



Trinity St Mary's C of E VA Primary School



Friday 16th May 2025



DEDICATION



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.

House Points

Fenn	31
Shaw	61
Tabrums	46
Marsh	65



Kindness Star of the Week

Well done to:

Humite – Mia E

Emerald – Neve

Amber – Ezra

Ruby – Maddie

Topaz – Matthew

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.

Keeping Calm. For any pupil at any time they need it, we have found a super resource from Child Line. There are games, activities, class yoga and breathing activities to help to keep your Zen! Plus a meditation page & tips to stay calm.

Go to: <https://www.childline.org.uk/toolbox/calm-zone/>

<https://schoolofkindness.org/meditation-for-children>

<https://schoolofkindness.org/10-ways-to-practise-self-kindness>



Please don't forget it is TSM Wellbeing Week, next week, Monday 19th May – Friday 23rd May.

On Thursday 22nd May, we would like to invite you to celebrate wellbeing with us, by joining us in having a picnic on the field from 2.30pm – 3.15pm. Please bring in snacks and drinks for your family. Please remember that we are a nut free school. You are welcome to bring in a picnic blanket. Please arrive at the front office at 2.30pm. At 3.15pm the children will be led back into their classroom to collect their belongings and will then be led back out to the playground at 3.25pm.

Class Summary

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

This week we share an insight into Humite class.

Humite Class Summary

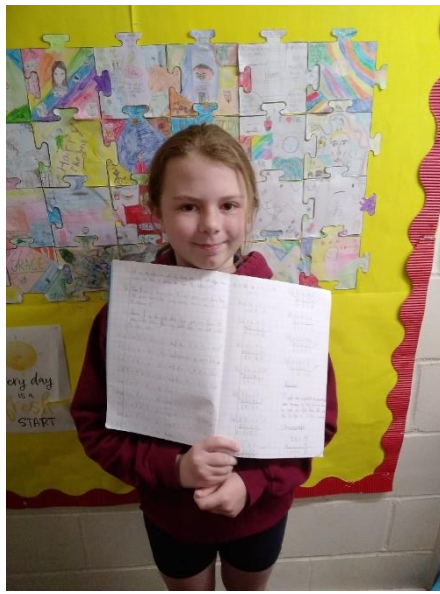
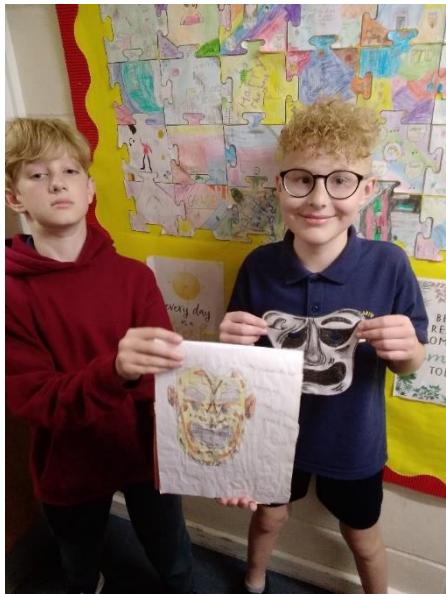
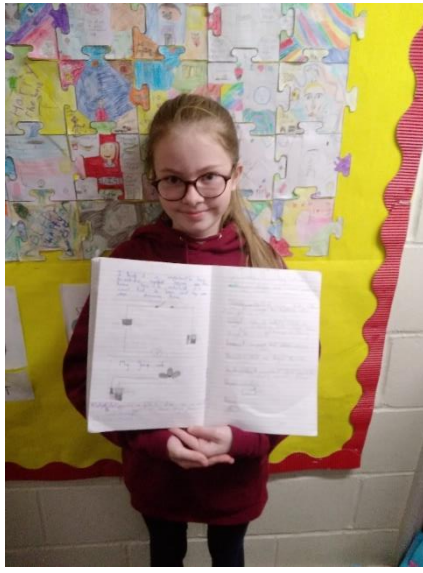
It's been another exciting and creative week in Humite! This week, children have been busy planning their own Ancient Greek theatre masks. They explored the importance of theatre in Ancient Greek society, learning how performances were used to share stories, entertain crowds, and honour the gods during festivals. Next week, they'll be bringing their designs to life using card and papier-mâché—an exciting hands-on project we can't wait to see develop!

