



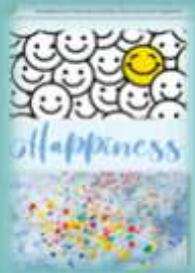
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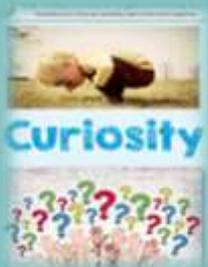
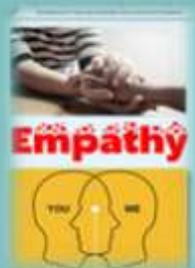
Dear Parents, Carers,

Welcome back to a new year! We hope you had a restful Holiday. The children were so excited to be back at school and they have had a fantastic start to the year.



In collective worship, we focused on our school values and how we can live our values in our school day. Children shared their thoughts on what they are grateful for in this new year and what has been the highlight of first week of the new year—'being with my friends', 'writing a story based on Macbeth' and 'writing a diary entry based on their class book'.

Next week we will be introducing a new weekly award—Best Improved Hand writer of the Week. Children will be awarded with a certificate and a pen (KS2) or pencil (KS1). We looking forward to seeing some amazing progress in their hand writing next week!



Have a lovely weekend!

Ms Saddington

Holy Trinity Values Ambassador



Our Pupil Values Ambassadors this week are Navaeh Molyneaux & Amayah-Rose Smith. You both are helpful and considerate towards your classmates. Well done.



Holy Trinity Staff Values Ambassador



Our Staff Values Ambassador this week is Ms. Natasha Maddox.

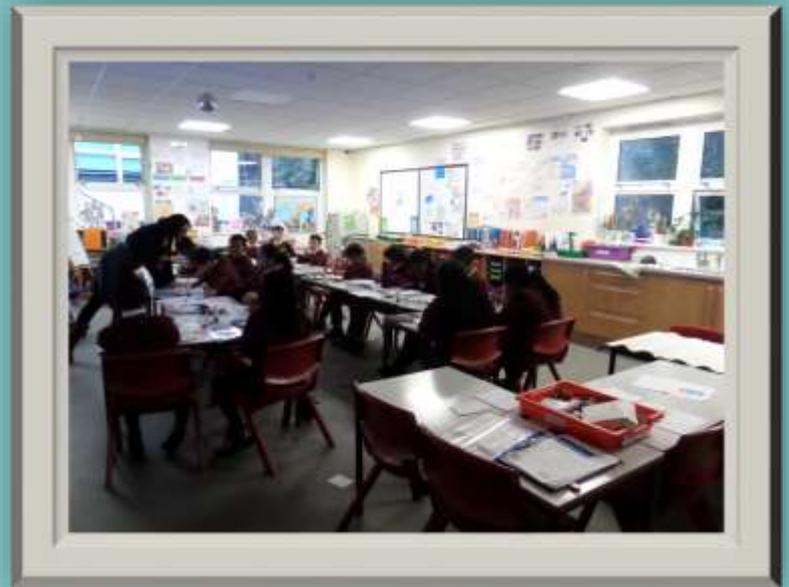
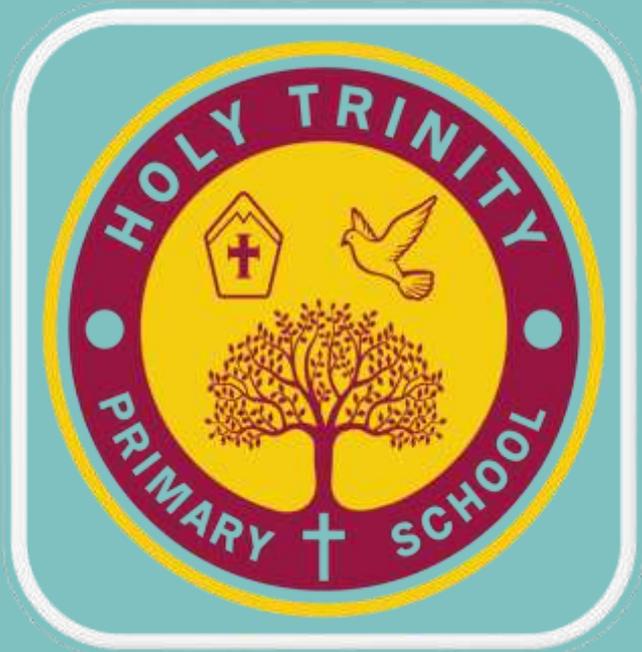
You provide your pupils enriching and creative learning opportunities and opportunities to express themselves. Thank you.



