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### Our theme in Collective Worship is Aspiration

'Live full lives. Full in the fullness of God.' Ephesians 3:19 Aspiration represents the message of Jesus to go out into the world and make the best of the gifts we have been given and to use them for good to 'live in all its fullness' (John 10:10). To be the very best we can be and encourage this in others.

This week Mrs Griffiths and Mr Lynn led school worship encouraging the children to reflect on how they use gifts God has given them. Rev Chirs led worship in the Junior school sharing the story of Esther.

### Diary Dates

#### Autumn 2024

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 9:15am** Harvest Festival – Holy Trinity Church

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October** Year 6 Residential

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October** Hello Yellow Day

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October** Flu Immunisations (Infants & Juniors)

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 9:15am** Phonics parent workshop

**Half term holiday: Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Oct to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 2024** (Training day Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Oct School closed to pupils)

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 9:30am** Remembrance Service Spa Gardens All Families Welcome

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November** Open Book Morning - Parents welcome to browse books with their child

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November** Children In Need Day

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November** Parents' Consultations

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December** Elf Fun Day! Dress up as an elf!

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December** Christmas Crafts Open Afternoon

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 9:15am** Christmas Service at Holy Trinity Church All families welcome

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December** Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch – Infant & Junior

**Christmas holiday: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2024 to Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

#### Spring 2025

**Spring term starts: Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025** LDLT Training Day School closed to pupils

**Half term holiday: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025 to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025**

**Easter holiday: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2025 to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**Bank Holiday: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2025**

#### Summer 2025

**Summer term starts: Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025**

**Bank Holiday: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

**Half term holiday: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025 to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

**Summer holiday: Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

#### Autumn 2025

**Training day Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025**

**Autumn term starts: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025**

#### Training Days 2024 /2025

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025**

#### Training Days 2025/2026

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025**



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### **Our Federation**

**Dear Families,**

#### **Ihor's Chair**



On Tuesday, Rev Michelle joined Year 3 to remember Ihor, who was a very special member of our school. As part of our Elf Day last December, the whole school raised money to buy a story telling chair to celebrate Ihor's life. Rev Michelle led a simple ceremony inviting the children to remember the friendship they enjoyed with Ihor. After Rev Michelle blessed Ihor's chair, his classmates laid petals in memory of their friend. This chair will move through school with the children, providing a space where they can sit and share their memories.



#### **Farewell**

Sadly, Rev Michelle is leaving Holy Trinity; she has a new role as Vicar of St Edmund's Church, Roundhay. Rev Michelle will be greatly missed by us all at Trinity. Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October will be Rev Michelle's last service at Holy Trinity Church. The service starts at 10.30am. Please hold Michelle, Matt, Isabelle & Joe in your prayers as they prepare to say goodbye to us and begin new adventures in Roundhay. All families are welcome to join the staff, pupils and the school choir in saying goodbye and wishing Michelle and her family good luck in their new adventure.

#### **Staffing News**

Thank you to everyone who has asked about Mrs Treasure who many of you will have noticed is missing from Trinity - her meet and greet is especially missed on the junior gate! Mrs Treasure is well and sad not to be with us at the moment. She is looking after an immediate family member who is unwell. I am sure parents will join me in sending our thoughts and prayers to Mrs Treasure and her family.

#### **Harvest Festival**

All Families are welcome to join us on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 9:15am for our Harvest Festival. This year the Worship Warriors are asking for donations for the Salvation Army's outreach work. Please bring donations of pasta sauce (no pasta please), tinned meats and toiletries (toothpaste/soap/shampoo).

#### **Hello Yellow Day Thursday 10th October**

Holy Trinity School will be joining thousands of schools across the UK and taking part in Hello Yellow in support of YoungMinds on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October (World Mental Health Day) where we'll be holding a non-school uniform day and asking everyone to wear something yellow. This can be yellow socks, a yellow hair accessory, a yellow tie, a yellow ribbon, anything you like!

There are days when all of us struggle with how we are feeling. Things can get tough, and it can be difficult knowing how to cope. For so many young people, when this happens, they don't always get the help they need, when they need it. They don't know where to turn, who to talk to, or even if anyone else feels the same.

No young person should feel alone with their mental health. But together, we can change this. To take part, students can wear yellow to school, and we'd like to ask parents and carers to consider donating to help YoungMinds keep fighting for young people's mental health. Our suggested donation is £1 which can be donated by bringing it into school on the day. Each class will spend some time in the afternoon, discussing and taking part in wellbeing activities.



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Finally, YoungMinds have resources for parents and carers to find help and advice, if you're ever concerned about a child or young person - you can find this on their website: [www.youngminds.org.uk/parent](http://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent).

