



Trinity Church School

Learning, Growing, Believing Together



Friday 3rd October 2025

Newsletter 02

Our core Christian Values: *Trust, Friendship, Creativity, Courage, Respect, Compassion*

Author Visit

On Wednesday 1st October, author Lucy Noguera visited Trinity and delivered a whole-school presentation for pupils from Nursery through to Year 6. She then spent 30 minutes with Years 5 and 6, followed by another 30 minutes with Years 1 and 2. Lucy is the author of the "Swop" series of books and "Herman Needs A Home" which is a lovely book aimed at Key Stage 1 children. The children were highly engaged and thrilled to have the opportunity to meet an author in person. If you would like to order any of the books (see flyer attached), please reply to the Google form sent out on Seesaw - the deadline for this is Sunday evening.



Virtual Story

On Wednesday 17th September, we were delighted to welcome author Sarah Surgey, writer of "Ebbs and Flows" and "Greener Grass", for a special virtual visit. Although Sarah had originally planned to join us in person last summer, we were thrilled to be able to rearrange her visit online. She shared her stories with our Nursery, Reception, and Years 1-3 children who listened with great enthusiasm. The children asked thoughtful and imaginative questions, and Sarah was full of praise for their engagement and curiosity.

House Points Winners

House Point winners week ending 19th September were **Topaz** House and week ending 26th September the winners were **Sapphire** House. Today's winners were **Sapphire** House. Well done!



Attendance Winners

Congratulations to **Conker** and **Cedar** Classes who had 100% attendance week ending 19th September, **Conker** and **Chestnut** Classes had best attendance last week and **Redwood** Class who have best attendance this week. Well done!

MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

How are we doing?*

Year R:	99.0%
Year 1:	98.5%
Year 2:	98.0%
Year 3:	95.1%
Year 4:	97.3%
Year 5:	95.7%
Year 6:	97.6%

*Class attendance percentages for this academic year so far

Headteacher's Award

Conker:	Thea, Leo, Elena
Chestnut:	Huw, Luna, Ayla
Cedar:	Daisy, Amelia, Evan
Willow:	Holly, Francesca, Aron
Cherry:	Reggie, Caspar, Clara
Maple:	Joshua, Brodie, Harry
Redwood:	Bella, Sonny, January



Outside Achievements



Congratulations to all the children for their Outside Achievements:

- **Lewis & Rosa Y2 & Albie Y4** all moved up to Level 3 swimming with **Nevaeh Y5** passing Level 8
- **Toby Y2 & Jack Y3** have both won trophies at football
- **Ayla Y1** was Star of the Day at Gymnastics as was **Willow B Y1** who, in addition, received a winners medal for a gymnastic competition and also passed Level 4 in Gymnastics. **Cassie Y1** came 3rd in her Gymnastic competition and was also Star of the Day. **Margot Y1** and **Florence Y1** both received Proficiency Certificates for Gymnastics. **Amelia Y2** received a proficiency award in Gymnastics. **Lillie-May Y6** won a medal in Gymnastics
- **Toby Y2** took part in a Baseball competition
- **Frances Y4** gained a badge for Horse Riding
- **Lucien & Lilith** both received certificates for being Inspired Schools Stars



Acorn Class



Class News:

The children in Acorn Class have had a brilliant few weeks getting involved in lots of exciting learning! We've been enjoying a new rhyme: "The Wheels on the Bus" with plenty of singing, actions and smiles. In Maths, the children have been exploring matching and sorting activities and are beginning to develop early counting skills through play. Our Squirrel group had a special treat when they joined the whole school for an author visit where they heard all about the picture book: "Herman Needs a Home". We've also been observing Autumn artefacts in class, from crunchy leaves to conkers, and noticing how the seasons are changing around us. After a rainy start to the term, the children have made the most of the sunny weather recently and have loved spending time learning and playing outdoors. We are also very proud of their beautiful artwork created for our whole-school Excellence Exhibition - they've shown such creativity and focus!

