



Curriculum Newsletter

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Our PE day is: Monday

Our homework day is: Reading as well as Letters and Sounds should be practised **daily**. Spellings are given on a Monday and tested on the following Monday. They will also be given a short piece of Literacy or Maths homework, given out on a Friday to return back to class by the following Wednesday.

Our maths award day is: Friday (Bi-Weekly)

Our theme for this term is: Gardiner's World. Our visit this term will be to the Seaside!

Literacy

Stories reflecting on own experience.

The children will study the text 'Alfie Outdoors' by Shirley Hughes to make comparisons and reflect on fiction and relate this to own personal experiences.

- **Explanations**

The children will be growing beans to link in with our topic 'Gardiner's World'. This will then lead on to writing a bean diary. The children will draw pictures to illustrate their observations and write sentences to support their findings, leading onto creating one final explanation piece.

- **Poetry (Rhyming couplets and performing free verse)**

The children will listen to, read, write and perform poetry based on our topic work related to plant life and the seasonal change.

Maths

- Number and place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions, properties of shape, money, measures, position and direction.

Each of these areas will be taught cyclically; with children reviewing and revisiting each idea throughout the term. In addition to this, where plausible and possible the maths objectives will be linked with other areas of the curriculum.

Science

- The children will identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees.

- They will also be identifying and describing the basic structure of variety of common flowering plants, including trees.

- The children will continue to study seasonal changes.

Computing

- ★ Learning about ICT in the world and creating graphs from collected data.
- ★ Making simple online games using 2DIY.
- ★ Using and creating algorithms with floor robots.
- ★ Editing photos and font styles to create posters.
- ★ Reminders of e-safety rules.

History

- The children will be taught about the significance of the Courtauld Family in their own locality of Halstead.

Geography

- Name and locate the four countries of the UK using national flowers as a starting point.

- Use four compass directions and simple vocabulary.

Music

- Music will follow the Charanga program which allows children to develop a range of musical skills. They will be using their voice expressively through a range of songs, chants, and rhymes. They will be playing tuned and untuned instruments.

Design Technology

During Design and Technology sessions the children will be thinking about healthy eating and preparing a healthy snack after reading Alfie Outdoors and thinking about growing their own vegetables. The children will understand where their ingredients have come from linking with our science topic.

Art

The children will develop and share their ideas in art when creating pieces of work using 'Gardiner's World' as a stimulus. They will use colour, pattern, texture, line, shape and form.

Physical Education

During this term we will be covering the following areas:

Striking and Fielding Games
Athletics.

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-Special things in nature.

The children will explore special things in nature within their own experiences as a starting point and then progress onto study into christianity and other world faiths.