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COURT IN LEARNING

CHEETAH CLASS



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Prayer and time of reflection



What does the Bible say about Spring?

This season is a time of warming weather and nature coming back to life.

As flowers bloom and animals are born, we are reminded of the innocence and beauty that exists in this world and that there is new life all around us.

As Christians, we are given new life and new mercies every morning.

Spring provides a wonderful reminder to us that we should be living a full life and leaving the old dead parts of life behind.

There is always hope during the coldest, darkest winters of life.

Spring will come and new life will come forth!

PRAYER

God, I pray for an illumination of your truth in this season. May the truth of your Word become real to us in our lives. I pray for revelation from heaven. Help us to absorb your Word in such a way that it grows up from within us – growing and growing so that it flows from out of us and into our lives, our families, our communities, and into the earth.

“Let us acknowledge the LORD; let us press on to acknowledge him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth.” (Hosea 6:3)

Have a restful weekend

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ONLINE SAFETY NEWSFLASH



Updated Android Controls

At the beginning of December Google released new and updated parental controls for Android devices.

These include:

- Set the amount of screen time that can be spent on a device each day to help establish healthy habits.
- Set downtime schedules to automatically lock the device at night to ensure restful sleep without distraction.
 - Control app usage by limiting time spent on specific apps, or blocking apps entirely.

• Add more time by granting extra minutes when a time limit is reached, or to extend a scheduled break.

You can find further details about these updates on the Google blog:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/smartphones-and-other-devices/android-smartphone/>

and Internet Matters have a handy Android guide for parents which you can find here:

<https://blog.google/products/android/android-16-december/>





Low Cost/No Cost Family Fun in London



Please look at the organisations' websites to double check times and arrangements

The January Challenge 2026 - **FREE**

To explore your unique creativity

This challenge is for everyone who want to get their friends, groups or communities together to do The January Challenge collectively.

Started on the 1st January, but you can still join in. Each day is a different challenge.

The theme is around 'Courageous Change' - supporting you to make bold decisions in your communities, organisations, settings and personal lives.

[The January Challenge 2026 - 64 Million Artists](#)

Natural History Museum - **FREE**

Cromwell Road, South Kensington, SW7 5BD

Dinosaurs, volcanoes, earthquake simulators, the Natural History Museum never fails to wow kids (and adults). The animatronic T.rex is the headline act, though little ones can also visit the glowing gemstone gallery and creepy-crawly exhibits. In the investigate centre, children can get hands-on with real specimens.

[Home | Natural History Museum](#)

Mudchute Park & Farm - **FREE** (£2 donation appreciated)

Pier Street, Isle of Dogs, E14 3HP

London's largest city farm in Canary Wharf. Kids can meet sheep, goats, pigs, horses and even llamas. This farm is surreal and delightful, making it one of the most unique things to do with kids in London.

[Mudchute Park and Farm](#)

Bank of England Museum - **FREE**

Threadneedle Street, EC2R 8AH

This exhibition explores the creation of the Bank of England's iconic building.

Children will learn about money and economics, they can lift a real gold bar (it's chained down), learn about banknote security features and explore interactive displays about money through the ages.

[Museum | Bank of England](#)

Crystal Palace Park - **FREE**

Thicket Road, SE19 2BS

Crystal Palace Park is one of South London's largest public parks, situated in the Borough of Bromley, at the meeting point of four other boroughs (Croydon, Lambeth, Lewisham and Southwark).

The park is home to some full-size dinosaur models built by the Victorians, the National Sports Centre, a children's farm, a playground, a maze, an outdoor concert platform, boating and fishing lakes and plenty of green space to run about in.

[Crystal Palace Park Trust](#)

Changing of the Guard - **FREE**

Buckingham Palace, SW1A 1AA

One of London's most famous free spectacles, this takes place outside Buckingham Palace on certain mornings (please check schedule below in advance). Kids will enjoy the music, marching soldiers and shiny helmets. The Victoria Memorial steps offer the best view.