Miss Wood



Conker Class



Class News:

Now that all the children have settled so beautifully into Conker Class, we've had a fantastic start to our learning! In Phonics, we've begun exploring our Phase 2 letters and sounds, and the children are doing so well. In Maths, we've been busy with matching and sorting activities, and it's been wonderful to see their confidence growing. Our story focus has been: *"The Little Red Hen"* - we've loved learning actions to help us remember the language, sequencing the story, and creating our very own story maps. The children also had great fun making their own Little Red Hen crafts! We've been especially proud of the hard work everyone has put into their artwork for our Excellence Exhibition - what a creative start to the year!

In RE, we have been discussing the things and people who are special to us. We loved showing each other a special object from home and spoke about why it means so much to us. We have also been learning about this term's Christian Value - *Friendship*. We listened to the Bible story: *"The Good Samaritan"* and thought about what it means to be a good friend.

Miss Willis and Mrs Clements



Chestnut Class



Class News:

Wow, what an amazing few weeks we've had in Chestnut Class!

The highlight of the term so far has been our exciting adventure to The Egg Theatre in Bath. The children showed their resilience and positivity when our morning started off a little differently to what we had expected. The children loved watching: *"The Three Little Pigs"* as there was lots of audience participation required!

Inspired by the show, we have been describing the 'big bad wolf' and the pigs in our English lessons. We have focused on using finger spaces in our writing.

In Maths, we have been comparing numbers using words and symbols such as '*greater than*', '*less than*' and '*equal to*'. We have been playing lots of games with our maths partners to help us remember the symbols. We have been using number tracks to help us find 'one more' and 'one less' than a given number.

We have really enjoyed finding out about *Picasso* and exploring his abstract art. We used mirrors to study our faces and cut up photographs of ourselves to develop our understanding of self-portraiture. We've had lots of fun experimenting with line and colour to create our artwork ready for the Excellence Exhibition.

Well done Chestnut Class, keep working hard and having fun!

Mrs O'Brien



Cedar Class

Class News:

What a busy but fantastic few weeks we have had since the start of the year.

In Maths, we have been continuing to explore *place value* and how we can partition numbers in different ways. We have been using this knowledge to help us to recognise and order numbers on a number line, then estimate where a number might be on an incomplete number line.

In PE, we have continued to develop our different hand strokes during tennis. Alongside this, we have been really developing our coordination and making sure that we are moving with control.

In History, we have been enjoying learning about World War 1. We have been quite shocked by how different life was during the war.

We particularly enjoyed looking at some artefacts and replica memorabilia from that period.

This week in Science, we continued our learning about animals. We enjoyed answering the question '*How do humans change as they get older?*' We used tape measures and completed a little investigation to use our 'pattern seeking' skills to answer questions.

We have absolutely loved working towards the Excellence Exhibition and exploring the work of *Pablo Picasso*. The children all demonstrated real enthusiasm and determination to work towards their final pieces!

Well done, Cedar Class. Keep up the fantastic work.

Mr Cozens



Willow Class

Class News:

It has been another busy two weeks in Willow Class!

In Maths, we are coming to the end of our *place value* topic. The children spent last week estimating numbers on a number line and this week we have been comparing and ordering three-digit numbers. In our next topic, we will be looking at *addition and subtraction*.

In English, we have continued our story on the: "*Three Billy Goats Gruff*". We spent last week writing expanded noun phrases to describe the characters and the setting. This week, the children wrote a descriptive opening paragraph based on our novel. I was so impressed with their writing, they all had a go at expanding their sentences - well done, Willow Class!

