



# Trinity Church School

*Learning, Growing, Believing Together*



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Newsletter 05

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

## Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of the Autumn term, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on what has been an incredibly productive and fast-paced few months. It is always a joy to see our school community come alive again in September, and this year has been no exception.

From the very first day of Term 1, the children have focused and settled into their new school year groups with ease. Assessment week saw a lot of hard work and maturity as they tackled their tests, which paid off with some well deserved results.

We have enjoyed some non-curriculum activities as well: 3 days of workshops celebrating and teaching us about African dance, drumming and mask-making; we've had trips to Parliament, the Newt in Somerset, the Roman Baths and the Midsomer Norton Railway Station and we look forward to arranging more trips as the year progresses.

Well done to all children who have taken part in their Christmas performances – Key Stage 1 and Reception gave us two very different, but equally brilliant, Nativities; whilst Key Stage 2 performed beautifully in their Candlelight Concert this week.

As always, our sports teams have represented Trinity proudly, achieving some very impressive results in football and swimming. I look forward to hearing about continued success in the months to come.

I would also like to extend my thanks to our amazing staff team. Their dedication, hard work, and creativity ensure that our children thrive both academically and personally. From planning enriching lessons and trips to supporting extracurricular activities and performances, their commitment makes Trinity such a special place to learn.

None of these successes would be possible without the strong partnership between home and school. I would like to thank you for your continued support, whether it was attending parents' evenings, attending school events like the nativity performances and Candlelight Concert, or helping with homework and reading at home.

I hope the Christmas break provides you all with a well-deserved opportunity to rest, recharge, and enjoy quality time with family and friends. However you choose to celebrate, I wish you a very peaceful and happy Christmas and a wonderful start to the New Year. I look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Tuesday 6th January.

Mrs Parsons



## Raffle Prize winners

Congratulations to the following children who were winners of the raffle today. **Harry YR, Ayla, Cassie, Harry Y1, Jax Y2 and Oliver Y3**. Well done!

Thank you for supporting the raffle where we raised **£192.20!** The money will be used for KS1 resources.

## House Points Winners

**Sapphire** House have been House Point winners 3 weeks in a row - week ending 28th November, 5th and 12th December and today enjoyed a non-uniform day. Well done everyone!



## Attendance Winners

Congratulations to **Chestnut** Class who had the best attendance week ending 28th November, **Redwood** Class who had 100% attendance week ending 5th December, **Conker** Class who had best attendance last week and also this week. Well done!

**MOMENTS MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE COUNTS.**

## How are we doing?\*

<b>Year R:</b>	<b>95.9%</b>
<b>Year 1:</b>	<b>96.6%</b>
<b>Year 2:</b>	<b>96.3%</b>
<b>Year 3:</b>	<b>94.5%</b>
<b>Year 4:</b>	<b>96.3%</b>
<b>Year 5:</b>	<b>93.8%</b>
<b>Year 6:</b>	<b>96.4%</b>

\*Class attendance percentages for this academic year so far

## CLASS WEEKLY ATTENDANCE WINNERS

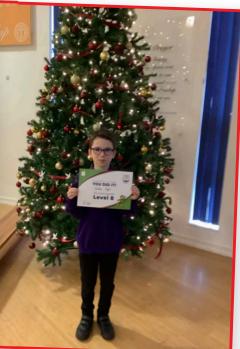


## Outside Achievements



Congratulations to all the children for their Outside Achievements:

- **Lucien & Lilith Y1, Amelia J Y3** were Stars of the Day, **Margot Y1, Rosa Y2 and Sofia Y3** who have achieved Level 5, all at gymnastics
- **Fraser Y2** was Star of the Day in tennis and gained a certificate for competing in a French-themed tennis competition.
- **Jax Y2** won a medal, **Jack Y3** was Player of the Week both in football
- **Andrew YR** passed Level 5, **Fraser Y2** received a certificate for swimming with a woggle, **Coby Y3** passed Level 2, **Penny Y3** passed Level 4, **Ava Y4, Darian Y2 and Reggie Y4** passed their stage 5, **Aneesa Y2** and **Isaac Y4** passed Level 7 and **Joshua Y5** passed Level 8, **Harry Y5** completed the Angelfish Series all of these achievements were in swimming
- **Theo Y6** competed in Frome's 'Cobble Wobble' - coming 3rd in the U16's category
- **Penny Y3** has completed an indoor skydive
- **Aneesa Y2** received Santa's Nice Award
- **Harry Y1** received a certificate for collecting all of the I-Spy books



## MP Visit

On Friday 28th November, as part of our Parliament Week celebrations, we were delighted to welcome our local MP, Anna Sabine, to the school for a Question and Answer session with our Year 5 and Year 6 children. Ms. Sabine, the Member of Parliament for Frome and East Somerset, engaged with the children as they posed a range of thoughtful questions about the responsibilities of an MP, current policy issues, and her plans for the local area, including Radstock.

