

HOLY TRINITY C.E. (A) PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 1 November 2020 email: office@htprimary.co.uk website: <u>www.holytrinity-cuckfield.w-sussex.sch.uk</u> Tel: 01444 454295 Our Christian Value this half term is Compassion

'Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you' Ephesians 4:32

We are all learning to work in different ways, using new technology all the time. Before March only a few had heard of zoom or Google Teams meetings and here we are in schools having virtual meetings on a very regular basis! Our teachers and support staff have learnt how to use Google classrooms, which should be a positive experience for children, staff and parents should there be further Yeargroup isolations or lockdowns. It is a very different experience to being a classroom teacher and one we have had to accomplish, whilst doing our normal job in the classroom. I think we would all much prefer to be in our normal classroom role. I do hope you all found our virtual parent consultations useful. We have had some very positive feedback from parents about the on line meetings and I think both parents and teachers got to grips with the technology extremely well for a first attempt. **Harvest** - Thank you so much for the Harvest donations, which were shared between the Haywards Heath food bank and the Family Support charity linked to Holy Trinity Church.

Birthday cake competition

Thank you so much to Reuben and Sienna's mum, Mrs Nelson, who has kindly organised a cake competition for Reception – Year 2 and Key Stage 2. The children worked so hard to design their own birthday cake and the two winners are going to have their design made into a cake for their birthday. Congratulations to Alexander (Damson class) and Joel (Juniper class) for their two lovely designs. They are both looking forward to seeing their cakes on their birthdays in January & March!



Alexander is very pleased!



Joel is excited about his mountain goat!

Treat Donations – We would like to thank the church, parishioners and family support group for donating tinned and packet food for local families. As we start thinking about Christmas, we would like to ask if parents felt able to donate an item to our "Treats for Families at Christmas." It has been a very difficult year for families all around the UK and Christmas is a particularly hard time, for families with children, affording all the treats we all enjoy eating. Treats may include mince pies, selection boxes, crisps, fizzy

drinks, biscuits etc. We will put a box by the field door for any donations and make sure they are delivered to families in our local area. Thank you for your support.

PTA – Huge thank you again to our absolutely amazing PTA members, who organised the bag drop, which raised over £300 for our school, to benefit the children.

We are also delighted to say the outdoor classroom building structure is now finished and is already been used by our children. Thank you to the PTA for helping us achieve our dream. Also thank you to Mr Merchant and his lovely team of builders, who have done a wonderful job for us in building the classroom. It is a well built and beautiful structure, which will be very well used to enrich our children's learning. We have also heard that today Nicola Brewerton, one of our governors and a Year 5 parent has secured a further grant for furniture for our lovely outdoor classroom! Thank you.







We are so lucky! Thank you to all parents, who have made this happen through so many fund raisers and kind donations.

Forest School Adventures!

Year 2 mucking in!



Children still had to wash their hands!











Year 3 children as busy as bees!

















Thank you "Grounds team" for our canopy, Year 4 enjoyed sheltering! Reception enjoyed their first taste of Forest School at Holy Trinity



Making stick men



Climbing trees



Making a Rainbow tree



Discussing what they need to do!



Swinging just for fun!



Identifying animals who may live in our grounds

Dull November days- see what's happening in our lovely school!

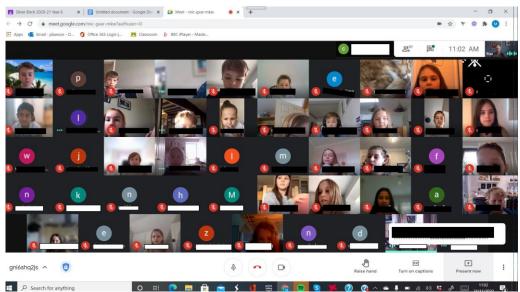


William and Mrs Vander working hard on fractions



Year 6's very moving display about "Remembrance Day."

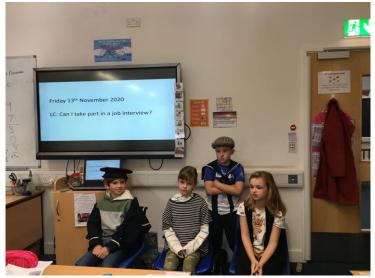
We are currently missing our Year 6 children and look forward to seeing them in school again on Monday! Huge congratulations to Year 6 teachers, who are working incredibly hard to motivate, engage and have fun with the children during home school learning. Children and staff have had to learn a completely new way of working and I am proud of them all for working so hard to come to grip with live lessons, " turning work in!" and bearing with some small technical hitches along the way. Huge thank you also to Ms Raciti, who has been unfailingly cheerful, as well as supporting staff, children and parents in grappling with any technical glitches! The Holy Trinity team has shown what a great team they are!



Ms Dawson taught nearly 60 Year 6 children online during an English input and said they were absolutely amazing! Year 5



Will Lars or Alice be chosen for Shackleton's Expedition?"



In role Christopher, May, Alfie and Mia do not look keen to go!



Year 5 enjoyed doing the "Hey, Macarena" during lunch time!

Home remote learning then also began for Year 5. Again the children and staff have been absolutely incredible and children are engaging well with live lessons. Year 5 staff and children too are learning new skills and to work in a completely new way. Huge congratulations again to them I am very proud of you all!

Year 4 Maple & Oak classes were busy doing maths and were so excited about competing times tables to beat the other Year 4 class!







Year 3



Year 3 children practising spellings



Football skills also being practised by Lime class



Juniper children enjoying a very active music lesson



Hawthorn class enjoyed listening to Ethan playing his cello

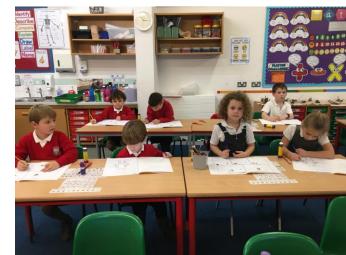


Luke and Teddy designed great posters in science about keeping healthy with exercise and food

Year 1 – The children were very busy learning about their senses in a science lesson.



Halle, Charlie, Sophie and Logan matching senses Reception



Ryan, Ollie, Emmy and Phoebe explained what their senses were



Enjoying using chalk to draw with



Apple class are drawing a road map from their tracks



Reception children are following a trail, balancing along the track.