

## **Trinity Church School**

Learning, Growing, Believing Together



Friday 19th July 2024

**Newsletter 18** 

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

### Headteacher's Message

It's hard to believe that we are at the end of another academic year and heading into the Summer holidays. 2023-24 has been another busy and successful year for Trinity. In addition to the variety of trips and experiences we have been able to offer the children, we have enjoyed seeing many of them represent the school in a multitude of sporting events, with fantastic results! We had our Ofsted visit just before Easter and I am very proud of the Good rating we received - the feedback from the inspectors was incredibly positive and they highlighted many outstanding elements of our school.

The success of Trinity and your children's achievements and progress are continuously supported by the staff team. The dedication they show to their roles within the school is inspiring, and not something I take for granted. I would like to say a big thank you to all staff for working tirelessly throughout the year, going that extra mile for the children and ensuring they reach their full potential every year.

Year 6 have now completed their primary education and will no doubt be excited to start secondary school in September. Well done to all of you on your SATs results which reflected how hard you have all worked. I wish you all the very best with your next steps and hope that your time at Trinity has provided you with the confidence and knowledge to start Year 7 with enthusiasm.

Thank you also to our amazing PTA who give so much support to the children's experience at school organising events and sales to raise money throughout the year. This year, they have given us the Monster Mash Disco, Movie Night, Mother's Day Shop, Father's Day Shop and the Summer Rave - as well as contributing to things like transport for several trips and running the ever-popular tuck trolley. We are lucky to have such a strong team of volunteers organising so much.

As always, our Local Governing Body has continued to support the school and I remain grateful to them for the time they devote to their governance duties. I am sad to report that our Chair of Governors, Jen Hird, is stepping down after 8 years in the role. I would like to extend special thanks to Jen for her commitment to Trinity and the support she has given the school during this time. She will be greatly missed.

In September, we will be joined by Miss Honor Willis as our Reception Class Teacher, and Miss Laura Langan who will be an SEN Teaching Assistant. We look forward to them both joining the Trinity team.

All that remains is for me to thank you, as parents for your continued support and wish you all an enjoyable Summer break - I look forward to welcoming children back to school on Tuesday 3rd September 2024.

Mrs Parsons

## House Points Winners

Congratulations to Sapphire House who were House Point winners last week. Well done!

## Attendance Winners



Well done to Redwood Class who had best attendance last week and Conker Class who had best attendance this week - well done!

#### Full Year 100% Attendance

Congratulations go to Alice YR, Holly Y1, Emma Y4 and Jake Y6 for a full year of unbroken attendance and to Annabelle Y4 who has now completed five full years of 100% attendance. Well done!



### **Outside Achievements**

Congratulations to the following children for their Outside Achievements:

Caspar Y2 - Passing level 6 in swimming

Levi Y2 - Modern jazz exam

**Brad Y3 - Football tournament** 

Harry Y3 - Beaver of the year

Nevaeh Y3 - Passing level 2 beam in gymnastics

Isaac Y5 - Word millionaire

Martha Y6 - Modern jazz exam



### **Sports Day**

Last Friday, we enjoyed our annual action packed Sports Day. We were lucky with the weather and the children were incredible as always.

A total of seven activities (running races, long distance running, obstacle course, a water obstacle course, Javelin, Kurling and the relay) tested their stamina, skill, teamwork, strength, speed, accuracy and resilience. The children rose to this challenge magnificently. For two solid hours, the whole school was a hive of activity as the Houses competed for the prestigious cup.

When all the scores had been counted from all of the activities there was the narrowest of margins separating the four Houses. The winner this year was Sapphire House! I know I speak on behalf of all the staff at Trinity, when I say I couldn't be more proud of the children for all of their









### 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, Mr Pollock, or our Deputy Safeguarding Leads Mrs Parsons and Mrs Hurley.

The safety of our young people is the responsibility of us all.

### Headteacher's Award

Conkers: Alice
Chestnut: Felicity
Cedar: Toby
Willow: Leyna
Cherry: Cody
Maple: Amber
Redwood: Ben



### Car parking from September

From September, for health and safety reasons and to safeguard our children, the pedestrian and vehicle gates will not be opened until 3.10pm. If you have permission to park on site at the end of the school day, we ask that you not access the site until this time. If any parent/carer is found parking on site prior to this time, they will be asked to leave until 3.10pm.

If you have a pre-arranged visit with a member of staff before this time we ask that you park outside of the school grounds, where possible.

### **Acorn Class**

#### **Class News:**

Over the past two weeks in Acorn Class, we have been learning and practising our rhyme: "A Sailor Went to Sea, Sea, Sea". I have been so impressed with how well the children have learned and understood the vocabulary for this rhyme. We have also enjoyed the stories: "Commotion in the Ocean" and "Hey, Water!" as part of our literacy curriculum.

