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## Newsletter

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### Our theme in Collective Worship is Joy!

Christian joy is a gift from God. Christian joy is a good feeling in the soul, produced by the Holy Spirit, as he causes us to see the beauty of Christ in the word and in the world. The gospels tell us that joy is an awareness of God's goodness and love and an expression of trust in him. 'Rejoice with those who rejoice' Romans 12.15. This week in collective worship we explored what gives us joy! We focused on the joy that Jesus brought as light of the world as told by John 8.12. Rev Chris led worship in the junior school and talked to the children about the joy in an ordinary day. The Worship Warriors have written a new school prayer – this was also shared in Collective Worships this week.

### Diary Dates

#### Autumn 2024

**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

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November** Individual school photographs

**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,

#### Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Harvest Festival collection. Our Worship Warriors led our Harvest service with help from Rev Chris, Rev Michelle and Matt. Matt and Rev Chris made pizza to show how far our pizza travels around the world before it lands on our table! Graham from the Salvation Army used huge chopsticks to demonstrate how we should all work together to feed each other! Graham gratefully accepted our Harvest gifts on behalf of his team.



#### Wonderful Weardale

Well, what a wonderful time Year 6 had at Weardale Activity Centre last week! Setting off on a damp, dismal Wednesday morning, the wet weather certainly did not dampen spirits at all as the children sang and chatted excitedly aboard their coaches! It was music to Mrs Knight's ears! Arriving to a much-needed lunch and the cosiness of our dorms, we couldn't believe that incredibly, our beds had been made for us! Whilst there, our children excelled in their behaviour doing the school and their parents proud. Their courage and resilience during all activities (from canoeing to archery, high ropes to crate stacking) was admirable.

Well done Year 6 - special memories have been made for a lifetime.



Next week, we will hold a special assembly for Y6 children and their parents on Thursday 24th October at 2.45pm. This will be a chance to hear about what the children got up to, celebrate their achievements and take a look at some photos of their experience. We look forward to welcoming lots of Year 6 parents then.

A huge thank you to the staff who volunteered their time to take the children away. Mrs Gomes, Mrs Knight, Mrs Hewitt, Mrs Stow, Miss Grayson and Matt had a fabulous time and thoroughly enjoyed their adventure with the the group!



#### Phonics Parent Workshop

Next Thursday, 24th October, we are holding a phonic information event for parents, designed to give you a good understanding of the approaches used in school. The event will begin in the Infant School hall at 9:15am, with a presentation explaining how phonics and early reading are taught in EYFS and KS1, and will be followed by lessons in each of the Infant classrooms where you will be able to watch your child participating in a typical daily phonics lesson. The workshop is tailored to parents of Infant pupils, but any interested parents are very welcome to attend. The session will conclude at 10:15am. We are very much looking forward to welcoming you into school!



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### Netball

Well done to our fabulous netballers! They took part in the Sporting Influence Netball Festival hosted at Outwood, Ripon. Our team competed against a number of different schools in the area and gave it 100% in the pouring rain. A great effort by all and a huge thank you to Mrs Evans and Mrs Maher for accompanying them and being their cheerleaders.



### Marathon Day!

On Sunday, the Yorkshire Marathon is taking place in York. At Holy Trinity we decided to come together with a shared goal of completing the same distance. From Reception up to Year 6, children took part in covering a distance of either 50m, 100m or 200m to collectively run 43,000m. The School Ambassadors were fantastic; the encouragement, organisation and celebration of each child that took part was wonderful to see. Hearing the cheers from the pupils for their peers was incredible and the joy and excitement was felt by all. Well done Team Trinity!



### Hello Yellow & Jeans for Genes

Thank you for all your donations towards two fantastic charities! We raised £155 for the Young Minds charity on Hello Yellow day and £190 for our Jeans for Genes day.

### Health & Safety PE Reminder

National Guidance states that jewellery of any kind (including earrings and ear studs) should be removed for Physical Education lessons because of the danger of injury to the wearer and/or other pupils in the class. The current guidance states:

It is not safe to cover earrings/studs/sleepers with tape. The reason is both because of the potential tearing of the ear lobe, but also the chance that the post of the earring could damage the neck which is where the brachial nerve is running directly to the brain.

Jewellery does stretch to watches, including smartwatches. Bracelets worn for religious grounds should be covered by wristbands throughout PE. Children should be able to remove their jewellery before a P.E. lesson. Where this is not possible, parents should remove any jewellery prior to attending school when P.E. activities take place. If children do attend with jewellery on and cannot remove it, the staff member should amend the task to ensure participation is safe for the individual. Where safe participation cannot be assured then the pupil cannot take part in that element of the lesson. Staff are not to remove any child's jewellery.

### Hair

Long hair can impair vision and cause injury to the eyes if it contacts others. All long hair (hair which reaches the shoulders) is to be tied or held back. If the hair is not long enough to tie back, but the fringe is long and can impair vision, then it should be held back in place with a headband.

Wishing everyone a wonderful half term!

Regards

*Sue Sanderson*

Executive Headteacher



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### Safeguarding

#### Horror Films and Age Ratings

**What Parents & Educators Need to Know about HORROR FILMS & AGE RATINGS**

The occasional availability of streaming platforms in many homes creates opportunities for young viewers to be exposed to age-inappropriate content. Material which features horror or violence can cause anxiety and nightmares for children, especially since it can be hard for young ones to grasp that what they're watching isn't real.

