



Trinity Church School

Learning, Growing, Believing Together



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Newsletter 28

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

Acorn Class



Class News:

During the Easter break Acorns enjoyed a virtual visit from Reginald the tortoise. They found out lots of information such as how old he is and that he likes to eat cucumber and lettuce. Dandelions are his favourite treat.



Headteacher's Message

Welcome to the start of the summer term. The sun is shining and it's really strange that we are not all in school together. I want you to know that we are all thinking of you and hope you managed to enjoy the Easter break with your families. I have seen that many of you have had fun trying out some of the Easter activities suggested by your class teachers, as well as enjoying being outdoors in the brilliant weather.

Your teachers have been working really hard to plan this term's learning and I have already been amazed by some of the children's responses to learning tasks this week. The daily struggles of home schooling are not easy and I want to thank each and every one of our parents and carers for the support you are giving your children both academically as well as emotionally. The quality of work and dedication shown by children to their learning is a clear reflection of the support you are giving at home. Your commitment and messages to us have also kept staff motivated - and very busy!

I must once again thank all of our Trinity staff for their tremendous commitment and sense of togetherness. As usual all have gone that extra mile to ensure that children's learning can continue, albeit in a very different way.

At this point we are unsure of when we will return to school. Please carry on doing your best and please get in touch if you need support in any way. Stay safe and stay healthy.

Mrs Parsons

Thought of the week

This term our Christian Value is Creativity. I wonder if during this time of lockdown you have taken some time to notice the changes in the environment as we have transitioned into Spring. The delicate blossom on the trees, the vibrant tulips, daffodils and grape hyacinths or the fresh green leaves appearing on the trees. I am certainly enjoying the longer evenings. Christians believe that God is the creator of all things and we are blessed with infinite variety in nature.

This week can you use your creative skills to draw, paint, sew, knit, write, perform, photograph, mould, and build a representation of spring. Please send pictures of your work to your class teacher via Seesaw or direct to office@trinitychurchschool.com and we can create an online exhibition of 'hope and joy'

Mrs Clements

For every house is built by someone,
but God is the builder of everything.
Hebrews 3:4



Conker Class

Class News:

Conker Class have returned to their term 5 home learning brilliantly. Once again all have been working their socks off! We have been looking at the storybook 'Lost and Found', following the characters' journey to the South Pole. Children have sent postcards home taking on the role of weather reporters, reporting the weather, writing a list of what they would pack in their suitcase to the South Pole and labelling the features of a penguin.

Additionally, children have been outside bird spotting, writing down and drawing pictures of the birds they have seen.

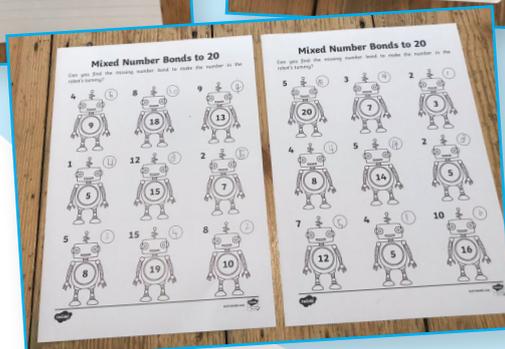
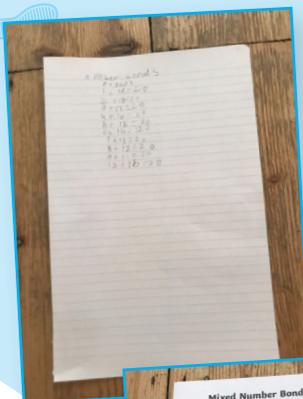
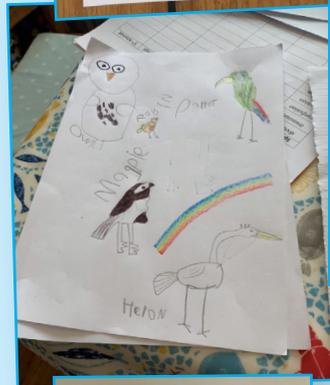
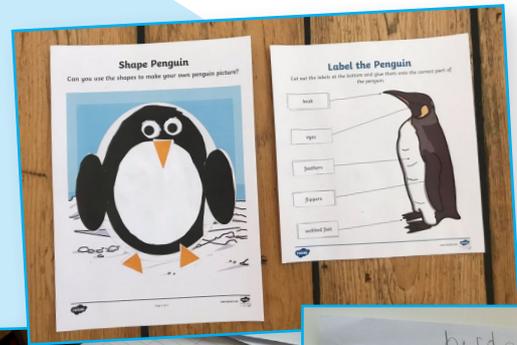
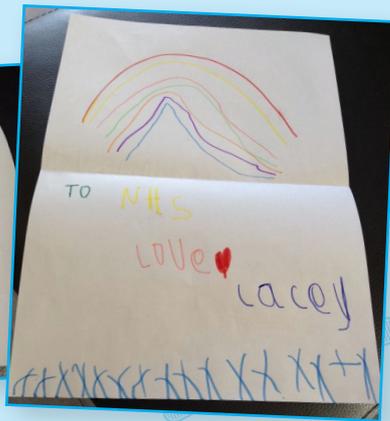
Thank you once again parents for supporting your child. I recognise and thank you for all of your hard work.

