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**‘The Best for Every Child -a Unique Child of God’
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Dear Parent / Carers
Our Christian Value this term is **Friendship**

Our Ethos Statement this week is: **A friend loves at all times. Proverbs 17:17**

Autumn Term

Our children in year 3 and 4 went St George’s Church, in Leeds, to find out about what Christmas is all about. It has been a very busy week in year 3 and 4 as they also experienced what it is like to do ballet.

Year 2 enjoyed experiencing what it was like to be in a Victorian school – they looked wonderful too – thank you for supporting us with this and also thank you to our year 2 team for organising this amazing event. Miss Lillington and the Worship Team

We have concluded our visits for prospective parents joining our school in September 2025. They enjoyed meeting our children and finding out about what they enjoy most about being a Holy Trinity student 😊

Sunday marks the first Sunday of Advent and next Wednesday is our next Praying Parents meeting. Come and join us for a festive gathering.

Next week our children in Reception will be performing their Nativity – I know that they will be wonderful!

As the temperature continues to fall, please ensure that your child brings not only their coat but also their hat and gloves (and wellies). We will continue to enjoy our Outdoor Play and Learning into the winter season.

Dogs around the school gates

Please can you ensure that if you bring your dog to school, when dropping off/collecting your child, you do not stand near the gate as we do have children who are afraid of dogs and are anxious when coming into/or leaving school. Please ensure that you have complete control over your dog at all times.

Many thanks

Pupil of the Week

RB Our pupil of the week is Hannah Brookes. Hannah is making exceptional progress in all	RC This week our pupil of the week is Alfie Bottomley. Alfie is such a kind boy, a great
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<p>areas of her learning. She is helpful and a good friend to others. Her acting skills in our Christmas show amaze us. Well done Hannah! 😊</p>	<p>friend to everyone and a role model to the class. Alfie always tries hard at everything he does and we couldn't be prouder of him. You are such a pleasure to have in our class Alfie, well done! 😊</p>
<p>1K 1K's pupil of the week is Lucas. Lucas has been making great progress with his reading; he is confident on his Year 1 Phonics sounds, can explain what a digraph and trigraph is and can answer retrieval questions about a text. Lucas enjoys getting involved in lessons; putting his hand up and coming up to the board. Keep up the super work, well done 😊</p>	<p>1RC Our pupil of the week is Clark. Clark is an excellent role model in the classroom and around school. He always follows our school rules and he is always polite and kind towards others. Clark works hard in every lesson. He has grown in confidence and contributes to class discussions with thoughtful answers. Well done! 😊</p>
<p>2J Our pupil of the week this week is Eddie. Eddie has had a wonderful half term so far. He has learnt his lines for the nativity play brilliantly and acts them superbly. He has also persevered with joining his handwriting. In science lessons he always shows great enthusiasm for sharing the facts he knows, and we've noticed him always being kind and helpful to his classmates too. Well done Eddie, keep it up! 😊</p>	<p>2S We've chosen Joe Porter as our pupil of the week in 2S. Joe is a delightful member of the class. He's kind, enthusiastic and hardworking. This half term especially, he's really impressed us with the motivation and determination he shows towards all his learning. His recent English work on A Christmas Carol was fantastic to read. It was so lovely to see him using all the skills he's been taught and trying to make his writing the best it can possibly be. I've also noticed some super reading comprehension skills too. Keep up all your brilliant work Joe, we're very proud of you. Well done! 😊</p>
<p>3R This week we have chosen Jack as our pupil of the week. Jack has persevered with all our tricky tests this week and the effort he has been putting in has been amazing. He has made great progress with his reading and he is definitely a lot more confident with reading aloud. Year 3 were lucky enough this week to take part in a ballet workshop, and Jack really stood out! He was fantastic and listened really well to the teacher. A huge well done to Jack - keep up the good work 😊</p>	<p>3W This week in 3W, we have chosen Lily as our pupil of the week. Lily always follows instructions, works hard and puts in maximum effort into everything that she does. She is such a kind member of 3W and is always wanting to help people in the class. I have been particularly impressed with her maths work this week as she takes pride in the presentation of her work and is always careful when answering questions. Well Done Lily, keep up the good work. 😊</p>
<p>4W Well done to all of 4W for another busy week which included a ballet workshop and a trip to Saint George's Crypt Church! This week, our Pupil of the week is Xidane Campbell. Xidane is a fab member of the class who always works hard. Recently, it is in our science lessons that I have been</p>	<p>4S This week in 4S our pupil of the week is Zhila! Zhila is always putting 100% effort into her work in every single lesson which means that she produces amazing pieces of work. This week we were particularly impressed with the effort that she put into our Northern Ballet session. She took part in all</p>