### Bon Voyage Year 6!

Good luck to our Year 6 staff and pupils as they head off to Weardale on their residential! If you want to learn more about Weardale Adventure Centre please visit their [website!](#)

Regards

Sue Sanderson

Executive Headteacher

## Safeguarding

### In-Game Chat

**What Parents & Educators Need to Know about IN-GAME CHAT**

Video games are continuing to grow in popularity – including, of course, among children and young people – and the emergence of gaming communities has been accelerated by the inclusion of chat functionality across many different titles. While in-game chat isn't inherently a bad thing, it can create some concerns about online safety and the people that children might be interacting with.

**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**

**DIFFERENT TYPES OF CHAT**

There are a number of ways that gamers can communicate with one another. As an online world expands, so do the ways that players can connect. In-game chat is a common feature of many titles, but it can also be used to communicate with people outside the game. This is often done through social media, messaging apps, or other online platforms. Parents and educators should be aware of these different ways of communication and the risks they pose.

**CONTACT WITH STRANGERS**

Whether it's text or voice chat, in-game chat can be used to communicate with people who are not known to the player. This can be a risk because children and young people may be exposed to inappropriate content, harassment, or even grooming. Parents and educators should encourage children and young people to be cautious when interacting with strangers in-game.

**ANGER OF GROOMING**

A groomer is someone who builds a relationship with a child or young person in order to exploit them. This can happen in many ways, including through in-game chat. Groomers often use flattery, gifts, and promises to gain the trust of the child or young person. Once they have established a relationship, they may attempt to persuade the child or young person to meet them in person or to share sensitive information.

**BULLYING AND ABUSE**

While games are fun, they can also be a place where children and young people experience bullying and abuse. This can happen through in-game chat, where players may use language that is hostile, insulting, or threatening. Parents and educators should encourage children and young people to report any incidents of bullying or abuse to the game's support team.

**POTENTIAL FOR PRIVATE CHAT**

If a player sends a message to another player in a private chat window, it can be difficult for parents and educators to know what is being said. This is because private chat is often encrypted and not visible to anyone else. Parents and educators should encourage children and young people to be cautious when using private chat and to avoid sharing sensitive information.

**COMPETITIVE ATMOSPHERE**

Many games are designed to be competitive, and this can create a hostile environment. Players may use in-game chat to insult or threaten their opponents. Parents and educators should encourage children and young people to play games in a positive and respectful way.

**Advice for Parents & Educators**

**LOCK-DOWN IN-GAME CHAT**

Most games allow parents and educators to lock down in-game chat. This means that children and young people can only communicate with people who are known to them. Parents and educators should encourage children and young people to use this feature to reduce the risk of contact with strangers.

**CONSIDER OTHER CHAT OPTIONS**

If a child wants to play with people they know, consider using a chat option that is not in-game. This could be a messaging app or a social media platform. Parents and educators should encourage children and young people to use these options instead of in-game chat.

**REPORT POTENTIAL OFFENDERS**

If a child reports a player who is using inappropriate language or behavior in-game chat, parents and educators should encourage them to report the player to the game's support team. This will help to ensure that the player is removed from the game and that the child or young person is safe.

**COMMUNICATION IS KEY**

Make sure children understand the difference between online communication and face-to-face communication. This means that anything that is said online should be treated as if it were said in person. Parents and educators should encourage children and young people to be respectful and to avoid sharing sensitive information.

**Meet Our Expert**

David Corbett is the founder of Childnet and has been working in the children's technology industry for 20 years. He is a parent and has written the book 'The Children's Technology Handbook' which has been published in three editions.

**Wake Up Wednesday**

**The National College**

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If you've played or seen any online games from the past few years, you've probably noticed that almost every title of this kind has some kind of chat functionality. Whether allowing players to send text messages to one another, letting them use their mics to chat together or playing on a multiplayer game, chances are you can talk to your fellow gamers.

Sadly, such a function comes with its fair share of risks – as is to be expected with a feature intended to connect gamers from around the world. It is immensely important for parents and educators to understand these concerns and help young players address them. That's why we've put together this free guide, breaking down the most prevalent issues associated with in-game chat and letting you know how to keep youngsters as safe as possible if or when they're exposed to this feature.

[Click the poster for more information](#)



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### Federation Safeguarding Team

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**Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility**

As a visitor or contractor to our school, you have a responsibility to report any concerns you may have about a child.  
If you are concerned about the safety or wellbeing of a child in school, you must report this to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) or the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL).