[Schedule - Changing the Guard - Ceremonial Events - The Household Division - Official site](#)

Sky Garden - **FREE**

1 Sky Garden Walk, EC3M 8AF

The Sky Garden is a lush indoor garden with some of the best spectacular views of London.

Kids can spot different landmarks and there's space to move about safely.

Booking in advance is required.

[Sky Garden - London's Highest Public Garden](#)

Mudlarks Family Gallery - **From £3.95**

No. 1 Warehouse, West India Quay, E14 4AL

Now until 18th January 2026

Get hands-on in their interactive play area for under-8s. Mudlarks brings the docks to life through interactive play, which keeps little ones occupied and stimulates their development.

There's plenty for kids to get hands-on with. Drive a DLR train in the soft play area, move ships along the dogs on the water table and help workers move their cargo using wheelbarrows.

[Mudlarks family gallery | Free soft play | London Museum Docklands | London Museum](#)

London's Royal Parks - **FREE**

Explore any Royal Park for free, relax in acres of beautiful, natural parkland and discover a wide range of things to see and do.

- Hyde Park - known for its major events and home to a variety of gardens, children's playground, sports facilities, shop and historic monuments.
- Kensington Gardens - one of London's eight Royal Parks covering an area of 265 acres of old and new park and green space.
- Richmond Park - one of London's eight Royal Parks, covering 2,500 acres and home to ancient trees, herds of deer and the Isabella Plantation.
- Bushy Park - the second largest of London's eight Royal Parks at over 1000 acres, home to wild deer and located north of Hampton Court Palace.
- Green Park - one of London's eight Royal Parks, a peaceful triangle of mature trees and grasslands offering a quiet retreat from city life.
- St James's Park - the oldest Royal Park at the heart of ceremonial London. Enjoy great views of the lake and fountain from St. James's Café.
- The Regent's Park & Primrose Hill - home to a large wetland area, gardens, children's playgrounds, sports facilities and more.
- Greenwich Park - one of London's eight Royal Parks, a mix of 17th century landscape, stunning gardens and a history dating back to roman times.
- Brompton Cemetery - the grade 1 listed cemetery in West London is the well-loved resting place of over 200,000 people a haven for wildlife.
- Victoria Tower Gardens - is a small pocket of green space in the heart of Westminster that's home to a number of memorials.

• <https://www.royalparcs.org.uk/visit/parks>

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

- ⇒ 19th Jan Lion Class Swimming
- ⇒ 20th Jan: Yr6 (Tiger) visit to WRWA (Wandsworth Recycling Centre)
- ⇒ 22nd Jan: Yr6 (Cheetah) visit to WRWA (Wandsworth Recycling Centre)
- ⇒ 26th Jan: Yr6 (Lion) Swimming



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2025 - 2026 Term Dates

Term	Start Date	Finish Date	Number of Days
Autumn One			
Term One (2025)	Wednesday 3 rd September Children return to school <i>Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September – 2 INSET Days</i>	Friday 24 th October	38 days
Holiday	Monday 27 th October	Friday 31 st October 2025	
Autumn Two			
Term Two	Monday 3 rd November	Thursday 18 th December <i>Friday 19th December INSET Day</i>	34 days
Holiday	Monday 22 nd December	Friday 2 nd January 2026	
Spring One			
Term Three (2026)	Tuesday 6 th January Children return to school <i>Monday 5th – INSET Day</i>	Friday 13 th February	29 days
Holiday	Monday 16 th February	Friday 20 th February 2026	
Spring Two			
Term Four	Monday 23 rd February	Friday 27 th March	25 days
Holiday	Monday 30 th March	Friday 10 th April 2026	
Summer One			
Term Five	Monday 13 th April	Friday 22 nd May	29 days
Bank Holiday	Monday 25 th May 2026		
Holiday	Tuesday 26 th May	Friday 29 th May 2026	
Summer Two			
Term Six	Monday 1 st June	Friday 17 th July <i>Monday 20th July 2026 INSET</i>	35 days
			Total = 195 days Total Teaching Days = 190 Days

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