

# Trinity St Mary's C of E VA Primary School



Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2025



## Our Core Christian Values

### School Hours

Gates open at 8.45am and close at 8.55am for all children.

The school day finishes at 3.25pm for all children.

### Our Christian Values Book

The following children have demonstrated one or all of our Christian Values: love, honesty, sharing, dedication and forgiveness. Well done to: **Riley** in **Topaz**.

### Lunchtime Cup

This week the Lunchtime Cup is awarded to **Charlie D** in **Amber** class for demonstrating our Christian Values. Well done!

### House Points

Fenn	95
Shaw	76
Tabrums	25
Marsh	91



## Kindness Star of the Week

Well done to:

**Humite – Thomas Bu**

**Emerald – Luke**

**Amber – Charlie D**

**Ruby – Maddie**

**Topaz – Lucy**

As we are now recognised as a kindness school we are sent a certificate every term to award to a pupil who has demonstrated an outstanding act of kindness. Staff are always looking for children who have demonstrated kindness in school. We now have kindness stickers to acknowledge this. **If you want to nominate a child, whether it be your own or another child in the school, for an outstanding kindness award for an act of kindness outside of school then please email the office.** Senior leaders of the school will then consider all nominations before awarding the certificate at the end of the term.

## Archery



For the archery session with Essex Kids Camp, we went into three groups and shot arrows onto a target, it was very fun! We used skills of determination and focus to try and get bullseye! Our Christian value of dedication came into play as we shot arrows because we did not want to give up, and always aimed for a higher target.

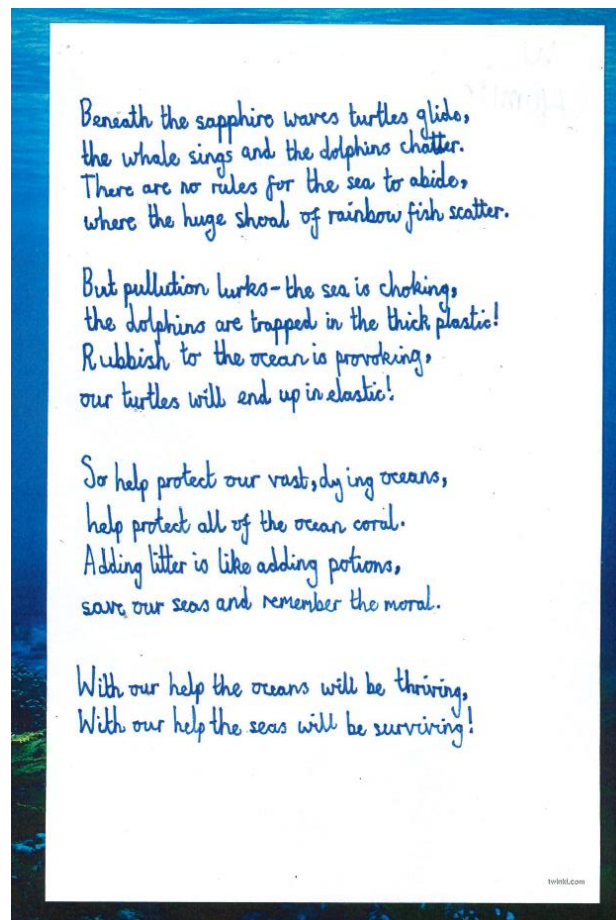
Humite class – **Laurel and Mia E**

## Poetry Competition Winners



Congratulations and well done to our poetry competition winners;

**Maddie, Grace, Albie, Jack & Stanley**



My little monster poem  
 My cute, fluffy monster  
 Snuggles up in bed,  
 and he shakes his  
 head.  
 My adorable, funny  
 monster likes to eat  
 baked beans,  
 and he likes to wear  
 soft, shuggly jeans.  
 My playful, joyful  
 monster will sit on  
 a chair,  
 reading about a  
 grizzly bear.