In science, children built on their understanding of electrical circuits by learning how to identify and fix problems when a circuit isn't working. They explored how the components in a circuit, such as wires, batteries, bulbs, buzzers, and switches, need to be connected correctly for electricity to flow. Using this knowledge, they built their own circuits and experimented with different arrangements to discover what caused a bulb not to light or a buzzer not to sound. It was a great opportunity for problem-solving, teamwork, and developing their understanding of how electricity works in everyday objects.

In history, children looked at primary sources and used these to find out more about the Ancient Greek Olympics. They examined artefacts, images, and extracts from ancient texts to explore how the games were held in honour of the gods, with events like discus, wrestling, running, and chariot racing. This helped children understand how the Olympics were not only athletic competitions but also deeply connected to religion, culture, and celebration in Ancient Greek life.

In PSHE this week, children explored Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs and discussed how human beings have different types of needs that must be met in order to feel safe, valued, and fulfilled. They learnt about the five levels of the hierarchy, beginning with basic physical needs like food, water, and sleep, followed by safety, love and belonging, self-esteem, and finally self-actualisation—reaching one's full potential. Children reflected on why each level is important and how they are all connected. They then created their own personalised hierarchy of needs, thinking carefully about what they value most in their lives and what helps them to feel supported and motivated. This activity encouraged children to think deeply about their wellbeing and the role that relationships, routines, and self-confidence play in their everyday happiness.

Finally, a huge well done to our Year 6s who completed their SATs this week. We are incredibly proud of their hard work, focus, and determination. They have shown such maturity and resilience—we couldn't be prouder of them!



Topaz Teddy Bear Games

On Tuesday, Topaz class had an amazing morning over at William de Ferrers School, participating in the Teddy Bear Games. Our wonderful class worked with children from two other local schools to complete a circuit of eight different activities. Some of these activities included the children demonstrating their throwing and catching, balancing, speed jumping and target skills. All the children worked really hard, both individually and as a team. I was very proud of their enthusiasm and excellent behaviour. Well done Topaz class!

Mrs Allan







Attendance

Congratulations to **Ruby** class who have the highest attendance this week, with an attendance of **97.78%**. Whole school attendance is **95.29%**.

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.

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

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.

Letters Emailed Home

RotaKids Fundraising Event

ECC Parents Survey 2025

Year 6 Online Transition Session – Kooth

Forest School – Topaz Class

Sealife Adventure Class Trip – Topaz

General Reminders

Lost Property

We currently have a lot of unnamed items in our lost property box. If your child has lost anything this term please take a look through the box to see if it is there, **the box is located under the shelter in the playground. We will be destroying any unclaimed items at the end of the term.**

Water Bottles

Please send a water bottle in every day with your child. Especially as the weather turns warmer it is important that they can keep hydrated throughout the school day. Thank you.

Donations

Any donation of toys would be welcomed for use during lunchtime play, including outdoor toys/games, dolls, board games, cars etc. Thank you in advance.

Headteacher Summary

The children in Year 6 can now breathe a sigh of relief as the SATs are over! They should all be very proud of themselves for the determination and effort that they have made. I hope they all enjoyed their pizza treat provided by FOTSMS this afternoon – thank you FOTSMS.



I hope the children in Year 1 and Reception enjoyed the Teddy Bear Games at WdF on Tuesday.

The children were all keen to show me their teddies and all of the children had a smile on their face as they walked back through from the event.

It was lovely to see many of our new to Reception parents for a welcome meeting earlier in the week. I have also been showing many prospective new families around our school too.

I am really looking forward to celebrating our 'TSM Well Being Week' next week. We have planned for it to be bigger and better than before. I hope the children enjoy the week and I hope to see many of you at the picnic on Thursday afternoon.



Have a fabulous 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.