Miss Southwell



Christian Value Award

Compassion: Lacey for the lovely picture she made in support of the NHS. Well done Lacey.



HT Award



This week's head teacher award goes to Annabelle. Annabelle has been working so hard over the past few weeks. This week she spotted a baby pigeon and told me all about it. She has been getting creative using playdough to make dog treats and decorating a bus ready to go on a special adventure. I have been particularly pleased with her maths work, working on her number bonds to 20. Amazing!!

Chestnut Class

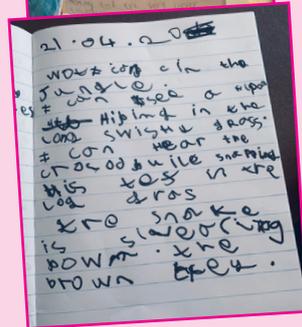
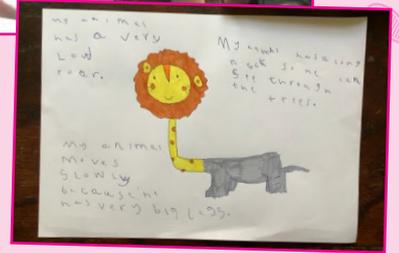
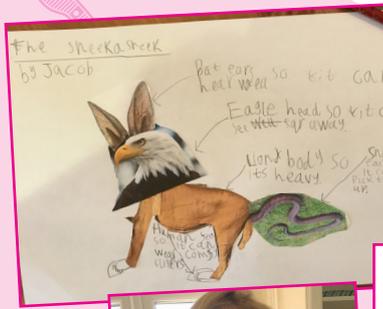
Class News:

Firstly, a huge well done to Chestnut Class who have reached the 50 book milestone on Epic! Let's see how quickly we can read 100 books!

Our first week of Term 5 has seen Chestnut Class venture to the jungle! Our learning has been based around the story 'Rumble in the Jungle'. The children have written some amazing fact files and used adjectives to describe a jungle scene. We've had musicians who have created a jungle soundscape, scientists who have identified and sorted jungle animals and super movers who have moved to the jungle beat! Creativity and enthusiasm has really shone through this week, I've been blown away with the animal creations children have designed. We've had lions on a giraffe's body so that it can be fierce and tall and we've even had an animal with human feet so it can wear slippers!

Thank you once again to the children for your outstanding effort, you have made me smile and laugh every day this week! A big thank you also to the amazing parents has- I appreciate all of your efforts, you are an inspiration!

Mrs Roberts



HT Award

Christian Value Award

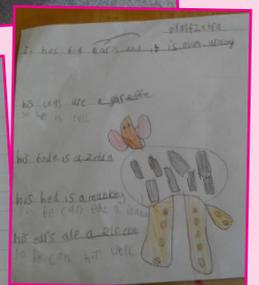


Compassion: Isaac for helping his little brother learn.

Creativity: Ada for writing a jungle song and directing a jungle show with her siblings plus creating a rattle snake!