<p>particularly impressed, he has a real enthusiasm and thirst for knowledge- it is been fantastic to see him really develop his scientific questioning and thinking around our topic of states of matter. Well done, Xidane, keep it up! 😊</p>	<p>of the activities and tried her best even with the trickier moves and silly games. The ballet teacher was equally impressed with her skills and effort and highlighted her to me and the rest of the class. Well done Zhila, keep up the amazing work! 😊</p>
<p>5L My 5L Pupil of the Week is Matilda Miller for a wonderful week of learning! Matilda is one of our always children - always trying her absolute best and always being a super role model! This week, Matilda has shown great teamwork skills in our DT bridge building and has begun to develop what is going to be an imaginative fiction story linked to our text, The Good Thieves! Well done, Matilda! 😊</p>	<p>5K I have chosen Bella Senior as pupil of the week because she has showed such an enthusiasm for our DT project about bridges! She worked really well in a team yesterday when making bridge structures out of paper straws and she showed an excellent attitude towards challenge. Well done Bella 😊</p>
<p>6C Poppy Johnson for her fantastic efforts in Year 6. She is always putting in maximum hard work in all aspects of life at Holy Trinity, both in the classroom and around school. She is always respectful and helpful to all she meets. In maths lessons, it has been great to see her take on extra challenges and is always sharing her methods and explaining how to solve problems in the most efficient way. Well done Poppy, keep up the superb work, you are a credit to the school. 😊</p>	<p>6E Summer Yates-Cass is our pupil of the week this week. I have seen a wonderfully mature attitude to Summer despite a difficult personal week. She has been a joy in lessons: always putting in the desired effort and making sure her work is to a strong standard. She has also caught my eye in her maths test - not something she is particularly confident about - where she has excelled this week and gained a superb score in her reasoning paper. Keep it up! 😊</p>

Dates for your diary

Tue 3 Dec – Reception Nativity (am)
 Wed 4 Dec – Reception Nativity (pm)
 Mon 9 Dec – Nasal Flu Immunisations
 Tue 10 Dec – KS1 Nativity (pm)
 Thur 12 Dec – KS1 Nativity (am) and Christmas Jumper Day!
 Thur 19 Dec – KS2 Christmas performance at church (9:20am & 2:15pm)
 Thur 19 Dec – Christmas Dinner
 Fri 20 Dec – Carols round the tree, school closes for Christmas



PTA Dates for your diary :

Fri 6 Dec Christmas Fair

A huge thank you for all of your generous donations for the Christmas Fair, we will definitely have some fabulous hampers!

We are still looking for more volunteers to help at the Christmas Fair, if you can spare an hour or two on Friday 6th Dec please sign up to help at <https://signup.com/go/dxAnTxS>

Also, don't forget to return your raffle tickets, there are some great prizes to be won including a brand new bike available as a top prize!

Reverse Advent Calendar

Christmas can be a very exciting time of year: spending time with family and friends, giving and receiving presents, singing carols, decorating the house, and eating lots of food! During the month of December, the Worship Team and children of Cookridge Holy Trinity have decided to think about those who are not as fortunate as others.

In the lead up to Christmas, this year our school will be taking part in a Reverse Advent Calendar challenge to help provide much needed food/toiletries to those less fortunate.

Beginning on Monday 2nd December- Wednesday 18th December, we will be encouraging children to bring in non-perishable items and toiletries to contribute to their class' Reverse Advent Calendar. At the end of our challenge, the contributions will then be collected by Leeds North and West foodbank, Trussell Trust, and distributed to those most in need.

Suggestions of items to donate:

- cereal - Christmas foods
- soup, pasta, rice - jams/spreads
- tinned goods - long life UHT milk
- tea, coffee, sugar
- biscuits
- long life fruit juice
- toiletries – deodorant, toilet paper, shower gel, shampoo, soap, toothbrushes/paste
- baby supplies – nappies, baby wipes, baby food

Thank you for your support,

Miss Lillington and the Worship Team

Mathletics

This week the top 10 mathletes across school are:

1. Henry Speight
2. Neve Bradley
3. Luca Lawrence
4. Ben Wright
5. Marnie Burgoyne-Mitchell
6. Finlay Buckley
7. Sebastian Wilson
8. Joshua Watson
9. Alice Williams
10. Nelson Dekker

The trophies are awarded to 5L and 2J

Golden Welly



This week the Golden Welly Award was awarded to RC Well done! 😊

Cath Hellings
Headteacher