Summer Term	
19 th May 2025	Year 6 Online Transition Session
19 th May – 23 rd May 2025	Well Being Week
21 st May 2025	Early Years Oral Health Talk
21 st May 2025	KS2 Healthy Eating Session
22 nd May 2025	Wellbeing Picnic
26 th May 2025	Bank Holiday
27 th May – 30 th May 2025	Half Term
2 nd June 2025	Inset Day
3 rd June 2025	RotaKids Sponsored Readathon
3 rd June 2025	Year 6 Knife Crime Talk at WDF
4 th June 2025	Emerald Class – Road to RIAT Virtual Session
4 th June 2025	Year 6 Gambling Workshop
5 th June 2025	WDF Science Lesson – Emerald
6 th June 2025	Carmel Jane – Class/Group Photos
10 th June 2025	Year 6 - Chelmsford Cathedral Leavers Service
13 th June 2025	FOTSMS - Colourful Non-Uniform Day for the Rainbow Raffle
16 th June – 20 th June 2025	TSM Sports Week
17 th June 2025	RotaKids Meeting
17 th June 2025	Essex Kids Camp
18 th June 2025	Essex Kids Camp
18 th June 2025	Eco Committee Meeting
20 th June 2025	Essex Kids Camp
20 th June 2025	TSM Summer Fete
24 th June 2025	WDF Mini Olympics Year 2
24 th June 2025	Emerald & Year 5 Humite, Essex Schools Food & Farming Day Class Trip
24 th June – 25 th June 2025	WDF Year 6 Induction Days
1 st July 2025	Practise Sports Morning
2 nd July 2025	Topaz Sealife Adventure Class Trip
3 rd July 2025	TSM Sports Morning
4 th July 2025	Summer Reading Assembly
9 th July 2025	Essex County Fire & Rescue Service – Water & Summer Safety Assembly
15 th July 2025	Rocksteady Music Summer Concert
17 th July 2025	RESERVE TSM Sports Morning
21 st July 2025	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
23 rd July 2025	Summer Holidays



SATs Celebrations



A tradition that only started a few years ago in FOTSMS, is now one of my favourite things to do.

It was my absolute pleasure to deliver pizzas to our amazing Year 6's today to celebrate all their hard work this week during SATs week.

We hope they all enjoyed this treat from FOTSMS.

Next Week - Clothing Collection –19th - 22nd May

Our clothing collection starts 8am Monday 19th May to 8am Thursday 22nd May.

We Accept:	We Don't Accept:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adult and children's clothing• Paired shoes• Fashion accessories• Handbags, belts• Hats, scarves• Jewellery, perfumes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dirty, damaged, wet clothes• Uniforms, underclothing• Toys, books, DVD's• Duvets, pillows, household linen• Carpets, blankets, curtains• Bric-a-brac

Please ensure that all items are placed in bags which are in good REUSABLE condition. Please ensure that the bags remain dry on rainy days.

Vicki Bohr – Chair FOTSMS



FOTSMS Event Diary

22 nd May 2025	Clothing Collection	
3 rd – 13 th June 2025	Rainbow Raffle Donations	Donation boxes will be in class to collect non-perishable items.
20 th June 2025	Summer Fete	More details to follow.

Book Bags
Each new child starting Reception gets gifted a school book bag from FOTSMS as our welcome.

Our School PTA
FOTSMS

Friends of Trinity St Mary's
We fundraise for the school in numerous ways whilst creating fun lasting memories for the children and their families.
We hold discos, non-uniform days, sales for special occasions such as Mothering Sunday and Christmas, Summer Fete etc.
If you have any queries, please come and speak to us or message us via the Facebook page at the bottom of the page.

Christmas & Easter Gifts for every child

Leavers Hoodies, Pizza Treat after SATs & Autograph Books

Pre-loved Uniform SALE
Fotsms - Pre-Loved Sales Page

FOTSMS (Friends of Trinity St Mary's School)
friendsoftrinitystmarys@gmail.com



Friendly Reminder

Hoppy wants to remind you, your school's clothing collection is soon! Get your bags ready. Bring as much as you can, even use extra bags if needed. More donations mean more funds for the school's reinvestment! Let's make it count!



Your Collection Date is:

22nd May

[f](#) [in](#) [ig](#) [Happyschoolbag](#) [www.happyschoolbag.co.uk](#) [0170 868 5071](#) [info@happyschoolbag.co.uk](#)

What we collect



We accept:

- ✓ Adults and children's clothing
- ✓ Paired shoes
- ✓ Handbags, belts, hats, jewellery
- ✓ Toiletries, perfumes,
- ✓ Souvenirs, unwanted gifts



Please ensure that all items placed in the bags are in good REUSABLE condition. Please ensure that the bags remain dry on rainy days. Thankyou

If unsure about anything, please call us on 0170 868 5071

We do not accept:

- ✗ Uniforms, underclothing
- ✗ Bric-a-brac, toys, DVD'S, CD's
- ✗ Rugs, blankets, curtains, books
- ✗ Household linen, pillows, duvets
- ✗ DIRTY, DAMAGED, or WET clothes



TRINITY ST MARY'S SUMMER FAIR

Friday 20th June
3.20pm - 5.30pm



Join Us for an Exciting Event!

Unlimited Inflatables: Kids can enjoy endless bouncing with our wristbands—only £8 in advance or £10 on the day!

Phoebe's Pantry | Gelato Ice Cream | Rainbow Raffle | Face Painting | Class Stalls

Bring your picnic blankets and family and friends for a day of joy and entertainment!