

# School News

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### The Prayer

This weekend is the second Sunday of Lent. Lent offers us an extraordinary opportunity; a time to step into stillness and prayer. Into something different from our usual routines. Into service of others in fresh ways.

Loving God,

Help us to work together to share what we have so that everyone has what they need.

Help us to build a better world where each of us can become the best person we can be.

Amen

# Well Done

to the following pupils who received Learner of the Week awards:

Reception - Zack Year 1 - Christian

Year 2 - Austin Year 3 - Annabelle

Year 4 – Sonny Year 5 – Sidney

Year 6 - Oscar

Headteacher's Award

Year 6

Attendance Award

Reception - 95.9%

HT Active Award

Lila

# Message from the Headteacher

The last two weeks have been busy both academically and holistically, as the children have been working hard both on their Spring Assessments as well as growing their creative, sporting and musical talents in other activities. The weather might not be quite as sunny as it was, but the children have continued to have a spring in their step and make us proud with their efforts.

It was wonderful to welcome so many parents and carers into school this week for parents evening. We hope you enjoyed viewing your child's work and hearing how they have progressed since the last parents' evening. Thank you for your patience when waiting for appointments and for your ongoing support.

Last Saturday, the Key Stage Two choir were delighted to have the opportunity to perform at the Chipping Norton Music Festival. They sang songs from musicals and performed beautifully. The adjudicator was impressed with their professionalism (commenting how they held themselves) the energy and enthusiasm of our solo performers and how well the choir sang together as a group, including attempting some tricky harmonies. Well done, everyone!

On Tuesday, we continued to celebrate musical talent in the school, as Year 5 participated in a singing performance for Chipping Norton Music Festival's 'River Deep, Mountain High.' They worked hard to practice their songs and deliver a wonderful concert!

Year 1 enjoyed visiting Chipping Norton School on Wednesday afternoon for the annual dance festival. The sports leaders from Top School led the children in 3 dance activities based on the book, 'Commotion in the Ocean'. The children learned set moves and then added in their own group ideas. It was a super afternoon and the children all thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

We ended our week with our termly SEN coffee afternoon, where Mrs Wickens and I enjoyed chatting with families, finding out what's working well and gathering ideas for further ways we can offer support.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

#### Catholic Life

As it is the season of Lent we have all been working hard to carry out our Lenten promises. We have been reflecting on what small things we can do during the period of Lent.

Mrs McGeehan - to give more time to helping my mum.

Mrs Wickens - to spend more time in prayer and to buy some Easter treats

for our local Children's Centre so the children will have an Easter Egg on Easter Sunday.

Miss Hickman - to keep going to my running group and eat less crisps.

Mrs Hickman - spend more time outside and eat less chocolate.

Mrs Rickard - to donate food to the food bank whenever I go to the supermarket and to give up Block Blast.

Mrs Catling - to spend less time on technology and spend more time with my dog.

Reception: Nova- to try and not drink to many hot chocolates.

Reception: Bobby - help my mummy.

Rowan F Y1 - to remember to feed the birds.

Riley Y2 - learn a new skill and teach someone else.

Freya Y2 - help dad make a meal.

Morgan Y2 - invite someone new to play.

Nelli Y3 - I will give some toys to charity for children in Ukraine.

Jessica Y3 - I will sort out my clothes and give them to people who need them.

Danny Yr5 - I'm going to give up sweets.

Ivy Y5 - To be kinder to my older sister.

Olivia Y5 - I will spend more time outside.

Elsie Y5 - I'm going to read more books instead of being on a screen.

Alfie Y6 - My lent promise is giving up chocolate and squash to respect people who can't afford to eat them.

Grace Y6 - I promise to give up KitKats and help my parents out around the house.

Rebecca Y6 - In the sprit of lent I hope to strengthen my relationship with God and spread positivity within school.

#### **CAFOD Big Lent Walk 2025**

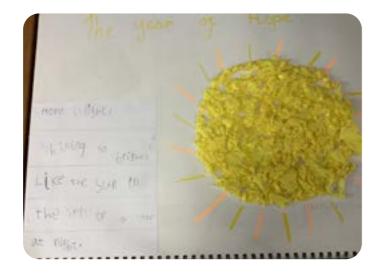
Thank-you to all those who have made donations so far. Please continue to support us in our Big Lent Walk. You can make your donation through our school donation page using the following link:

https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/holy-trinity-big-lent-walk-2025



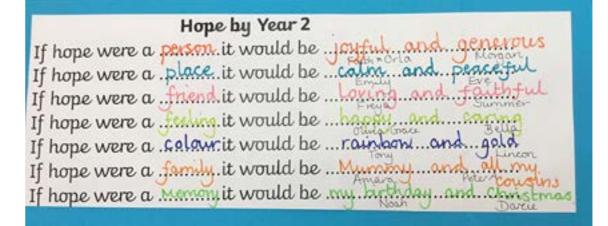
Well done to Year 5 who are currently leading with 8.89 KMs.