The children have been very busy making different sea creature crafts, learning about what lives under the sea and finding out information about the seaside and boats. We had a special visitor this week who volunteers at Radstock Museum - Ann Dawson. She told us all about beaches and boats in the UK. The children loved handling her collection of seashells and finding out about the museum's seashore trail available over the Summer holidays.

In Maths, the children have been practising their number fluency including their skills of 1:1 correspondence, subitising and ordering numbers, as well as identifying smaller numbers that make up larger numbers.

Our *Ice Cream Parlour* has been a favourite role-play area this term, and the children have been developing their communication and language skills through imaginative play about what happens at the seaside.

We hope you all have a wonderful Summer holiday and can enjoy some quality family time before the new school year in September! We are so proud of all our children in Acorns Class, and we can't wait to watch them develop on their learning journey next year! Thank you for all your support as parents this year, we look forward to seeing you in the Autumn term!

Miss Wood



### **Conker Class**



### **Class News:**

We are so proud of everything that Conker Class has achieved over the last year. The way they have faced all their new learning with a positive 'can do' attitude has impressed all the adults that have had the pleasure of working with them.

For our final two weeks in Conker Class, we have been thinking about pirates. We found out what our pirate names would be, learned to speak pirate, found out some interesting facts, drew treasure maps and went on treasure hunts. Do you know why a pirate wore a patch? Ask your child.

This week we have been thinking about recycling and how we can look after our planet. We have listened to the song: "What a Beautiful World" and used this as inspiration to paint.

In Maths, we have been looking at exchange and how this can be used for coins too. We have had shops where we have bought objects, counting out pennies and looking at how we can make 5p using the three different coins, 1p, 2p and 5p.

We have looked at how much we have

grown over the year and used cubes to get an idea of who has grown the most.

During French Day, Conker Class took a tour around France. We discovered different landmarks such as the Eiffel Tower and the Arc de Triomphe. We learned that there have been some very famous artists - Claude Monet was our favourite. We were fantastic whilst learning to speak French. Ask us how to say yes, no, thank you, hello and goodbye in French. We practised speaking French whilst we tried different French foods. Some of us were very surprised to find out that in France one of their favourite meals is snails, luckily it wasn't on the menu today!

Sports Day was so much fun. The children loved taking part and we think you can agree that their attitude of participation and enjoyment shone through.

A huge thank you to you all for your support this year. We really appreciate all the work that you do at home with your children and wish you all a very relaxing fun filled Summer.

Mrs Vivian and Mrs Clements





### **Chestnut Class**

#### **Class News:**

The last few weeks have flown by and I cannot believe that we are already at the end of the academic year.

Sports Day was a great event and highlighted some of the best attributes of the children in Chestnut Class. The adults were blown away by the children's determination and resilience, especially in the 'Golden Mile' event. It was also heart-warming to see the children supporting their friends and helping them to do their best during challenging moments.

Our budding artists have been perfecting their techniques for folding paper for their sculptures. Again, the children have demonstrated their positive attitude to learning by working hard by shaping paper into concertinas, zig zags and spirals. Inspired by: "The Tree of Life" by Marco Balich, the children planned and created their own 3D artwork. The children added their own unique details such as insects or animals to their pieces.

As scientists, we have continued to identify and classify animals into groups such as reptiles, amphibians, mammals, birds and fish. We have also explored describing and comparing animals by their key features by focusing



on their similarities and differences. As part of our retrieval on animal classification, the children created their own 'guess who' style game about mammals.

The children were excited about the 'shuffle up' morning into Cedar Class and enthusiastically reported back about their activities with Mrs Vivian. In preparation for the transition to Year 2, we have been spending time thinking about our best qualities, our special memories from this year and what we are looking forward to in the new academic year.

It's been an absolute pleasure to teach Chestnut Class and I have been so proud to be your teacher. It's been a positive year and you have all made fantastic progress. Keep aiming high and achieve your goals.

A very special 'thank you' to all our Chestnut families for all your support with home learning as well as joining us for workshops, assemblies, church services, performances and Sports Day. Your support makes such a difference!

Have a wonderful summer holiday!

Mrs O'Brien

### **Cedar Class**





#### **Class News:**

Wow, what a year we have had! I cannot believe we are at the end of the academic year and the children have now finished their time in KS1.

In the final weeks of Term 6, the children have been hands on in all their learning with Sports Day being a particular highlight. The children started their day earning some impressive scores in javelin and ended the day with the running (or in some cases dancing!) races. Cedar Class demonstrated all of our Christian Values and put a smile on everyone's faces when supporting and cheering on members of the class.