Albie

As bold as the sun with  
 beaming light.  
 Like a brutal bear showing all her might  
 she showed up to the battle field as ready as ever.  
 Her time to lose she thought was never.  
 Helpless souls like swarmed flies.  
 Boudicca's flame begins to die.  
 Her rallying roar retrieves her troops.  
 Horses galloping like they're jumping  
 through hoops.  
 people falling left and right  
 will Boudicca lose this fight?  
 Her nor her warriors could cope.  
 But she has a spark of hope. She  
 starts to roar for more. So she can  
 set a lure. Again she roars for more.  
 Boudicca wants to settle the score.

In a hurry!

A big roast dinner  
with a Yorkshire pud  
I'd eat three big ones  
if I could!  
Roast potatoes  
soft and hot  
If I had a big bowl  
I would eat the lot!  
In a hurry!

By Stanley

Henry VIII had six wives,  
but unfortunately ruined many lives,  
and yet still one survived.  
The wives got divorced,  
they had no choice they were forced.

Katherine of Aragon could give no son,  
so Henry said to the next one.  
He asked the pope,  
but the pope said nope.  
So gained some hope,  
then made the Church of England.

Next up was Anne Boleyn,  
but on her neck she carried some sins,  
so Henry decided to get her beheaded  
which does mean her life will be ended.

Now the love of his life it's Catherine Jane,  
but then after her son she suffered the pain,  
yet she gave Henry his wish of a male  
but up in the sky she was free to set sail.

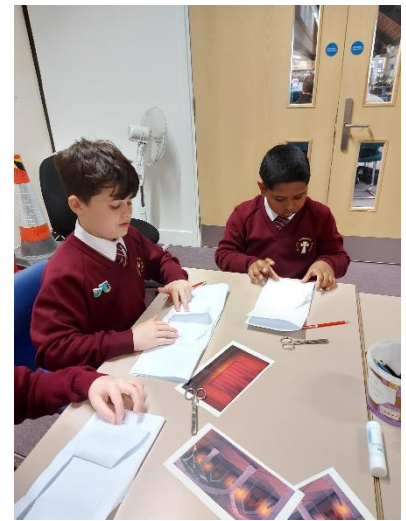
Anna of Cleves Henry's German wife,  
and she was lucky  
he didn't take her life,  
though she got divorced,  
as Henry thought she was ugly.

Beheaded Catherine Howard,  
although she was still young,  
Henry thought she was naughty  
and again to the next one.

Finally the survivor,  
Katherine Parr,  
it's just how she got so far,  
she out-lived Henry,  
like a little star.

## Emerald Library Visit

South Woodham Ferrers Library were celebrating Shakespeare week this month and kindly invited our Year 5 and 6 classes in for a Shakespeare book making class visit.





## Swimarathon 2025



*Our grateful thanks to  
TSM Starfish*



*Our grateful thanks to  
TSM Bubbles*



*Our grateful thanks to  
TSM 1 Racers*



*Our grateful thanks to  
TSM Jellyfish*

On Saturday, four teams from TMS participated in the Rotary Swimarathon. All the children not only demonstrated some impressive swimming skills, but truly amazing team spirit too. I was very impressed with every team member; they swam with enthusiasm, whilst also cheering each other on and celebrating their ever-growing number of lengths swam.

Thank you to all the parents who came and supported the event too.

Just a polite reminder the children's sponsor forms should have been returned via your child(ren) and if you have not already done so, please may we ask that all sponsor money is sent in to school by **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2025**. Thank you in advance.

Mrs Allan

## Attendance

Congratulations to **Topaz** class who have the highest attendance this week, with an attendance of **95.71%**. Whole school attendance is **93.46%**.

If your child is absent then please remember to report this before 8.30am either by telephone or via Studybugs stating the reason for your child's absence. **We do not accept emails for reporting absence.** Thank you.

Get the app or register now <https://studybugs.com/about/parents>

Please also be aware that if you plan on taking your child out of school then a leave of absence form must be completed or a copy of the appointment letter must be shown prior to the absence.

Please be reminded that absences need to be reported daily. Therefore if your child is off for more than one day, updates must be provided to the school via Studybugs or voicemail.