Creativity: Leo for starting a family band and creating jungle sounds.

Creativity: Elsie-Rose, Fynn and Isaac for their wonderful animal creations.



Cedar Class

Class News:

Cedar Class has started a new topic "Planet Earth" and I have already seen some wonderful artwork linked to our topic! We have had paintings linked to nature and 3D animals from different continents.

We have been scientists this week too, investigating our body and how to take care of it. So far we have been exploring food groups and why they are important. Some of us have been making healthy menus and meals for our family using our new knowledge. A good start to the term Cedar Class - I can't wait to see what you send me next week!

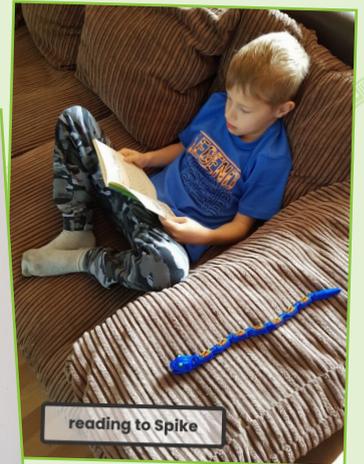
Miss Musgrove



HT Award

This week it is going to Spencer! A hard worker, super bubble maker and a fantastic illustrator.

You are working so hard **Spencer** keep it up!



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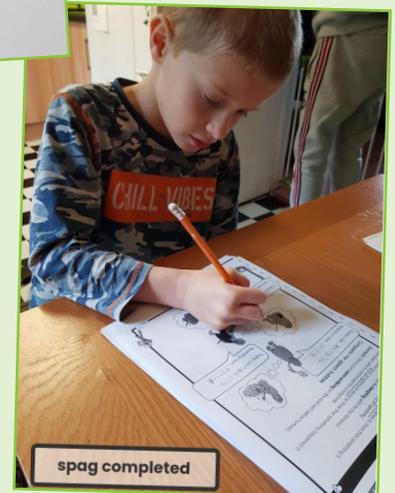


Christian Value Award

Creativity: Rebecca for making play dough animals and painting a beautiful bright tree for our new topic. Isaac and Amelia for their work on the quiz last term.

Courage: Rebecca for persevering with working on tricky maths problems.

Friendship: Ben for making lunch for his sisters.



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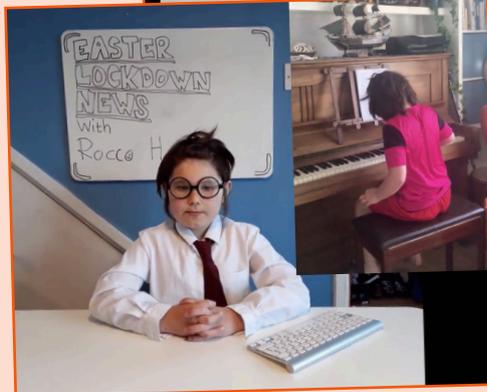
HT Award



Awarding the headteacher award this week has been very tricky as I have been delighted with all of the wonderful work that the whole class has been sharing with me.

As a result, this week's award goes to **Alfie H** AND **Rocco** for their incredible efforts in creating a Newsround report about their Easter holidays.

Their informative reports had me laughing out loud and smiling all day. Well done both of you.



Christian Value Award



Compassion: **Hermione** who painted a series of artworks that have been displayed in the operating theatre at the hospital to make patients smile.

Creativity: **Solomon** or creating a fabulous Monet-inspired artwork on canvas with his sister Shiloh.

Creativity: **Alfie G** for creating a beautiful artwork outdoors inspired by Claude Monet's River Thames artwork.



Willow Class

Class News:

Willow Class have jumped back into their home learning with energy, creativity and zeal. They have recorded or written their own Newsround reports about Easter in lockdown, recreated artworks in the style of Claude Monet's River Thames artwork and been tirelessly practicing their handwriting in pursuit of a handwriting pen.

As well as this, the children joined me on Monday morning to take part in a live Science lesson on soils with the FSC where Willow Class even got a shout out from the presenter!

Thank you Willow Class for continuing to make me smile with your incredible efforts at home. You are all superstars!