In Maths, the children learned to add money and shop on a budget! With the money made from our decorative clay photograph holders, the children planned a party. They quickly realised that they could save by making their own decorations and they compared prices to get the best deal. This gave the children a better understanding of money and it allowed them to have ownership of the party, which they then were able to pay for and thoroughly enjoy later in the week!

The children impressed Miss Walker on the

'shuffle up' morning into Willow Class and they have certainly demonstrated how 'ready' they are to be Year 3. During the build up for Year 3, we have been thinking about our dreams and goals for the future as well as reflecting on the fantastic progress and memories they have made. I am immensely proud of all the children in Cedar Class. and I can't wait to see them continue their learning

journey in Year 3! As always thank you to our family and friends of Cedar Class who have been a continued

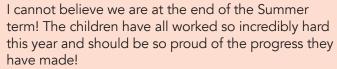
support throughout the year. I hope you all enjoy some quality family time this summer and I look forward to seeing you in the Autumn term!

Mrs Robinson



### Willow Class

#### **Class News:**



Over the last few weeks the children have been finishing off their learning.

In Maths, the children have continued to learn how to tell the time. We've spent the last week learning how to tell the time 'past' the hour and 'to' the next hour.

In English, we have come to the end of our Autumn poem. The children have been planning and writing their own Summer poems which I have been incredibly impressed with. All the children have used a wide range of adjectives and personification to add great detail to their writing!

Last week, Willow Class spent the morning in Cherry Class for 'shuffle up' morning. We spent the morning reminding ourselves of the expectations within our classroom, besides the Golden Rules and Christian Values. The children had great fun designing their



own pencil cases and creating a display board for next year!

We have had lots of exciting activities going in throughout the school over the last few weeks. We had the Year 6 production which the children loved! We also had Sports Day last Friday, it was lovely to see Willow Class participate in the activities and to see them have fun! I was incredibly proud of all of them.

It has been a pleasure to teach Willow Class this year. The children should all be so incredibly proud of themselves. They have all worked exceptionally hard and have all made excellent progress! Thank you to all Willow families that have supported the children throughout the year.

I hope you all have a wonderful and well deserved summer break! I look forward to welcoming you back in September in Year 4!

Miss Jones

## **Cherry Class**





#### **Class News:**

Wow - where has that time gone? It's hard to believe we're at the end of another school year, one in which every member of Cherry Class has been a credit to themselves and the school!

The children have continued to work hard with their learning over the last couple of weeks. In Maths, we have been learning about position and direction using coordinate grids. In English, the children were required to write a non-chronological report on a topic of their choice. Their knowledge and enthusiasm for their writing was fantastic! We concluded our geography learning on climate change by designing our own eco-friendly schools!

We have been very fortunate to have had lots of lovely activities going on in school over the last couple of weeks. Sports Day, musical visitors, productions and Class assemblies to name a few! The children were also rewarded for their swimming efforts this year with a trip to Radstock park!

I am extremely proud of every member of Cherry Class this year. They have been a pleasure to teach and have all worked hard and made great progress over the year.

I wish you all a wonderful Summer holiday and I look forward to welcoming you back in September into Year 5!

Mr Hancock



## Maple Class



#### **Class News:**

During the final couple of weeks of term, we have continued to work hard in Maple Class. We have had our last couple of lessons with Tim Parker, who has been providing weekly singing and ukulele lessons to the Year 5s. We performed some of our learning to the rest of the school in a special singing assembly.

As part of our learning about The Ancient Maya, we made and decorated 'drinking chocolate vessels', as the Maya civilization would have done when they invented drinking chocolate (or hot chocolate as we now know it). We thought we should definitely taste test some drinking chocolate too - everybody enjoyed it!

During our 'shuffle-up' morning, we played lots of team building games and voted for our new House captains for the next academic year. We also decided on classroom and school roles like tuck trolley monitors, collective worship leaders and librarians. We are ready to start Year 6!

Miss Phillips

# Class News: Redwood Class

During the final few weeks of their time at Trinity, the children have performed their fantastic leavers production and have also shared their memories with their peers and family during our leavers' assembly. Their final term at Trinity has been a mixture of emotions, as they prepare to leave and head off on their new ventures.

The Year 6s have also worked really hard to make up some bags for the homeless, which include tea, coffee, sugar and milk. These bags will then be distributed within Bath to the homeless community.

It has been a pleasure to get to know them all over the last two years and I wish them all the best in secondary school and beyond.

Miss Walker



## Thought of the week

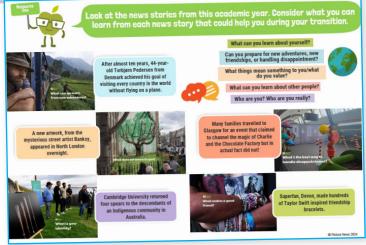


As we finish the year we have also been thinking ahead to transitions next year. Some of us will begin new schools while others will change classrooms and/or teachers. Change can be scary but change helps us to grow and develop resilience and to become adaptable.