We will be rewarding attendance every half term this year. A class receives the attendance cup each week. The class that receives the cup the greatest number of times will receive a treat in the last week of that half term.

## Lateness

We are seeing quite a few latecomers each morning, arriving via the office. Please be reminded that the gates close at **08:55** for all children. Any child arriving after this time through the office will be given a late mark and you may be called in to discuss this. All late arrivals must give a satisfactory reason.

## General Reminders

### Easter Service

Our Easter Service is on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 9.10am.

Please be advised the service will be in the church, families are asked to arrive (at the main school entrance) at 9am for a 9.10am start.

### Easter Holidays Bikeability Training for all Schools

The Easter holidays are fast-approaching – are you looking for something for your child to do during this time? Why not sign them up to one of the [Bikeability courses](#). The courses are being held in Chelmsford, Colchester, Harlow and Witham.

### No Clubs

Please note our clubs have now finished for the Spring term, communications will go out next week with details on how to sign up to our clubs for the Summer term.

## **Letters Emailed Home**

Forest School Ruby Class

Amber Parent Consultation Meetings Rescheduled

P.E. Jumpers Amber

Rocksteady Easter Concert

Year 6 Residential Reminders

## **Travelling Book Fair**

Thank you for all your support with the Book Fair this term, it is always appreciated. The monies raised from the sales help us to raise money towards free books for the school.

Thank you and happy reading!



## **Collective Worship**

During Monday's Collective Worship, Miss Hoy told us about the bible and how it was written.

There are different gospels written by Mathew, Mark, Luke and John. They all write from a different perspective. We also looked at the story of feeding the 5000.

In Tuesday's Collective Worship, Miss Mason told us about Holy Week and recapped the Easter story. We talked about Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. We talked about love and how Jesus died on the cross for us, dedication and how he took the cross up the hill for us.

In Wednesday's Collective Worship, we talked about Mother's Day and the important women in our life. In the 16th century Christians returned to their mother/ the church they were baptized in, when children were sent off to work as maids, they were allowed a few days to visit their family.

In Thursday's Collective Worship, Reverend Jackie told us about Luke chapter 13 verses 6-9. Jesus explained that you are a tree and when you are good the fruit grows but when you're bad it doesn't, telling us that good things come to people who do good in the world.

In Friday's Collective Worship Reverend Adrian told us about Mother's Day and famous mothers he also told us about the story of Ruth and how she stuck by Naomi's side through her dark times. This tells us that we should always be faithful to God because he will show.

**By Worship Warriors Billy & Emily**

## Easter Colouring Competition

South Woodham Ferrers Town Council are holding an Easter Colouring Competition this year and have opened it up to all the primary schools in South Woodham Ferrers.

There are three age categories; 4-6 years, 7-8 years and 9-11 years.

The children will be entering via TSM and a winner from each age group will be selected by the Town Mayor and the winning children presented with a certificate from the Town Mayor along with an Easter treat.

The winners and their families from each category will also be invited to attend the Annual Town Meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> April to once again be congratulated and have the opportunity to show off their hard work.

The winners will be announced on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2025.

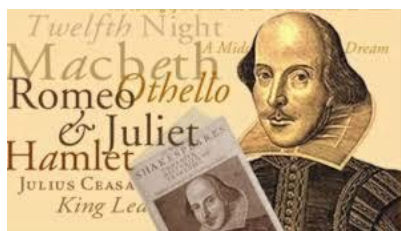
Good luck!

## Headteacher Summary

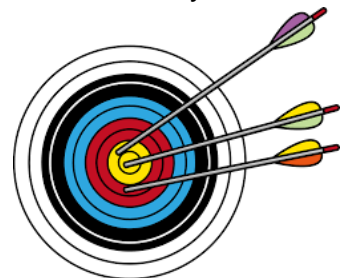
It was fantastic to start the week by announcing the poetry winners in Collective Worship on Monday. I hope the winners enjoyed spending their book voucher at the travelling fair this week.

The children have participated in the SWF Town Council design a poster for the Great British Spring Clean Campaign this week.