In addition to her visit, we have also had the privilege of hosting the *Parliament Box*, a resource loaned from the Houses of Parliament. The box contains a collection of fascinating replica artefacts that have helped bring our learning about democracy and government to life.

# Headteacher's Award

Conker:	Wilf, Eliam, Andrew, Dylan
Chestnut:	Taylor, Willow H, Lucien, Margot
Cedar:	Toby, Aneesa, Ellie, Toby
Willow:	Jaxon, Amelia J, Millie, Yasmin
Cherry:	Delilah, Isaac, Amber, Ellis
Maple:	Brad, Anika, Lilly, Thea
Redwood:	Natan, Theo, Emma, Lillie-May



## Acorn Class



### Class News:

Over the last couple of weeks in Nursery, we've been getting very festive while continuing to build key learning skills. In our group times, the children have been enjoying the rhyme: "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star." They have been practising the rhyme with actions to help deepen their understanding, while also exploring initial sounds, clapping syllables, and joining in confidently with different parts of the rhyme.

In Maths, the children have been busy matching numerals to quantities using our special magic star wands. By counting out the correct number of beads, they have been developing their understanding of 1:1 correspondence and practising accurate counting - a skill they are becoming really confident with.

Acorns Class has also been embracing the winter season. The children have been observing changes in the weather and talking about signs of winter all around us. We've enjoyed creating beautiful snowflake artwork as well as making paper snowflakes to decorate our classroom. A real highlight was attending the school Nativity productions, which the children loved! This has inspired more learning about the Christmas story through picture books.

The children enjoyed a very festive lunch together on Wednesday as well as a very special visit from Father Christmas himself! A big thank you to everyone who joined us for our Christmas craft workshop on Thursday. It was lovely to see everyone getting creative together!

We wish all our families a wonderful Christmas holiday and look forward to welcoming the children back in the New Year, with some new additions to our class!

Miss Wood



## Out of Hours Number

The phone lines open at 8.15am and close at 4pm. The phone number for TASC is **07495 127257** (from 3.10-6pm Mon-Thurs and until 4.10pm on Fridays). You can leave a non-urgent voicemail before 8.15am and after 4pm by calling the main number **01761 438650** and pressing 1.

## Christmas Jumper Day

A huge thank you to everyone who took part in our **Christmas Jumper Day!** Whether you wore your most glittery sequins or your silliest knits, your support made a real difference.

We are delighted to announce that we raised a total of **£87.05!**



# Conker Class



## Class News:

What a busy and wonderful term for Conker Class! We have been enjoying learning about lots of different celebrations with our term's theme of *Once Upon a Celebration*. We have touched on: Diwali, Guy Fawkes, Remembrance, Christmas and Hanukkah.



In Maths, we have been exploring *shape* and, as seen in the picture, we found lots of shapes in our classroom - even on the floor! Our classroom carpet is a really large square. Some of us believed that rectangles had to be larger than squares but we soon learned that squares can be huge!



Our Phonics learning has enabled us to now write our own Christmas cards independently! It has been so lovely to see the children's joy in writing.



We have, of course, been working really hard recently on our Nativity performance. We are so proud of all the children as they have been wonderful *tryosaurus*es trying their best with new experiences!

We wish you a wonderful Christmas break and a happy New Year!

Miss Willis and Mrs Clements



# Chestnut Class



## Class News:

What a great term it's been in Chestnut Class. It has been very busy and the children have continued to work hard and have lots of fun!

Chestnut Class had a wonderful time performing their Nativity, "*Prickly Hay*" with Cedar Class. The children learned all new songs and actions and had lots of fun practising and performing them. They did an amazing job remembering their lines and speaking so clearly. The children also really enjoyed creating the props and scenery for the show, which helped bring the Nativity to life. We hope you all enjoyed watching the performance as much as we enjoyed putting it on!

We have completed our English theme based on the book: "*10 Things Found in a Wizard's Pocket*". The children had great fun innovating their own poems and came up with some imaginative ideas. We have also been developing our writing skills by practising the use of capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. Alongside this, the children

have been learning about nouns and how they are used in sentences. The children enjoyed creating a 'class book' of nouns! Next term we will be using: "*Lost and Found*" by Oliver Jeffers as our inspiration for writing.

