



Trinity St Mary's C of E VA Primary School



Friday 3rd July 2026



DEDICATION



HONESTY

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.

Tiger



Rabbit



Axolotl



Eagle



Hedgehog



Lunchtime Cup

This week the Lunchtime Cup is awarded to **Matilda C** in **Axolotl** class, for demonstrating our Christian Values. Well done!

House Points

Fenn	20
Shaw	28
Tabrums	55
Marsh	20



Kindness Star of the Week

Well done to:

Hedgehog – Theo

Eagle – Oliver

Axolotl – William

Rabbit – Olivia

Tiger – Oscar

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.

52 Lives are encouraging children to join their **Kids' Club page**.

You will get access to their monthly kindness challenge, kind news and much more: <https://schoolofkindness.org/kids-club>

Class Summary

Each week we will be highlighting what one class has been up to in school.

This week we share an insight into Eagle class.

Eagle Class Summary

This week, we enjoyed a fantastic Wellbeing Week, with each day focusing on a different aspect of wellbeing.

On Monday, our theme was animals. We had so much fun meeting a wide range of animals, including a goat called Ronaldo! Many of the children loved cuddling rabbits and guinea pigs, as well as throwing balls for the dog. We enjoyed learning about the different animals, feeling how soft some of them were, and watching their funny personalities and behaviours.

On Tuesday, our focus was art and creativity. After several weeks of hard work, we finally completed our fantastic 3D animal sculptures. The children carefully built their models using cardboard and papier-mâché before painting them and attaching them to colourful abstract backgrounds. We are incredibly proud of the creativity, resilience and effort that went into each finished piece.

On Wednesday, our theme was health and fitness. We explored how being active supports both our physical and mental wellbeing, discussing how exercise can improve our mood, help us stay healthy and encourage teamwork. Throughout the day, we enjoyed a range of activities, including rounders and exciting parachute games, which had everyone smiling and working together.

On Thursday, our focus was the environment. We were fortunate enough to visit the local Fen, where we explored the beautiful natural surroundings and learnt more about the wildlife and habitats on our doorstep. The children spotted ducklings, butterflies and a variety of other creatures that call the Fen home. We also explored the winding creeks and discovered more about how the land is used, making it a wonderful opportunity to learn about and appreciate the natural environment while enjoying the calming benefits of being outdoors.

On Friday, our theme was music. As part of both our music and science learning, we explored how sound is created and carried out a range of mini experiments to investigate how vibrations travel as sound waves. We then finished the week with an energetic drumming workshop, where everyone enjoyed creating rhythms together and experiencing the joy of making music as a class.

It has been a fantastic week, full of creativity, curiosity, teamwork and fun. The children embraced every activity with enthusiasm, and it has been wonderful to see them exploring so many different ways to support their wellbeing.





Attendance

Congratulations to **Rabbit** class who have the highest attendance this week, with an attendance of **98%**. Whole school attendance is **93.45%**.

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

[Logging absences on the Parent Portal and Arbor App](#)

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 Arbor or voicemail.

In August 2024 the Department for Education issued "Working together to improve school attendance" which is statutory guidance that as a school we must follow. From the 2024/25 academic year schools now have a responsibility to submit a sickness return to the local authority for any child who will miss 15 days consecutively or cumulatively because of sickness.

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

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

Donations

It would be wonderful if we could locate some more **logs** to sit on and long logs 1.5 metres and the width of an arm or smaller for our Forest School area and any **watering cans** to help with our delightful gardening area, if you are able to help in our search to find some please let us know. Thank you.

Arbor Information Held

If you haven't recently checked yours and your child(ren) details on Arbor can you please take a few moments to check that all data we hold is accurate and up to date and update it if necessary. It is really important that the data we hold for your family is correct. Thank you.

Uniform Policy

Please note the Uniform Policy in preparation for September is now available on the website; <https://trinitystmarys.ovw1.juniperwebsites.co.uk/site/data/files/3171D96AB4A819251397AB3B4A41E198.pdf>

Earrings

As the summer holidays are nearing closer, parents are encouraged to actively work with TSM in helping to minimise disruption to the physical education curriculum when we return. Parents can help by ensuring that school guidance on jewellery is adhered to and that ears are pierced at the start of the summer holidays to allow maximum healing time (note newly pierced ears can take a period of up to six weeks before sleepers and studs can be removed).

We are following national guidelines and children who do wear earrings to school on PE days will be expected to remove them by themselves. Staff are unable to help with this and we are not allowed to tape over earrings for P.E. lessons.

Thank you for your support with this policy, the expectation will be there will be no children returning with newly pierced ears.

Year 6 - Ties

If any of our leavers would like to donate their ties this year, we would be most grateful for some spares in the office. Thank you in advance.

School Group Photos are now live!

A message from Carmel Jane Photography:

We are excited to share that the photographs are ready, and they look amazing!

If you pre-registered, please check your inbox for your unique access link.