Teachers introduced the campaign and then the children designed and produced their own poster encouraging people to care for their local environment/ community and to not drop litter.



Humite and Emerald were invited to the library to participate in a Shakespeare activity. Essex Kids Camp led an archery session for every child today – it looked like everyone enjoyed themselves in their class session.



I hope to see as many of you that can join us at our Easter service in the church on Monday. Please enter through the school entrance. The children will be seated first and the service will start at 9.10am.

I am looking forward to seeing the children compete in the Easter interhouse competition next week. I also hope the children in Year 6 enjoy their residential – fingers crossed for good weather!

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Hoy

## TSM Key Dates 2025

Please find a list of our key dates below. The list will constantly be updated throughout the school year, so please keep an eye out for any changes. Further information will also be sent home, as usual, closer to the dates if needed.

Autumn Term	
31 <sup>st</sup> March 2025	Whole School Easter Service
1 <sup>st</sup> April 2025	Interhouse Competition
1 <sup>st</sup> April 2025	Rocksteady Concert
2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	Amber Parent Consultation Meetings
2 <sup>nd</sup> April – 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Year 6 Residential
3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025	Amber WDF Laboratory Lesson
7 <sup>th</sup> April – 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025	Easter Holidays
22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	Inset Day
23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025	RotaKids Meeting
23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025	London Mini Marathon Event
30 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Eco-Committee Meeting
1 <sup>st</sup> May 2025	Humite WDF Laboratory Lesson
2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2025	Mighty Oak Competition Day
5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Bank Holiday
9 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	FOTSMS VE Day Non-Uniform Day
12 <sup>th</sup> May – 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	SATS Week
15 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Emerald WDF Laboratory Lesson
19 <sup>th</sup> May – 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	Well Being Week
21 <sup>st</sup> May 2025	Early Years Oral Health Talk
26 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Bank Holiday
27 <sup>th</sup> May – 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Half Term
2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025	Inset Day
4 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Emerald Class – Road to RIAT Virtual Session
4 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Year 6 Gambling Workshop
6 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Carmel Jane – Class/Group Photos
10 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Year 6 - Chelmsford Cathedral Leavers Service
11 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Eco Committee Meeting
16 <sup>th</sup> June – 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	TSM Sports Week
20 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	TSM Summer Fete
24 <sup>th</sup> June – 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	WDF Year 6 Induction Days
1 <sup>st</sup> July 2025	Practise Sports Morning
3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2025	TSM Sports Morning
9 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Essex County Fire & Rescue Service – Water & Summer Safety Assembly
17 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	RESERVE TSM Sports Morning
21 <sup>st</sup> July 2025	Year 6 Leavers Assembly



### **Mother's Day**

Thank you to all the children who attended our Mother's Day sale today. They were all very polite and chose their gifts with care.

Wishing you all a happy Mother's Day on Sunday, we hope you enjoy your gifts.

### **Easter Raffle**

We have been donated an Easter egg for each class to hold an Easter raffle. Tickets are 50p each and there is no limit to how many times you can enter.

The raffle is still running until Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March, with the winners being announced on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April.



### **Easter Gifts**

Every year FOTSMS buy the children an Easter gift as a thank you for their support. This year we have bought chocolate lollies that will be handed out on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April so that all the children can enjoy them before Easter!



Vicki Bohr – Chair FOTSMS



### FOTSMS Event Diary

24 <sup>th</sup> March – 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Easter Egg Raffle  Winner announced 1 <sup>st</sup> April.	Each class will have an Easter egg that they can win through the class raffle, 50p a ticket, enter as many times as you want!
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Easter Gifts	Easter gifts to be given to the children.
9 <sup>th</sup> May	VE-Day 80 Non-Uniform Day	To celebrate VE Day, children are invited to wear red, white & blue on Friday 9th May - £1.00 donation can be made on ParentPay.
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Clothing Collection	
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Rainbow Raffle Donations	Donation boxes will be in class to collect non-perishable items.
20 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Summer Fete	More details to follow.