Mrs Weaver

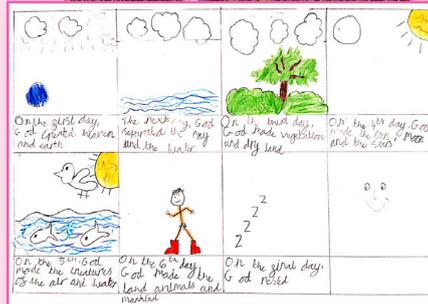
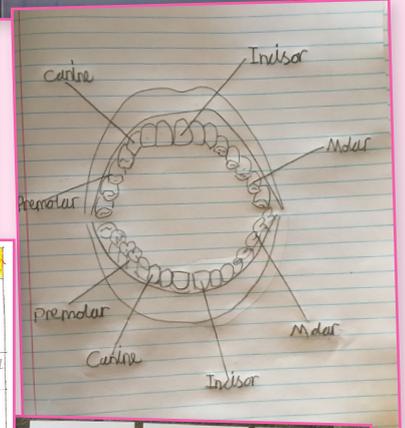
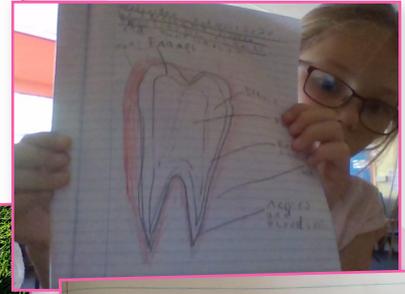
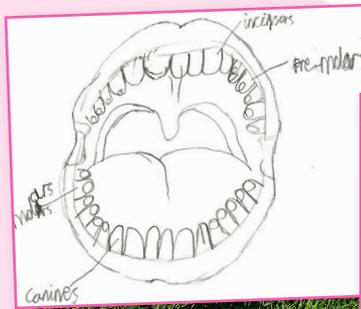
Cherry Class

Class News:

As we return to our home learning for Term 5, Cherry Class has made another impressive start! The majority of children are submitting wonderful pieces of work every single day, following my online instructions and daily expectations perfectly. This week, we have started lots of new and exciting topics in Year 4. We have begun to explore Money in Maths, Seasonal Food in DT, the Human Digestive System in Science and Logo in Computing, as well as starting our new Geography topic: Road Trip USA! Throughout the week, I've seen musical prowess, expert knowledge about the USA's top cities and read thrilling story plot-twists! I can't wait to see what the children amaze me with next week.

Thank you once again to both the children and parents of Cherry Class for approaching their home learning with such support, enthusiasm and positivity - you are an inspiration!

Miss Treasure



HT Award



I found it really hard to choose a child to give the award to this week because so many children deserved it. This week, the headteacher's award for Year 4 goes to **Ava** for making an outstanding effort with her home learning, never missing a task and approaching every single day with enthusiasm and positivity, well done **Ava!**



Christian Value Award



Creativity: Max for putting a creative spin on his DT Seasonal Food work.

Creativity: Imogen for filming a news report off her own bat to tell me all about her Easter holidays.

Compassion: Ava, Imogen, Lila-Rose, Max, Mia, Dexter, Toby, Liliana, Evie and Aaron for creating lovely videos of them playing musical instruments, dancing, reading a poem or story or doing gymnastics for the residents at Gracewell care home. These videos are sure to put a smile on the residents' faces at this tricky time.

Courage: Evie, Liliana and Logan A for learning to ride their bikes over the Easter holidays!