The children have truly wowed us as historians while learning about *The Great Fire of London*. The children showed lots of enthusiasm and enjoyed using timelines to document the sequence of events. They have been practising retrieval skills by explaining how the fire started and why it spread so quickly. The children also learned how we know about events from a long time ago, including finding out about Samuel Pepys and his diary. Fantastic historical learning!

Well done Chestnut Class, you have worked so hard this term - I am so proud of you all. We wish all our families a wonderful Christmas holiday. I am looking forward to welcoming you back to Chestnut Class next term.

Mrs O'Brien

# Cedar Class

## Class News:

What an absolutely fantastic term we have had in Cedar Class. This term has been packed full of so many things yet the children's hard work and effort has not wavered at all - I am so proud of them all!

A big focus over the past few weeks has been preparing for the Nativity. Thank you to everyone who came, I am sure you will agree that the children did brilliantly and should all be so proud of themselves. Not only did they learn songs, actions and their lines but they helped paint and make all aspects of the staging, which looked absolutely brilliant.

In English, we have loved exploring the story: "Coming Home" by Michael Morpurgo and have now retold the story

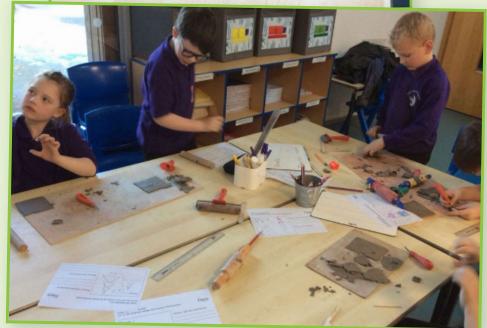


in our own words. In Maths, we have come to the end of our work on *addition and subtraction*. We have also explored 2D and 3D shapes and their properties whilst still using Doodle Maths to support our in-class learning.

We have particularly enjoyed our work in Art this term involving clay work. We have explored different techniques to 'mark-make' in clay, designed and painted pinch pots and created Christmas-themed decorations using our impressing and joining skills.

I wish you all a fantastic Christmas break and hope you can rest and enjoy quality family time. See you all in the New Year!

Mr Cozens



# Willow Class

## Class News:

It has been another busy but fantastic term in Willow Class! The children have all worked incredibly hard and should all be pleased with the progress they have made.

In Maths, we started our new topic on *multiplication and division*. The children spent last week working with Miss Parmenter on their 2s, 5s, and 10 times tables. This week, the children have been looking at their 3s and 4s times tables. Next term, we will recap our multiplication facts and look at multiplying and dividing slightly bigger numbers.

In English, the children spent the last two weeks learning about explanation texts. We looked at a variety of examples to help us write our own version based on the water cycle. I was so impressed with all the children's writing - they all explained the process beautifully. This week, we



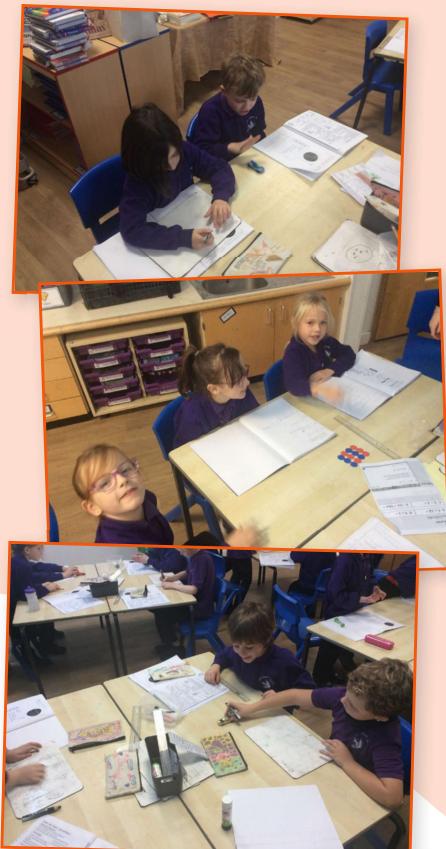
have been writing instructions on how the Grinch stole Christmas!

In Science, we spent the last two weeks investigating *forces*. The children conducted experiments to observe which car travels the furthest on certain materials. The children had to work in small groups and I was so impressed with their team work! They all worked incredibly hard and displayed solid findings for our investigation.

Willow Class have worked very hard this term and I am so proud of all the progress they have made.

