School News

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Message from the Headteacher

A huge thank you to everyone who supported the PTA Teas at Chastleton House on Sunday. We are delighted to share that an incredible £580 was raised for the school. This fantastic total would not have been possible without the generosity of our talented bakers, the volunteers who gave up their time to help on the day, and everyone who came along to enjoy the refreshments. Your support makes a real difference and helps the PTA continue to provide valuable opportunities and resources for our children.

On Tuesday, Year 6 took part in the annual PFMAC Concert at Oxford Town Hall. This year's theme was ABBA: Thank You for the Music, and the children gave a fantastic performance, joining pupils from across the Trust to sing a selection of well-loved ABBA songs.The concert was a wonderful celebration of music, teamwork and confidence, and the children represented our school brilliantly. Thank you to all the families who came along to support the event and help make it such a memorable occasion. We would also like to extend our sincere thanks to Mrs Catling and Mrs Rickard for accompanying the children and supporting them throughout the day and evening.

Yesterday, our Under-9 and Under-11 teams took part in the Partnership Cross Country Tournament, and we could not be prouder of their efforts. The children were truly outstanding, demonstrating phenomenal persistence, resilience and determination throughout the event. As well as giving their best in every race, the children showed great sportsmanship, encouraging and supporting their teammates from start to finish. They were also complimented on their impeccable behaviour and positive attitude, making them excellent ambassadors for our school. Well done to all of the children who took part. You should be incredibly proud of your achievements and the way you represented our school. Thank you to Miss Willis and Mrs Packham who went to cheer the runners on.

Week beginning 2nd November:

On Tuesday, the whole school will attend our All Saints' Mass, as we come together in prayer to celebrate the feast of All Saints and reflect on the inspiring examples they set for us.

A reminder that we are still looking for volunteers to help at the PTA Christmas Fair on Saturday 21st November. If you are able to spare some time to support this popular event, please sign up with the PTA. Your help is always greatly appreciated and plays a vital role in making these events such a success.

Following the huge success of last year's event, we will once again be holding our 'Buy a Gift for a Loved One' shop. This gives the children the opportunity to choose a special gift for a family member or loved one, which will be beautifully wrapped and ready to place under the Christmas tree. Gifts will be available to purchase for between £1 and £5.To make this event possible, we would be very grateful for donations of unwanted, unopened and pre-loved gifts. If you have any suitable items that are in good condition, please send them into school. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

We hope everyone enjoys a wonderful half-term break.
We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 2nd November.

'Well Done'

to the following pupils who received awardss this week:

Special Awards

Reception - Iris

Year 1 – Noah Year 2 – Summer

Year 3 – Whole Class Year 4 – Amara

Year 5 – Nelli Year 6 - Sonny

Winifred's - Hamish

Handwriting Awards

Reception - Violet

Year 1 – Florence Year 2 – Azizah

Year 3 – Thliha Year 4 – Bea

Year 5 – Thomas Year 6 - Jake

Winifred's - Harry

Attendance Award

Reception & Year 1 - 97.3%

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The Prayer

Our God is the God of all,
The God of heaven and earth,
of the seas and the rivers;
The God of the sun and of the moon
and of all the stars;
The God of the lofty mountains
and of the lowly valleys,
He has His dwelling around heaven and earth,
and sea, and all that in them is.

Amen

This Week in Pictures

Year 6 ABBA Concert



Under 9 & 11 Cross Country Teams



Handwriting Heroes



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates for Autumn Term	
Friday 23rd October	**INSET DAY**
Half Term	Monday 26th - Friday 30th October
Monday 2nd November	Return to School
Tuesday 3rd November	All Saint's Mass
Wednesday 4th November	CAMHS Mental Health Support Team parent workshop Introducing 'Understanding and Supporting Your Anxious Child
Wednesday 11th November	Remembrance Assembly
Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th November	Christmas Art Workshops
Wednesday 18th November	U11s Netball Tournament
Saturday 21st November	PTA Christmas Fair - 11 - 1.30pm
Monday 30th November	Year 5 Class Assembly to Parents - 9am
Tuesday1st December	Christmas Coffee Morning
Wednesday 2nd December	Year 3 & 4 Ball Skills Tournament
Thursday 3rd December	Rocksteady Christmas Concert 2.30pm
Friday 4th December	Reception Nativity Performance - 2pm
Monday 7th December	Year 3 Christingle Assmebly to Parents 9am
Tuesday 8th December	Whole School Panto Trip
Thursday 10th December	KS1 Nativity Performance
Friday 11th December	Reception Visit to Watson Place
Tuesday 15th December	Christmas Jumper & Christmas Lunch Day
Wednesday 16th December	KS2 Carol Concert
Thursday 17th December	Whole School Mass
Thursday 17th December	School Closes at 12.05pm for Christmas
Friday 18th December	**INSET DAY**

HOLY TRINITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS FAIR

SATURDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

11AM - 1.30PM - FREE ENTRY

FOOD AND DRINKS

COOKIE DECORATING

CRAFTS

GAMES

GIFT STALLS

TOMBOLA

SPOOKY STORYTIME & CRAFT



At Chipping Norton Library

Saturday 31st October at 11am

For ages 4+

Booking recommended.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

The Library Chipping Norton

FAMILY FUN & HOBBY DAY

CHIPPING NORTON LEISURE CENTRE

30 OCTOBER 2026 • 11:00 - 15:00



INFLATABLE POOL CHALLENGE

Subject to age and swimming ability

- ★ **Family Activities**
- ★ **Tennis • Football • Pickleball**
- ★ **Local Clubs & Hobbies**
- ★ **Craft Stalls**

PIZZA VAN ON SITE!

Delicious pizzas available to buy throughout the day.

Swimming activities must be booked in advance

DISCOVER THE POSSIBILITIES OF LEARNING TO SWIM

All details will be available in the centre on the day.
Meet our very own swim teacher, Jess,
who will be on hand to answer your questions.

family day!

GLL
better for everyone

The **Library**

Chipping Norton



Fun with Racing Robots

Mon 26th Oct to Sat 31st Oct

Come along and experiment with racing robots!

This activity is suitable for children aged 5 +

Booking is essential. Book at the counter, email chippingnorton.library@oxfordshire.gov.uk or telephone 01865 815134

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/libraries

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Holy Trinity Catholic School

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Cleaner

Commencing immediately, we are looking to appoint a hard-working, enthusiastic and dedicated cleaner to join our after-school cleaning team.

The successful candidate will need to have a flexible and positive approach, as well as being a keen team player. They will work under the guidance of the School Business Manager and senior cleaners.

Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School is a welcoming and vibrant school with a caring and supporting ethos. Our cleaners are an integral part of our team and are highly valued.

Visits to our school are warmly welcomed. If you would like to visit, please telephone, or email the school office on 01608 643487 or office.3420@holy-trinity.oxon.sch.uk.

Contract Type: Permenent

Working Hours: 10 hours per week

Salary Range: Grade 5 Scale Point 12 (£14.82 per hour)

Additional Application Instructions

Please call the school office on 01608 643487 for further information.

Safer Recruitment

The Pope Francis Catholic MAC is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post involves the type of work with children and young people that requires applicants to undertake a Disclosure and Barring Service check. The possession of a criminal record will not necessarily prevent an applicant from obtaining this post. All users are considered confidentially and according to the nature of the role and information disclosed.