If not, please contact us on www.carmeljane.co.uk/pre-registration-support

and insert school code: JRRANXJM69

There are limited time discounts available, so act fast!

All photographs will be sent straight to your home address.

Letters Emailed Home

School Reports 2025-2026

Catering Provider

Class Group Photos are now live!

TSM School Term & Holiday Dates 2027-2028

Year 6 SATS Results

End of Term Dress Code Update

Collective Worship

Monday - Essex County Fire & Rescue Service: We started the week by looking at water safety in light of the upcoming summer holidays. We learnt that it only takes half a cup full of water for your lungs to be filled and so even in shallow water and paddling pools, we must still be safe. We looked at different flags on the beach that warn us of different things and tell us the direction of the wind and current. We also investigated the best ways to float in case of an emergency: Keep calm, mouth and nose out of the water, push your belly up and ears under water. The biggest piece of advice was to NEVER swim without someone else with you!

Tuesday - Mrs Greenyer-Smith introduced the theme of Collective Worship with a look at the song 'What a Wonderful World'. We watched David Attenborough narrate a video of animals whilst this song was playing, and we discussed what makes the world wonderful. We spoke about our families, our friends, nature and new life and just how this invokes a sense of wonder in our lives.

Wednesday - Open The Book. We delved into the story of Paul who sailed a boat through a great storm, but he was not scared as he knew that God would protect him. We discussed how we can all face challenges in life, some of which seem impossible to conquer, but if we persevere and through the love of God, we will get through it and succeed.

Thursday - Mrs O'Brien discussed the importance of being good in such a wonderful world. We defined being good as: amazing, special, happy, enjoyable and many more. We then compared these to wonderful things that some of us had seen, including: The Northern Lights, rainbows, flowers, animals and the Sun! We then explored how we can show gratitude for these things that God has created and how we can protect them.

Headteacher Summary

It has been another busy and enjoyable week.



On Monday, Essex County Fire & Rescue Service delivered a Water Safety Assembly. With the warm, sunny weather encouraging many families to visit Essex's beautiful beaches, rivers and lakes, the assembly provided an important reminder about staying safe near water. The children learned some simple but potentially life-saving precautions to help them enjoy the outdoors safely this summer.

This week has also been another highly successful Wellbeing Week. I hope the children have enjoyed the wide range of activities on offer. I have seen some fantastic artistic talents on display across the school. The visiting farm proved particularly popular, with children enjoying opportunities to brush ponies, hold rabbits and play with the friendly farm dog.





Eagle class visited the local fen on Thursday, where they joined a local councillor to explore the peaceful trail and learn about this unique transitional habitat. As part of Environment Day, Hedgehogs and Tigers enjoyed their Forest School sessions, and our week concluded with the always-popular drumming workshop, which brought plenty of energy and enthusiasm to the school.

On Tuesday, Essex Police delivered a virtual Positive Action Online Roadshow for Years 5 and 6. The session explored themes including democracy, British values, safety, belonging and pupil voice. This programme supports young people to develop confidence, strengthen their oracy skills and make informed choices, while helping Essex Police and their partners better understand the experiences and perspectives of young people across our communities.

I hope you all received your child's report at the beginning of the week. If you would like to provide feedback or arrange a meeting with your child's class teacher, please contact the school office.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Hoy



TSM Key Dates 2026

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.

Summer Term	
6 th July 2026	Essex County Fire & Rescue Service Summer Safety Assembly
6 th July 2026	Class Transition Session 1
8 th July 2026	Class Transition Session 2
8 th July 2026	RotaKids Spelling Event
9 th July 2026	Year 5 WDF Taster Day
9 th July 2026	Year 6 Treat Afternoon
10 th July 2026	Tiger Class Pirate Day
13 th July 2026	Essex Youth Orchestra Brass Quartet - live performance.
14 th July 2026	Rocksteady Summer Concert
14 th July 2026	Year 6 Leavers Performance to Whole School
15 th July 2026	Conductive Music Workshop Years 1-6
16 th July 2026	Year 6 Treat Afternoon
16 th July 2026	Year 6 Leavers Performance to Parents
17 th July 2026	Last Day of Term / Ice Cream Van
20 th July 2026	Inset Day
21 st July 2026	Summer Holidays

Trinity St. Mary's **DODGEBALL** CLUB

WHEN: Tuesday July 7th 3:30 - 4:15pm

YEARS
2/3/4/5



PRICE:
FREE
taster

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Free Family Events in Chelmsford

A snapshot of low or no cost fun & family-friendly activities across Mid Essex Helping you make the most of the summer holidays!

Families across Mid Essex can enjoy a range of free, fun summer events in Braintree, Chelmsford, and Maldon.

This guide highlights local activities, support, and welcoming spaces to help keep children entertained.

This is just a starting point, there are many more opportunities available through local organisations, offering plenty to explore this summer. Scan here to take a look at our web page for further activities on offer.

Find out
more here!



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Working together to ensure all children & young people in Mid Essex get the best start in life