Maple Class

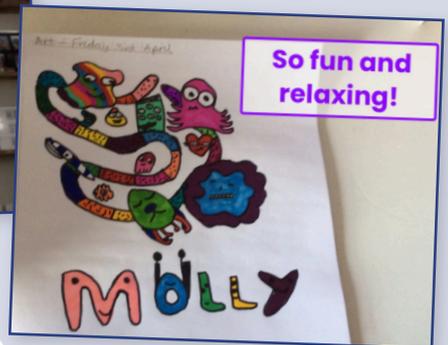
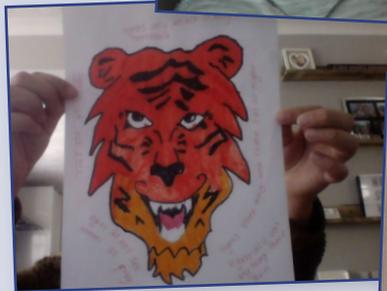
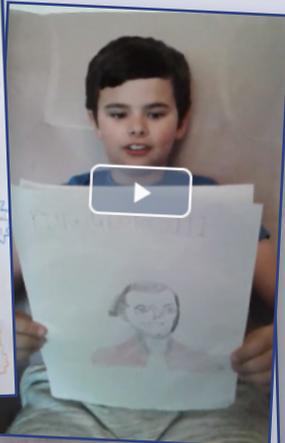
Class News:

Wow! The children have blown me away again with their enthusiasm and tenacity to learn this week.

In addition to the wonderful maths and English work this week the children have completed mammals projects in science, started to create a platform computer game, researched a monarch, explored rock formation and continued to create Jon Burgerman inspired artwork.

There has been some fantastic work uploaded this week. This has included story writing, funny mnemonics, animations, maths work, cooking, videos and presentations. Well done to everybody for their hard work and support.

Mr Pollock



HT Award



Shiloh-Pixie and **Elsie** for outstanding effort in all areas of learning.

Christian Value Award



Compassion: **Evie, Bear, Daniel B, Bear, Bella, Molly, Elsie** and **Esme** for their lovely comments on other children's pieces of work.

Creativity: **Seb** and **Esme** for their creating some very entertaining videos and animations. **Molly** for sharing the learning she has been doing on her own on the piano. **Kacie** and **Esme** for sharing their wonderful pieces of art.



Redwood Class

Class News:

What a great start to the new term - all of Redwood Class engaging in their learning from day 1! I am so proud of the way in which they have remained enthusiastic about what they have learnt and what they are about to learn. Aimee S commented "I really like the subject, especially the animals and geography part! I accidentally read the whole 45 pages of What Mr Darwin Saw in one go! I am really interested in it and I am excited to carry on with our topic!"

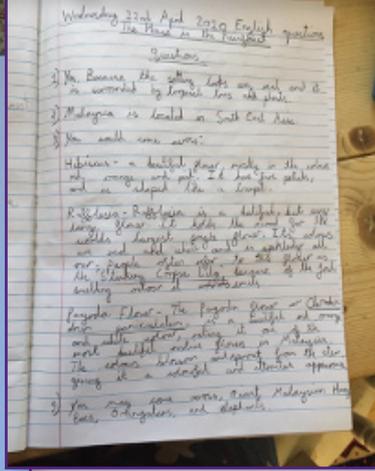
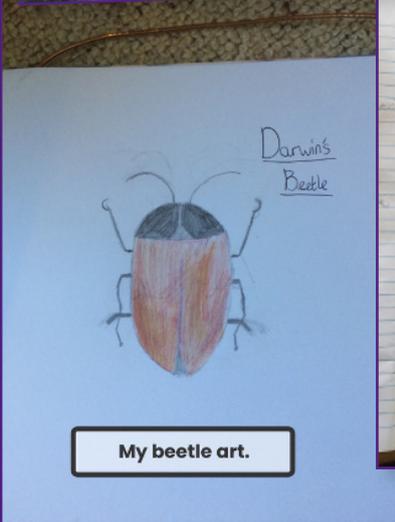
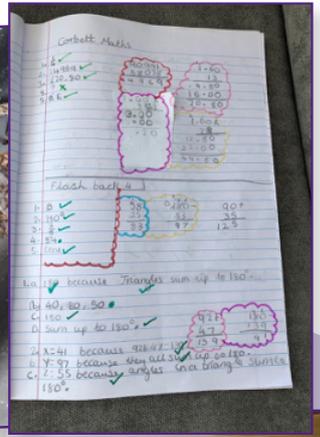
There has been some fantastic work uploaded to Seesaw and Google and the quality (for most) remains high! Thank you to parents who I know are in the background supporting your children; you are doing a great job! Keep up the good work Redwood.

Mrs Jones

HT Award



Aimee S for her infectious enthusiasm for the new topic Darwin's Delights.