Throughout the last few weeks,

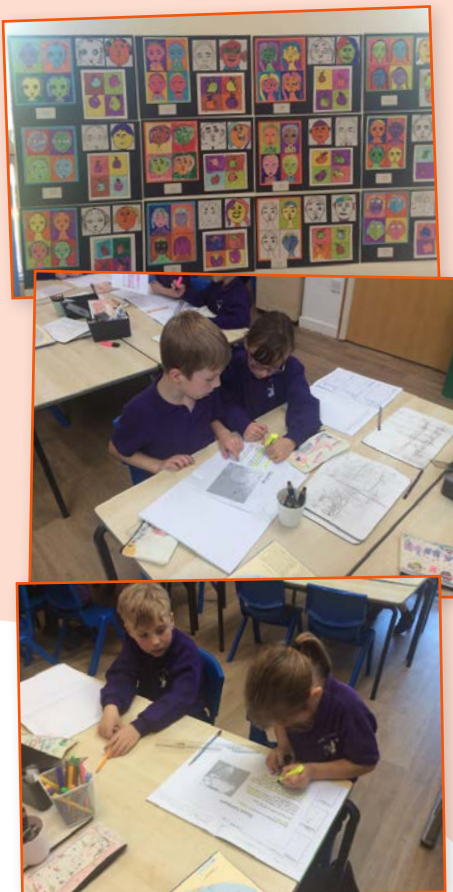


Willow Class has been working incredibly hard towards our Excellence Exhibition. We have spent time looking at our chosen artist *Andy Warhol* and using his art techniques to inspire our portraits. All the children have worked incredibly hard and have demonstrated great resilience with their art work. They should all be incredibly proud of themselves!

Finally, in Geography the children have continued learning about rivers and mountains. Last week, the children were introduced to the three formations of mountains. This week, they looked at famous mountains across the world and located them by using an atlas.

Well done for all your hard work, Willow Class - keep it up!

Miss Jones



Cherry Class



Class News:

In Maths, we have been focusing on addition and subtraction. The children have done brilliantly with adding two 4-digit numbers, even when it involves two or more exchanges. They have shown great confidence with this concept and will soon be applying their skills to subtraction as we move into the next part of our unit.

In English, we've been preparing to write a setting description based on the barn in the story: "*Charlotte's Web*". The children have impressed us with their use of expanded noun phrases, personification and prepositions to build vivid and imaginative sentences. Next week, we will bring all of this together as they write their final descriptive pieces.

Our Art lessons have been buzzing with creativity as we prepared for the Excellence Exhibition. The children have been tracing self-portraits and experimenting with bold colours to create vibrant backgrounds inspired by Andy Warhol's pop art style.

We've had a fantastic start to our trips this year! The children thoroughly enjoyed their visit to The Newt, where they expanded their knowledge of Roman life. We're looking forward to continuing this learning with our upcoming visit to the Roman Baths on Monday. Please remember children need to be in school by 8.15am for this trip!

Miss Walker



Maple Class



Class News:

It has been another busy couple of weeks in Maple Class! In Maths, we have started a new unit of learning on *addition and subtraction*. In English, we have finished our independent piece of writing on: "*The Highwayman*" by Alfred Noyes. I have been blown away by the children's efforts with their writing and the creative, descriptive vocabulary they have used. Well done!

In Science, we have continued to learn about the planets as part of our *Earth and Space* topic. In History, we have been looking at some famous Ancient Egyptian pharaohs, including *Tutankhamun* and *Cleopatra*.

We were fortunate enough to be visited by author Lucy Noguera who travelled all the way from London to share some information about her books with us. The children participated in a Q&A session and learned about the inspirations behind Lucy's books.

The children have been taking a lot of time and care over their self-portraits for our Excellence Exhibition. Everyone has put in a huge amount of effort and we hope you enjoyed seeing how amazing their creations are!

Keep up the good work, Year 5!

Mr Hancock



Class News:

Redwood Class



We went to London last week! Our trip was an amazing experience for all of the children - we went on the train, the tube and visited The Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey. We also walked through St James's Park and took time to observe Buckingham Palace.

