About The 2 Johns - Over the past five years you may have seen either one of the '2 Johns' present at numerous key events. They have completed interviews for BBC Breakfast TV, BBC Radio 4, Channel 4 TV and numerous other local radio stations and have presented in schools across the UK. As well as working with many individual schools and organisations 'The 2 Johns' are proud to work collaboratively with many partners to deliver various large scale community based projects.



PTFA CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Thank you to everyone who supported this year's bazaar, including the following sponsors of our raffle!

Michaels Property Consultants
Gainsborough Bath Spa
Bespoke Metal Craft
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Empire Theatre
The Shish Meze & Grill
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Busy Beans Bistro
Krazy Cuts
Enhance Me Aesthetics
The Hook of Halstead
Toy Crazy
Eco-Party Kit Hire
Spice Zone
Colchester Road Coop
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Halstead Cafe
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NH Hedge Cutting Services
Liz Barry
Costa Halstead
Essex Pottery Studios
White Hart Halstead
Baldwins
Retroformers
Annie Barter Poetry
Leaders Estate Agents

ART SOLUTIONS

Those of you who were able to attend our Carol Service will have seen, on the hall wall, some of the work that was produced. Thank you to the PTFA for making a contribution to this project.

We all enjoyed a fabulous Christmas dinner!



Erin brought in some knitted nativity characters that her grandmother had made so that all the children could see them during the school's last collective worship for the term. Thank you Erin, we were very impressed!

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

20.12.22 - End of Autumn Term
21.12.22 - Winter Solstice
Christmas Holidays
05.01.23 - Start of Spring Term
11.01.23 - E-Safety Training from The 2 Johns
13.01.23 - Vision & Progress Event 9am
15.01.23 - Deadline for Sept 2023 Intake Applications

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

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Help!

CHRISTMAS COMPETITIONS

Congratulations to Henry Mills for winning the School Council's 'Design A Christmas Jumper' competition. The jumper has been printed for Henry to give as a Christmas present to someone in the community.

Well done also to Idris Agha who won the World Cup poster competition for his entry on Portugal and, specifically, Cristiano Ronaldo.

Thank you to everyone who took part in these competitions and to the School Council for organising them.



Can you find the eight Christmas presents?

BIBLES

Over the past couple of weeks, Rev Katie has been presenting the children in Reception and Year 6 with bibles. It is a tradition that we feel fortunate to uphold and reinforces the important links that we have with the church and the community.



RESPECT.

HONESTY.

LOVE.