



School News

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The Prayer

With all the current news on conflict in the world, we pray for peace.

God of peace, bearer of hope,
we seek your help for the peoples of the Middle East.

Quiet the clamour of war and guide us towards peace.

Where there is hatred and division sow seeds of calm and openness.

Where there is destruction help us to rebuild.

Where children are crying bring an end to tears.

Shelter your peoples and protect them

Guide them and keep them from harm.

Show us how to break down the barriers of history and fear and breathe whispers of hope.

Amen.

'Well Done'

to the following pupils who received special awards:

Reception - Harry, Summer, Albie

Year 1 – Nola, Rupert, Taliha

Year 2 – Henry, Freya, Savannah

Year 3 – Alice, Bam, Remi

Year 4 – Hannah, Sonny, Aimie

Year 5 – Jamie, Clemmie, Charlie

Year 6 - Alfie, Karina, Skylar



Message from the Headteacher

Walking around this week, there was such a wide range of learning happening. Year 2 were writing their own stories located in London and using all the famous landmarks, many of Year 5 greeted me at the gate with some fabulous Space projects, Year 3 and 4 have been enjoying challenging themselves with rounding in maths, EYFS have amazed me with their artwork, and Year 1 and 6 have wowed me with their written work.

Also in school this week...

Year 6 led us in our assembly on Monday, with a focus on their class saint, St. Teresa. They taught us all about this inspirational figure and lifted our spirits at the end by singing one of their songs they will perform at the PFMAC concert.

Thank-you for all the donations for our playtime resources. We are still collecting: toy wheeled vehicles, loose parts, pots, pans, spoons and kitchen tools (no knives or sharp tools), dress up items, comics and magazines.

Our first SEN parent coffee afternoon of the year was a great success. Parents who attended met with members of our pupil and family support team, shared some feedback and suggestions and engaged in really helpful discussion with staff and support team members. We would love to see more of you at our next coffee session. Keep an eye on the newsletter for details.

Year 2 visited the Fire Station where they got to spray the fire hose!

This week, we had school photographs and children looked extremely smart and were sporting their biggest smiles.

In assembly this week, we discussed looking after our mental health. One of the things that can help is finding an activity we enjoy and makes us feel calmer. The staff all shared their favourite books, as reading can be one of these activities that makes us feel better. If you or a family member have a favourite book, perhaps you could share these together this weekend.

Staying safe online is something that can be hard to navigate the online world can be a frightening place. Please see the school website for information on safety online.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Pope Francis' Five Finger Prayer

The next finger is the index. Pray for those who teach you, instruct you, and heal you. They need the support and wisdom to show direction to others. Always keep them in your prayers.

The center finger is the tallest. It reminds us of our leaders, the governors, and those who have authority. They need God's guidance.

The fourth finger is the ring finger. Even though it may surprise you, it is our weakest finger. It should remind us to pray for the weakest, the sick, or those plagued by problems. They need your prayers.

The thumb is the closest finger to you, so start praying for those who are closest to you. They are the persons easiest to remember. To pray for our dear ones is a "Sweet Obligation."



And finally we have our smallest finger, the pinkie. Your pinkie should remind you to pray for yourself. When you are done praying for the other four groups, you will be able to see your own needs in the proper perspective and be able to pray for yourself in a better way.



The season of coughs and colds is upon us. It's fine to send your child to school with a minor cough or common cold. But if they have a fever, keep them off school until the fever goes. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues and to wash their hands regularly.

Harvest

As we approach the Harvest Festival, we invite you to join us in celebrating this special time of year by giving to those in need. We are kindly requesting donations of non-perishable food items such as canned goods, rice, pasta, and other dry goods, which will be shared with local food banks and community organisations.



Your generosity will make a real difference to families in our community, and we are grateful for anything you are able to contribute. Thank you for helping us share the Harvest blessings with others. Please could all donations be in school by Monday 21st October.

Attendance

We have now finished our sixth week back at school this term. Well done to all those who have ensured that their children are in school on time every day – your child will reap the rewards of this. We understand that some children have had to be absent from school due to them being really poorly. That is absolutely understandable and hopefully, occasional. However, if this is not the case, then every child should be in school receiving the education they are entitled to.

PTA News

Thank you to everyone who baked a cake or volunteered at Chastleton House on Saturday. We managed to raise just under £400 for the school which is brilliant news. Attached are a few photos of the day including some of the children who did a great job washing up and helping out. This was the last Chastleton of the year and all together the three afternoons have raised around £1500 for the school in 2024 (almost covering the cost of the school pantomime trip!). Please look out for the dates and volunteer next year if you can so that we can fund the pantomime trip next year.

Reminders

Secondary School Applications From 1st September, secondary school admissions for 2025 will be opening. If you are a parent or carer with a child reaching age 11 between 1 September 2024 and 31 August 2025, they will be due to start secondary school in September 2025 and you have until 31 October 2024 to apply for their school place. If you miss the deadline, you will reduce the chances of getting one of your preferred schools for your child.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates for Michaelmas Term	
Friday 11 th October	PTA Welcome Disco
Tuesday 15 th October	Parent Consultation Meetings
Wednesday 16 th October	PCSO Visit to Discuss Keeping Safe with Children (NEW)
	Parent Consultation Meetings
Thursday 17 th October	Whole School Flu Immunisations
Wednesday 23 rd October	U9 & U11 Cross Country
Thursday 24 th October	Year 6 PFMAC Concert
Friday 25 th October	MAC INSET
Half Term	Monday 28 th October - Friday 1 st November
Monday 11 th - Friday 15 th November	Anti Bullying Week
Tuesday 12 th November	Odd Sock Day
Wednesday 13 th November	Year 3 Dance Workshop
Wednesday 20 th November	U11 Netball Festival
Wednesday 27 th November	Year 5/6 Indoor Athletics
Friday 29 th November	Year 5 St Andrew's Class Assembly
Thursday 5 th December	Reception Nativity Performance
Friday 6 th December	Parent Christmas Crafts Afternoon 2:00pm (NEW)
Wednesday 11 th December	KS1 Nativity Performance
thursday 12 th December	Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 13 th December	Whole School Panto Trip
Tuesday 17 th December	KS2 Carol Concert
Thursday 19 th December	School Closes at 12.05pm for Christmas

Year 2 Fire Station Visit



Welcome

Disco

6–8pm
friday
October 11th 2024

DJ Tony, Tuck Shop, Hair Spray, Bar, food and more

**£3 per child – all welcome
(must be accompanied by an adult)**

Location: Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School

Email: cnholytrinitypta@gmail.com Charity Number 1145091



STORYTIME AND CRAFT

at Chipping Norton Library
Saturday 5th October at 11am

For ages 4+
There's no need to book.
Children must be accompanied
by an adult.

The

Library

Chipping Norton