In class, we have been writing persuasive speeches as part of our learning on Black History Month about racial equality. In Science, we are still learning about light and how it is reflected. In Maths, our focus is on *place value*. And, in PE, we have been enjoying handball and netball lessons. It has been a very busy start to Year 6!

Miss Phillips



Thought of the week

This month we take time to reflect on our diverse world and join in with Black History Month. This week Mr Pollock has led several assemblies to start our month of learning and reflection. Our big question followed this theme:

The theme of Black History Month 2025 is 'Standing Firm in Power and Pride.' Every October is a chance to celebrate the strength, resilience and achievements of the Black community.

One example is the West Indian Sports and Social Club based in Moss Side, Manchester, which was started in 1953 by people who came from the Caribbean, known as the Windrush generation. It gave families a safe place to meet, play cricket and football, dance, share food, and celebrate their culture and feel proud of their history. Now, new housing plans nearby could make it harder for the club to carry on, and the community is speaking up to protect it.

Over the years, it has welcomed famous visitors, like Nelson Mandela, and has been a proud part of the local community.

About 200 new homes are planned to be built near

the club. Some people worry this could make things harder for the club e.g., noise or less space. The community wants to protect the club, because it is an important part of their history and who they are.

The club is a place where the Black community in Manchester can feel proud and included. It helps young people learn about their history and feel connected to it.

The local area is now considering how to build new homes while still looking after special community places.

Discussion Point

What place, story, or tradition in your community makes you feel proud? Talk about how pride can come from remembering and celebrating the people and places that tell a story, and from working together to make sure they're not forgotten.

Reflection: A community is more than just buildings. It is the people, stories, and pride shared in their history. We can all help protect and celebrate what makes our communities special.



Christian Values Awards



The children recognised for demonstrating our Christian Values over the last two weeks are:

- Friendship:** **Ava Y4, Annabelle Y6**
Respect: **Betty Y2, All children who scattered wildflower seed**
Creativity: **Olivia Y1**
Compassion: **Taylor, Matty, Ereeza & Drew Y1, Ava Y4**

A note about safeguarding...

If you ever have any concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of our pupils, please contact the school to speak to our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Miss Phillips, or any of our safeguarding team - Mrs Parsons, Mr Pollock, Mrs Hurley or Mrs Duery.

The safety of our young people is the responsibility of us all.

Dates for your Calendar: 2025/26 - Term 1

Monday 6th October	Roman Baths trip	Year 4
Weds 8th - Fri 10th October	African workshops (£14 per child on ParentPay)	Reception to Year 6
Friday 10th October	Hello Yellow fundraising day	Whole School
Monday 13th October	School photos - individual & sibling	Whole School
Tuesday 14th October - Monday 20th October	Scholastic book fair	Whole School
Thursday 16th October	Cherry Class Assembly - 9.15am	Year 4
Thursday 23rd October	Harvest Festival Assembly - at Trinity - 9.15am	Whole School
Thursday 23rd October	Monster Mash Disco - 5.00pm - 6.30pm	Reception to Year 6
Friday 24th October	INSET Day - school closed to children	Whole School
Friday 24th October	End of Term 1	Whole School

Dates for your Calendar: 2025/26 - Term 2

Monday 3rd November	Start of Term 2	Whole School
Friday 14th November	Children in Need day	Whole School

School Aged Health Service Webinars for Parents

The School Aged Health Service is offering free webinars focused on Sleep and Emotional Health and Wellbeing for parents and carers of primary school-aged children. These sessions will provide information and practical tips to help children build healthy sleep habits and emotional resilience.

To sign up, please scan the QR code below. These webinars are also available to view afterwards via the School-Aged Health Service website under 'Helpful Advice':

Sleep Webinar



Dates: **Weds 22nd Oct 25**

Time: 13:00-14:00

Date: **Weds 3rd Dec 25**

Time: 13:00-14:00

<https://baneschildandfamily.co.uk/services/school-aged-health-service-5-19-years>

Author Visit

Lucy Noguera is coming to see us next Wednesday 1st October. You have the opportunity to purchase her books (£7.99 each). Please indicate on the form if you would like to place an order – she will bring signed copies of any books ordered by Tuesday afternoon!