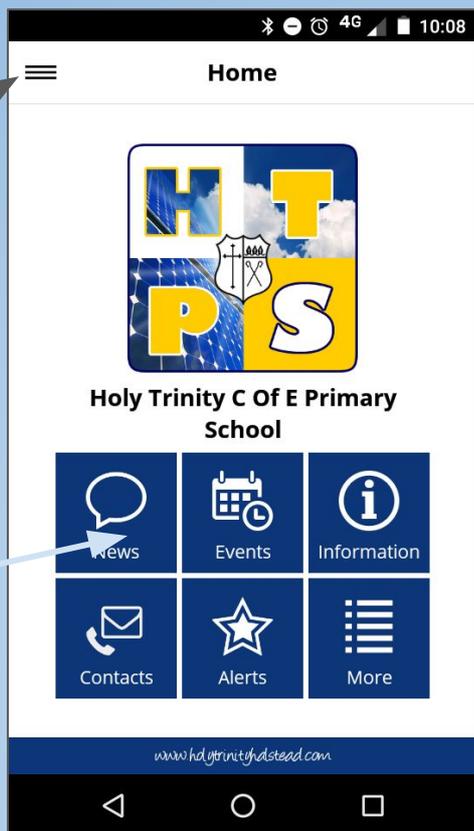
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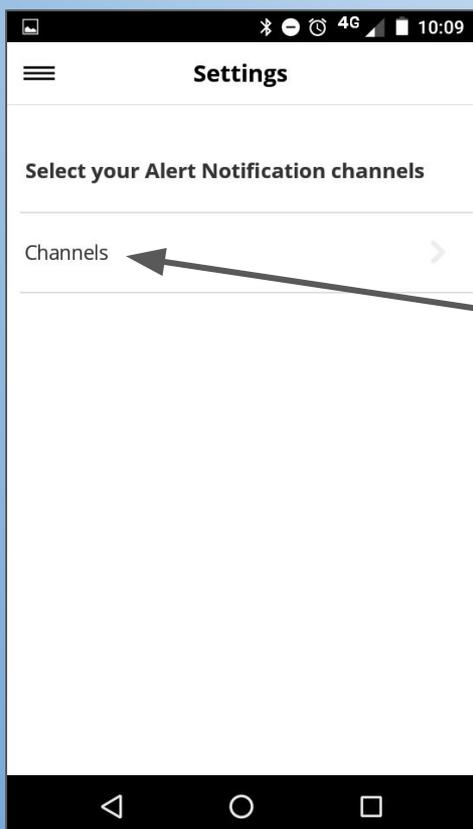
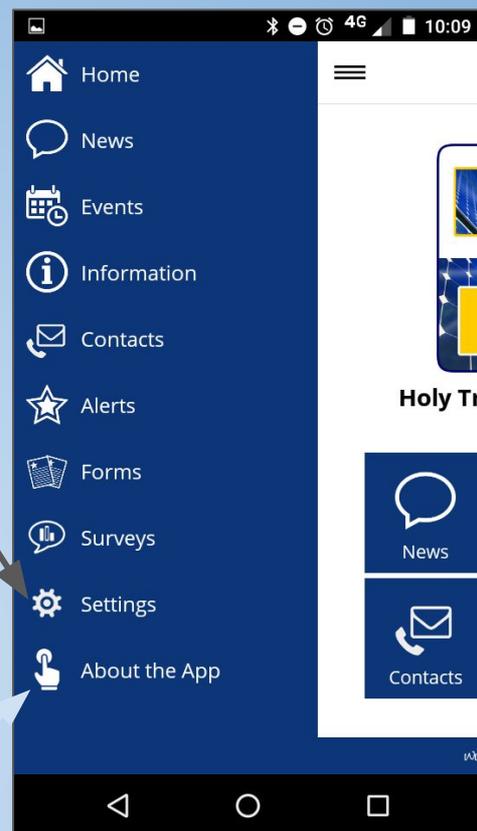


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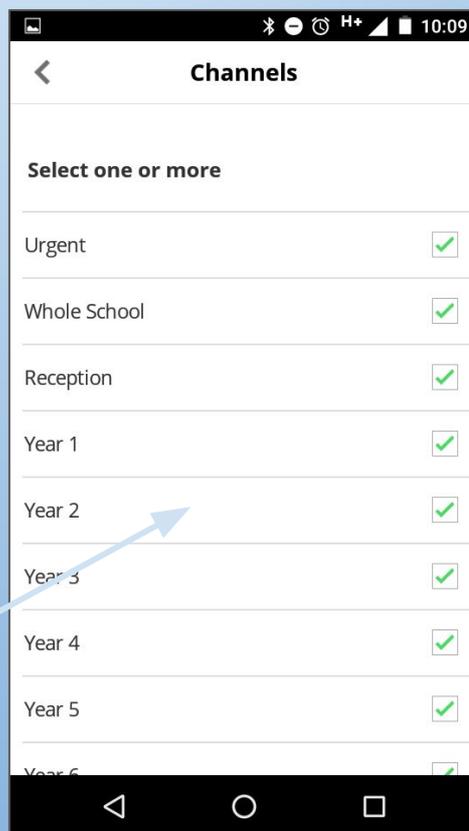
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Following feedback from an app-based survey, we plan to trial lunch updates via the app later this term.

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