I hope you all have a well-deserved rest and I wish you all a wonderful Christmas! I look forward to welcoming Willow Class back in the New Year!

Miss Jones



# Cherry Class



## Class News:

In English, we have now completed our non-chronological reports about Pompeii and the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. The children really enjoyed revisiting this topic from last year and applying all of their prior knowledge when writing their reports.

In PSHE, linked to Picture News, we have been writing 'wishes of kindness' to help make the world a better place. These were then taken down to the church to be displayed, which the children were very proud of.

As part of our Christmas celebrations, we also took part in the Candlelight Concert. This involved lots of singing, poems and instrumental performances. The children all did a fantastic job and it was a truly lovely service.

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas, and I look forward to welcoming you back in the New Year.

Miss Walker



# Maple Class



## Class News:

It's been a busy end to the term in Maple Class! In English, we have designed our own Christmas gift and written persuasive adverts for them. We have also come to the end of our class book: *"Cosmic!"*

In Science, we have been looking at *forces*, including investigating air resistance through making our own parachutes. We also looked at how different types of levers, gears and pulleys can be used to generate greater force.

We have been practicing lots of multiplication work in class, including multiplying 3-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers. I have been really impressed with the children's determined attitude towards this challenging concept!

In History, we have come to the end of our topic on the *Ancient Egyptians*. I have been blown away by the children's knowledge on the topic and the enthusiasm with their learning.

Finally, the children have worked really hard with their practising and performing in both the church service (which ended up being in school!) and the Candlelight Concert. They represented the school and Year 5 excellently and should be really proud of their efforts.

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and a well deserved break.

Mr Hancock

## Class News:

# Redwood Class



In Year 6, we have come to the end of several of our topics over the last couple of weeks. In Science, we concluded our unit on *light* by exploring how we see colour through Isaac Newton's *theory of colour*. As part of our learning, we also investigated how rainbows are formed through the process of refraction and the separation of light into the seven colours of the spectrum.

In History, our topic on *World War Two* has also drawn to a close. Since our visit to the local museum at Midsomer Norton Train Station, the children have been learning about key events from the Second World War including the Battle of Dunkirk, the Battle of Britain and the Blitz. We have also explored the different types of air-raid shelters used across the country to keep people safe during bombing raids.

Last week, we enjoyed some Christmas festivities with a trip to the The Old Paintworks Art Studio in Radstock, where the pupils made festive wreaths alongside Sir Ed Davey, leader of the Liberal Democrats. Did anyone spot us on ITV West Country or BBC Points West?

Year 6 have worked incredibly hard in the lead-up to Christmas and they now thoroughly deserve a well-earned break. We wish all our families a wonderful Christmas and a restful holiday.

Miss Phillips



## Thought of the week



Our thought this week, discussed in class, really linked with kindness shown by our Trinity pupils. We took time to reflect and think about what we currently do and what other ways we can show kindness. We also remembered the power of a smile.

### What does kindness look like?

This winter, a charity called Small Acts of Kindness has sourced, packed and distributed over 10,000 'Warm in Winter' gift bags across Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire. Each bag includes things to keep people warm, like blankets, socks and hot drinks. The project aims to bring comfort to elderly and vulnerable people in the colder months. It shows that small acts of kindness can make a big difference in someone's life.

Our pupils at Trinity, for the past few years have been demonstrating small acts of kindness through their support of Lizzie's Soup Run who provide food and resources to the homeless people

on the streets of Bath. Classes support packing tea bags, coffee sachets, sugar and other bits into packs to be added to the hot meals and dried foods handed out weekly. As Mrs Jones shared during our Christmas Service, Trinity pupils have currently put together 2,500 hot drinks packs so far this year and our harvest donations further supported the charity's work. These small acts of kindness are hugely appreciated and make a big difference on a cold day to an unknown person.

### Things to talk about at home:

- Can you think of a time someone was kind to you?
- How did it make you feel?
- Do you believe helping others can make us feel happier too?
- Why?
- What are some small acts of kindness we can do at home, at school, or in our community?



What does kindness look like?

**British Values**

**Democracy**

The Warm in Winter project shows what can happen when people in a community choose to work together to help others. When we listen to one another and make decisions together, everyone's voice can be heard, and we can all make a difference.

**Protected Characteristics**

Everyone, whatever their age, should feel safe, valued, and part of their community. No one should ever be excluded or treated unfairly because of how old they are.