Christian Value Award

Creativity: Theo

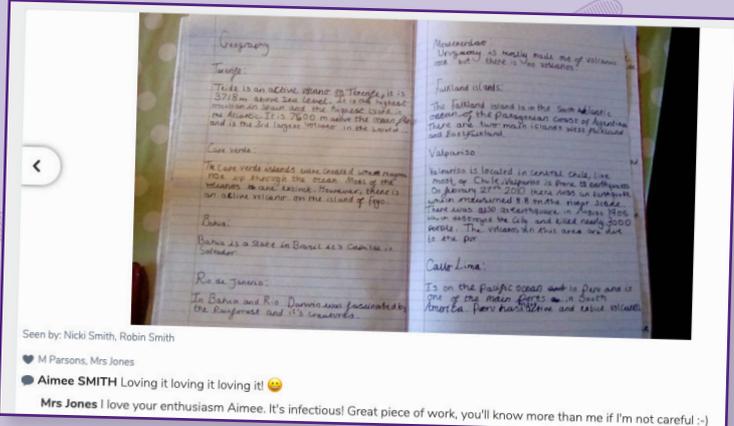
Compassion and Friendship: Ruby for helping out at home with her 2 sisters learning whilst mum and dad hold down key worker roles. Well done Ruby.

Parental nomination:
Creativity and friendship

for Aidan and Josie and their den building
This den has been work in progress for 4 weeks!
Creativity, friendship and team work! (photo)

Parental nomination:
Creativity and Compassion

We would like to nominate Amy-Jade for creativity and compassion. Amy-Jade has made beautiful posters and rainbows for the bin and recycling men which put a lovely smile on their faces. She also left snacks out for them to keep them going. We are very proud that she has done her little bit to keep our workers going.



Gracewell Care Home

As you know, we have built a valued relationship with Gracewell over the years. The children always enjoy visiting and the residents enjoy having them chatting, reading/drawing, singing, planting in the garden and creating things together - all of which uplift their spirits and make them feel like an important part of the community. Sadly, we are unable to do that in person right now but we know that Trinity children are extremely caring and thoughtful and will want to ensure that our friends at Gracewell still benefit from the connections they have made. We would like all of the children to think about the positivity their visits to Gracewell have given and create something to put a smile on the face of someone who may be feeling a little bit confused and lonely right now. This could be a drawing, poem, story, a song, playing an instrument etc uploaded to your Class teachers on Seesaw - anything to help them feel connected to the outside world! We have set up a page on our website dedicated to Gracewell where we will be sharing children's contributions to them. This week children from Cherry Class have put together a series of videos to share with the residents. Please take a look: <https://www.trinitychurchschool.com/news-and-events/hello-gracewell.htm>

We will keep everyone updated with messages from Gracewell.

Proverbs 17:17 "A true friend shows love at all times and is a brother who is born for times of distress"



Speech and Language resources

Here are some additional links related to speech and language therapy which may help some of the children:

<https://www.bathnes1bd.org.uk/pages/coronavirus-covid-19>

This link has recently been shared by my manager and we really recommend it as a resource. It contains links to other sites that may be useful to parents, including a section for parents of children with ASD and SEND.

For younger children with language difficulties:

<https://speechandlanguage.info/parents/activities>

For older or junior age children with language difficulties we have found these sites useful:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zrqqtfr>

BBC Bitesize grammar and sentence structure activities.

<https://www.dogonews.com/> or <https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround> for easy read and accessible news stories. Great for comprehension questions or discussion.

<https://www.funenglishgames.com/grammargames.html>

Interactive games at different levels for working on different language targets e.g. conjunctions.



Free School Meals

If your financial situation has changed during the pandemic and you want to find out if you are entitled to receive free school meals, please contact B&NES directly:

Email freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk
They will need you to tell them your National Insurance Number or National Asylum Seeker Support Number when you call. Please note that the Local Authority will check your eligibility to qualifying benefits on your behalf using the DFE online Free School Meal Eligibility Checking Service. Your National Insurance or National Asylum Seeker Support Number and Date of Birth must be completed clearly and accurately.