	
Mrs S Sanderson Executive Headteacher Designated Safeguarding Lead	Mrs A Bell-Walker Deputy Headteacher Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
<a href="mailto:headteacher@htceschools.co.uk">headteacher@htceschools.co.uk</a> 01765 602858	<a href="mailto:a.bellwalker@htceschools.co.uk">a.bellwalker@htceschools.co.uk</a> 01765 602858

*If you would like to speak to somebody immediately, please ask a member of the office staff to contact the DSL and / or DDSL.*  
*Direct contact can be made using the information above.*

If you are concerned about the safety or wellbeing of a child outside of school you must report this to North Yorkshire Safeguarding Board. If you are concerned that they are at immediate risk of harm, you should report this to the Police (999).  
You can also contact the NSPCC to report concerns or ask for advice.

 North Yorkshire Regional Council	<a href="http://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/">www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/</a> 01609 780 780
 NSPCC EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR	<a href="mailto:help@nspcc.org.uk">help@nspcc.org.uk</a> 0800 800 5000

The Federation's Safeguarding policy is available on the Policies page of the school website:  
[www.htceschools.co.uk](http://www.htceschools.co.uk)

### SEN

**SENDCo** Mrs Jane Penny is our school SENDCo. Mrs Penny is always happy to talk to parents about any worries or concerns you may have so please do not hesitate to contact her. If you wish to speak to Mrs Penny, please email [send@htceschools.co.uk](mailto:send@htceschools.co.uk).

Please note Mrs Penny's working days are Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.



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### Office & Community

**Arbor** If you have not been able to access the Arbor App or feel that you are not receiving school communications please email the school office so we can help.  
[admin@htceschools.co.uk](mailto:admin@htceschools.co.uk).

**Parentpay** Please can Parentpay accounts be credited prior to their child having school lunches. Accounts should be topped up to cover the cost of all school lunches taken unless you are in receipt of Free school meals. Those that are new to the school or those that have moved up to Juniors, will have received an activation letter. If you have not received a letter or you are having difficulty accessing the system, please contact the school office.

## **Squiggles is back!**

**the art and craft club for children**

**at Ripon Workhouse Museum every Monday during  
term time, 4:30 to 6 pm, £2.00 per session**

**We are currently doing leatherwork with Andy Bates from  
the BBC's 'Make it at Market'**



**For more details message Andy at [andy.bates@riponmuseums.co.uk](mailto:andy.bates@riponmuseums.co.uk) or  
just come along!**



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YEAR 3 TO YEAR 6 - PLACES FROM APRIL 2024



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## Holy Trinity Church



### ☑ Daily Morning Prayer - Zoom

📅 Mon Oct 7, 2024

🕒 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM

📺 Online - Zoom



### Little Fishes

📅 Mon Oct 7, 2024

🕒 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

📍 Rooms 1 & 2



### Renew Ripon

📅 Mon Oct 7, 2024

🕒 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

📍 Holy Trinity Church - Coffee Area



### St John Ambulance

📅 Mon Oct 7, 2024

🕒 5:15 PM - 8:00 PM

📍 Rooms 1 & 2



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### Breakfast Club

- 📅 Tue Oct 8, 2024
- 🕒 8:10 AM - 9:00 AM
- 📍 Holy Trinity Church - Arches



### Lydia Prayer Group

- 📅 Tue Oct 8, 2024
- 🕒 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
- 📍 Tower Room



### Tuesday Prayer Group

- 📅 Tue Oct 8, 2024
- 🕒 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- 📍 Holy Trinity Church - Room 3



### Renew Ripon

- 📅 Tue Oct 8, 2024
- 🕒 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
- 📍 Holy Trinity Church - Room 4



### Drum2Fitness

- 📅 Wed Oct 9, 2024
- 🕒 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
- 📍 Holy Trinity Church - Room 1



### BOOST All Stars

- 📅 Wed Oct 9, 2024
- 🕒 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
- 📍 Holy Trinity Church - Arches



### Drum2Fitness

- 📅 Wed Oct 9, 2024
- 🕒 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM
- 📍 Holy Trinity Church - Room 1



### Hope Explored

- 📅 Wed Oct 9, 2024
- 🕒 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
- 📍 Holy Trinity Church Room 1 and 2



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### College Road Fellowship Group

Wed Oct 9, 2024

7:30 PM - 9:00 PM

College Road Area



### Holy Communion

#### Thursday Holy Communion

Thu Oct 10, 2024

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Holy Trinity Church - Room 3



### National Filling Station Conference in 2024

Thu Oct 10, 2024 1:00 PM → Oct 12, 2024 4:00 PM

Holy Trinity Church



### 10.30 Holy Communion

Sun Oct 13, 2024

10:30 AM - 11:45 AM

Holy Trinity Church - Nave