As we go through life, our experiences and the experiences of others can shape who we are. We may learn more about ourselves: our fears, passions, and values. We may discover ways to recognise and manage our emotions. We may develop a resilience that can help prepare for the future. Can you think of any experiences so far that have had an impact on you?

We have talked about lots of news stories this year and learned from others. I wonder if there are things within our discussion that we can draw on to support us to remember ways to cope with change.







# Chair of Governors' Message

This year has been another positive one for Trinity; the school continues to go from strength to strength and the OFSTED inspection, reconfirming the school's 'Good' rating, is testament to the hard work and dedication of staff, the commitment and engagement of parents and carers and above all, the fantastic children who make Trinity such a wonderful school to be part of.

The end of the year is often a time for reflection, if not from the children, then at least from staff, parents and carers who wonder where on earth the year has gone! This is particularly relevant to me this year as I am stepping down from the Governing body after eight years of volunteering; it's been a real pleasure to have the opportunity to support Mrs Parsons and the wider school community during this time and I'll miss my visits to school. As such there will be a vacancy on the joint Governing Body from September, it would be ideal if we could fill that with someone from the Trinity School community. Further information about what it means to be a school governor can be found under the Governor vacancy link on the Midsomer Norton Schools Partnership website: <a href="https://">https://</a> www.midsomernortonschoolspartnership. com/vacancies.htm. If this is something you are interested in, please do contact the School Office.

Wishing you all a great (and hopefully less wet) summer holiday

### Christian Values Awards

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

Friendship: Isabella Y6

### **September Class Arrangements**

#### **Senior Leadership Team:**

Executive Headteacher:
Deputy Headteacher:
Assistant Headteacher:
SENDCo:

Mrs M Parsons Mr M Pollock Miss C Phillips Mrs C Hurley

#### **Class Teachers:**

Nursery (Acorns)
Reception (Conker)

Year 1 (Chestnut) Year 2 (Cedar) Year 3 (Willow) Year 4 (Cherry) Year 5 (Maple) Year 6 (Redwood): Miss N Wood
Miss H Willis
Mrs S Clements
(PPA Cover)

Mrs A O'Brien
Mrs L Vivian
Miss K Walker
Miss E Jones
Mr E Hancock
Miss C Phillips

### **Sports News**

Last week, some of our children took part in a basketball tournament. We took two enthusiastic teams along to compete. Both teams did exceptionally well and represented the school brilliantly. Team B lost their first two matches but then went on an impressive 3 match winning streak. Team A won all of their matches on their way to the final. The final was a nail biting match against Chew Stoke who narrowly won by one basket in the dying seconds of the game.

The Year 3 and 4 Quad Kids Athletic competition was our last sporting event of the year. This team athletic event includes throwing, long distance running, sprinting and the long jump. I was so impressed with the children's attitudes and the team spirit they displayed. You made us all proud and there were some fantastic personal bests.



### **News Crew**





#### Lewis (Conker)

I am excited to go into Year 1 because I will have Mrs O'Brien and Miss Brown and I will be 6 years old. I will be able to go up to the top playground. I will get picked up and dropped off in a new bit.



#### Jack (Chestnut)

I am excited about going to Year 2 to learn new stuff. I am excited about having Mrs Vivian and about being 7 when I'm in Year 2. I am mostly excited about doing new subjects.



#### Levi (Cedar)

I am excited about being in KS2 and about having Miss Walker as my teacher. I am looking forward to DT lessons.



### Raffle News:

The lucky winners of the basket of goodies were Delilah in Year 3 and Jack in Year 1. Congratulations to you both - you'll be very busy during the holidays now! A big thank you everyone who supported the raffle. We made over £90.00 to spend on resources for KS1.

Thank you! Mrs O'Brien and Miss Browne





#### Bella (Willow)

I am excited about having Miss Jones again next year and having harder work because I don't like doing easy work. I am also excited about having a new student in our class.



#### January (Cherry)

I am excited about having Mr Hancock again and being one of the oldest in the school. I am excited about learning new English work and about being double digits in age.



#### **Tobious (Maple)**

I am looking forward to having Miss Phillips as my teacher again next year. I hope we get to read with the new reception children and I am excited about being a sports leader. I'm also happy to be at the top of the school.



#### Ben (Redwood)

I am looking forward to secondary school and making new friends. I am also excited about exploring a new school.



### Dates for your Calendar 2023-2024 - Term 6

Date	Event	Notes
Friday 19th July	End of Term 6	Whole School
Monday 2nd September	INSET DAY - School closed to children	
Tuesday 3rd September	TERM 1	Whole School