Throughout March, each class is working on creating a 'hope' themed poem as we continue to journey through the Pope's Year of Hope. Reception shared their poem with us this week.

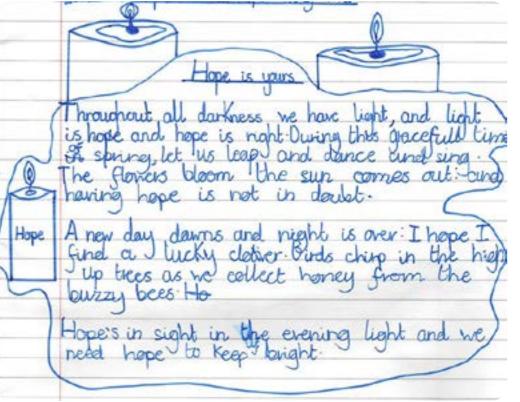




## Poems of Hope



Oscar Year 6



Year



#### **Attendance Matters**

Our attendance for the week is: 92%. Please support the school in aiming to achieve at least 96% attendance. A reminder: Your child must be in school by 8.45am each morning - the gates open at 8.35am. Children who arrive after 9.00am will be marked as unauthorised absence.

#### Amazon Wish List

Ahuge thank you for the response we have received already and the wonderful items that have been purchased to help support the children's learning and development in school. We are extremely grateful for your generosity and support.

https://amzn.eu/3nPmEcA

## Travelling Book Fair

The Scholastic Travelling Book Fair arrives at Holy Trinity on 20<sup>th</sup> March and there's something for everyone. With over 200 books on sale including latest releases, classic stories, picture books, non-fiction, novels, sticker books, book sets and colouring books! Children can even use their £1 World Book Day vouchers (handed out this Friday) and credit cards are accepted via a QR system on your mobile phone!

The £1 vouchers can also be used at any participating book shops.

To prevent the 'rush' we have allocated different classes on different days. Class days are as follows:

Thursday 20th March, 3.15 - 3.45pm - Reception and Year 1 Class

Friday 21st March - 3.15 - 3.45pm - Year 2 and 3

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March 3.15 - 3.45pm - Year 4 and 5

Tuesday 25th March 3.15 - 3.45pm - Year 6 and anyone else

#### PTA News

Next PTA meeting is on Tuesady 18th March at 7pm in the school hall. We hope to see you there.

Please let us know if you are planning on volunteering this year and would be happy to add your name to a contact list. Please email:

cnholytrinitypta@gmail.com

# KS2 Choir





Yr I Dance Festival

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates for Spring Term	
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 St Patrick's Day Assembly - 9am for year 2 Parents
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Meeting - 7pm in the School Hall
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Golf Day
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> - Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Travelling Book Fair
Friday 21st March	Red Nose Day
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 Bikeability
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception Mother's Day Assembly - 9am for Reception Parents
	Easter Bingo - 5.30pm
Monday 31st March	Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Year 5 Bikeability
	Yr 3 & 4 Easter Production
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 6 Residential Parents Meeting (NEW)
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Whole School End of Term Mass
	Easter Egg Raffle
	Easter Craft Afternoon for Parents - 2.30pm
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	School Closes at 12.05pm for Easter
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	INSET
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Back to School
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Reception Vision Testing
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 1 Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	May Procession
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	INSET
Half Term	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May



# THE PTA NEEDS YOUR HELP

We need volunteers to work alongside some PTA members for our Chastleon Tea events

Plus we need lots of your delicious bakes, cakes and treats

**SATURDAY 29th MARCH 12.30-5.30** 

THURSDAY 15TH MAY 12.30-5.30

Stints of 12.30 -3 or 3-5.30 BUT any hours are really helpful as it's a busy event

Chastleton church GL56 0SU

Last year these two events raised over £1200 which help pay towards the whole school trip to the panto –

Its vital funds for the PTA

Please email the pta on

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with any hours you can help or bakes you can provide