Sex	Gender Orientation	Age
Disability	Gender Reassignment	Marriage and Civil Partnership
Pregnancy and Maternity	Race	Religion or Belief

## Christian Values Awards



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

**Friendship:** **Miss Walker, Miss Parmenter**  
**Respect:** **Daisy Y4, Melissa Y4**  
**Courage:** **Annabelle Y6, January Y6, Jessica Y6, Lillie-May Y6, Y5 & Y6 swimming team**  
**Compassion:** **Lilly Y1, Daisy Y4, Melissa Y4**  
**Trust:** **Miss Walker, Miss Parmenter**

## Year 6 meet the Liberal Democrat Leader

On Friday 12th December, our Year 6 class visited The Old Printworks Arts Studio in Radstock to make wreaths with Sir Ed Davey, leader of the Liberal Democrat Party. Not only was it enjoyable to make wreaths, it was exciting to be surrounded by television cameras and journalists! Our local MP, Anna Sabine (who visited Trinity a couple of weeks ago as part of UK Parliament Week) was also present. Did you spot the children on BBC Points West and ITV West Country? The children have taken their creations home and lots have proudly displayed them in their homes too.



## Hot Chocolate with Mrs Parsons

The following children enjoyed hot chocolate and cake with Mrs Parsons on Friday 28th November:

**Acorn:**  
**Conker:**  
**Chestnut:**  
**Cedar:**  
**Willow:**  
**Cherry:**  
**Maple:**  
**Redwood:**

**Becky**  
**Thea**  
**Genevieve**  
**Rosa**  
**Sofia**  
**Esme**  
**Olivia**  
**Bella**



## 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 3

Monday 5th January	Start of Term 3 - INSET Day - school closed to children	Whole School
Tuesday 6th January	TERM 3	Whole School
Throughout Term 3	Swimming lessons: Year 2, 5 & 6 - Wednesdays and Fridays Year 3 & 4 - Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays (Contributions payable via Arbor Parent Portal)	Year 2 - Year 6
Friday 13th February	End of Term 3	Whole School

# Making a Splash at the Large Schools Swimming Gala!



On Thursday 4th December, a group of our talented Key Stage 2 pupils headed to the pool to dive into the annual Large Schools Swimming Gala.

It was a packed and energetic event, featuring roughly 100 children from 10 different local schools. The atmosphere was electric, with plenty of cheering and high-speed action across a wide range of individual races and team relays.

The competition was incredibly tough this year, with some very fast swimmers in the water. However, our pupils rose to the challenge brilliantly. What stood out most—even more than their speed—was their fantastic sportsmanship. Our swimmers represented the school with pride, cheering loudly for their teammates and giving their absolute all in every heat to earn valuable points for the school.

While everyone performed exceptionally well, we have some special podium finishes to celebrate:

- **Silver Success:** A massive well done to Neave, who swam a superb race to finish second overall in the Girls' 25m. She was awarded a well-deserved silver medal for her efforts!
- **Relay Bronze:** Our Girls' Relay Team showed incredible coordination and speed, clinching third place in a nail-biting finish to take home the bronze medals.

A huge well done to every swimmer who took part. You made the school very proud, both in and out of the water!



## TT ROCKSTARS



Well done to the following children for achieving these results:-

**Elis Y6 - 1st Most Valuable Player in the school**

**Bella Y5 - 2nd Most Valuable Player in the school**

**Grace Y5 - 3rd Most Valuable Player in the school**



## Arbor / School Grid

Thank you to all parents for embracing the change from ParentPay to **Arbor** and **SchoolGrid**. A reminder that school meals are chosen and paid for via SchoolGrid, whereas everything else is on Arbor (wraparound care, clubs, trips etc). You will need to have a balance on account in order to book some clubs and wraparound care.

The deadline for booking school lunches is still Thursday at 10pm for the following week. If you have not booked in advance, you will need to provide a packed lunch for your child - there are no exceptions to this as we do not have food in school anymore. This new system has been tried and tested in other schools within the Trust, and is much more reliable and user-friendly - meals will not be cancelled, so if a booking is not there, it is because it hasn't been made. Please remember to make your bookings for the first week back before the deadline of January 1st.

**Arbor** will be how we communicate with parents going forward - it is therefore essential that you have notifications set up on either the Parent Portal or (preferably) the app so you don't miss out on information about club cancellations, trips, events, important announcements, etc.

It's been a very busy time getting the new systems set up and learning how they work, so **thank you** for bearing with us whilst we ironed out the initial quirks!

Have a very lovely Christmas break and we look forward to being here to help you again from January.

Mrs Crowdy and Mrs Rundle