Key Stage 1: Herman Needs a Home

Key Stage 2: The Satsuma Sized Secret / The Daring Dinosaur Detective

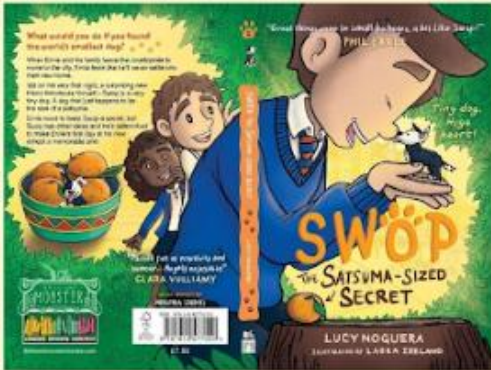
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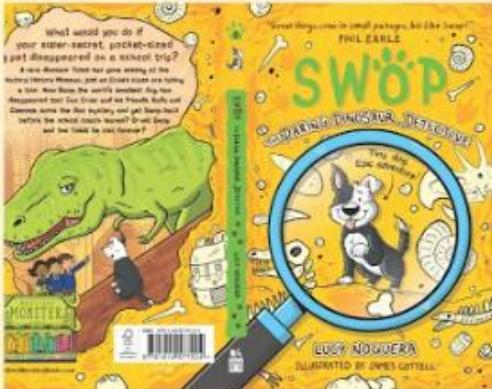
Pre-order signed copies via school - all books will be signed by Lucy!

Swop 1 - The Satsuma Sized Secret

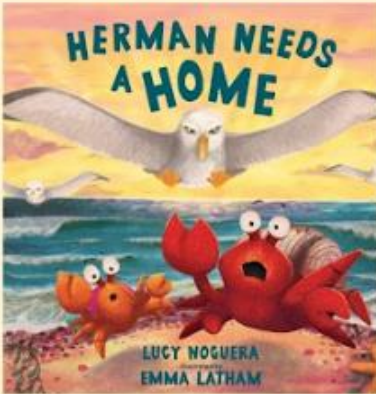


ALL BOOKS £7.99 EACH
***ORDER BOTH SWOPS (KS2) to receive a FREE SWOP BOOKMARK!**

Swop 2 - The Daring Dinosaur Detective



Herman Needs A Home



Picture Book £7.99 KS1
Recycling/Hermit Crabs/Adventure story

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PLAY & WELLBEING GROUP MIDSOMER NORTON

Come and be part of a welcoming space where families with primary aged children and siblings can grow, play, and connect through planned activities and free play with their child(ren).

Facilitated by our Play Support Workers, our weekly sessions are designed to support both children and parents by encouraging positive interactions in an inclusive and friendly environment.

Through shared play experiences, families can:

- Build confidence
- Support with wellbeing
- Develop social skills
- Strengthen bonds that carry over into everyday life at home
- meet other parents/carers and feel a real sense of belonging and community.

**SCAN BELOW TO
REGISTER YOUR
INTEREST!**

**Where?**

Somer Centre, Gullock
Tyning, Midsomer Norton,
Radstock
BA3 2UH

**When?**

Starts Thurs 5th June
3.30pm - 4.45pm
Term Time Only



Children's Half Term Workshop

Greyfield Wood

'Halloween Forest Crafts'

Thursday 30th October

10am - 3pm

5-11 year olds

Sibling discount available

Craft Fire Games Fun Friends Nature Connection



Children's Half Term Workshop

Greyfield Wood

'Fairy Tale Survival Skills'

Friday 31st October

10am - 3pm

5-11 year olds

Sibling discount available

Story Walk Fire Den making Friends Nature Connection Fun