**CLASSIFICATION BREAKDOWN**

The British Board of Film Classification has the following age ratings:

- U** Suitable for all ages
- PG** For children aged 8 and above, this content requires parental supervision
- PG-13** Children under the age of 13 should not watch without an adult. This content potentially contains bad language, mild or sexual violence, and some scary images
- R** Suitable only for 16 years and older audiences
- 18** Exclusively for an adult audience, with prominent graphic violence or sexual violence

**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**

**STREAMING IS EVERYWHERE**

Modern mobile devices make it very easy for children to watch content on their own devices. For a PC, the availability of inappropriate content has increased significantly. Many streaming services allow an adult to limit content, or restrict what is accessible to children. However, these services are not foolproof and children can often find their way around them.

**FACT VS. FICTION**

Children may not be able to distinguish between fact and fiction. It is important to ensure that children understand that what they are watching is not real. This can be done by discussing the content with them and explaining that it is just a story.

**PEER PRESSURE**

Friends encouraging each other to watch the latest film featuring violence or horror can lead to distress. Children should be encouraged to talk to their parents if they are feeling pressured to watch something they don't want to.

**CHILDREN SCARE DIFFERENTLY**

It can be difficult to see the whole picture of a child's experience when they are watching a film. Some children may be particularly sensitive to certain elements, such as loud noises or bright colors. It is important to be aware of your child's individual sensitivities and to provide support if they are feeling scared.

**PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACTS**

Recent studies have shown that exposure to horror content can lead to increased anxiety and fear. This is particularly true for children who are already experiencing mental health issues. It is important to be aware of the potential psychological impacts of horror content and to provide support if needed.

**Advice for Parents & Educators**

**WATCH THE FILM FIRST**

It is important to watch the film first to ensure that it is appropriate for the child's age and maturity. This can be done by watching the film yourself or by asking a friend or family member to do so.

**REMEMBER - IT'S NOT REAL**

It is important to ensure that children understand that what they are watching is not real. This can be done by discussing the content with them and explaining that it is just a story.

**DISCUSS THE CONTENT OF FILMS**

It is important to discuss the content of films with children to ensure that they understand what they are watching. This can be done by talking to them about the film and asking them questions about it.

**USE PARENTAL CONTROLS**

Most streaming platforms have the option to put age ratings on children's accounts. This means that they can only watch content that is appropriate for their age. It is important to use these controls to ensure that children are not exposed to inappropriate content.

**Meet Our Expert**

John Taylor is an assistant principal at a secondary school. He has been involved with the National College for the past 10 years, working on a range of projects related to safeguarding and child protection. He is currently working on a project to improve the school's safeguarding policies and procedures.

**Wake Up Wednesday**



**The National College**


Source: See full resource for an guide page at <https://www.htceschools.co.uk>

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Ofcom's latest Media Use and Attitudes Report states that most children can watch streamed films on a mobile device both in and out of the home, with 80% of UK children watching films on phones, tablets or

laptops.   That's a lot of youngsters who might be using their own gadgets to watch something

suitably spooky this Halloween season  or perhaps, something a little too frightening.

With older children in particular, it can be difficult knowing how to manage their increasing interest in more mature content – including horror films, in many cases – let alone knowing how best to safeguard them from inappropriate material. This guide offers expert advice not only on the risks of exposure to horror films and other potentially upsetting content, but also on preventing young viewers from seeing this material or protecting them from being too deeply affected by it if they do.



### Federation Safeguarding Team

**The Federation of Holy Trinity Church of England Schools**

**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.

	<a href="http://www.ny.safeguarding.northyorks.gov.uk/">www.ny.safeguarding.northyorks.gov.uk/</a> 01609 780 780
	<a href="http://nspcc.org.uk">nspcc.org.uk</a> 0800 800 5000

EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

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



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### 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.

I have continued to enjoy getting to know so many of the children and families that I work closely with over my first few weeks as SENDCo. It is always great to meet with parents as they know their children best and can offer valuable insights and information to help us to provide the best possible support for our pupils in school so please do get in touch if you haven't already done so or if you have any worries or concerns.

I will be holding a **SEN coffee morning** on the morning of **Wednesday 13th November** between 9 and 11 am and any parents of children on our SEN register, or if you have any worries about your child, would be very welcome to pop in - there may even be biscuits! Additionally, I will be available during parents' evenings to discuss Provision Maps which will have been updated by then and shared with you. I am of course available via email or phone call in the meantime and am happy to meet in person should you wish to discuss anything with me.

SENDIASS offer brilliant support for parents with all things SEND and are very approachable and understanding of the difficulties faced by any parent or carer of a child with special educational needs.

<https://sendiassnorthyorkshire.co.uk/information-and-advice/parents-carers/>

### Office & Community

#### Starting primary school 2025

Please find attached the Starting Primary School [admissions letter](#) for prospective parent/carers who have a child who is due to start in Reception in September 2025 advising them how to apply.

The key dates to note are:

**15 January 2025** - the deadline to apply for a primary school place.

**16 April 2025** - National Offer Day, primary school places are allocated on this day.

#### Year 2 children transferring to Year 3 2025

Please [click here](#) to view a letter to parents/carers of Year 2 children who are due to transfer to Year 3 at a Junior school in September 2025. The application round opened on 12 October 2024 and the letter provides a link to the admissions area of the North Yorkshire County Council website where all of the information you need to apply electronically is available.



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**A message from the PTA** We are requesting Christmas outfit donations which need to be handed in by Friday 15th November for a Christmas Sale the following week. If anyone has any Christmas outfits (jumpers, Christmas fancy dress, Santa hats etc.) they would like to donate to our Christmas clothes stall please drop of your items at the school offices.

We will be holding a bake sale at both schools, donations of baked goods are welcomed. These can be brought into the school office next week.

**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.




RIPON Cathedral



Join us this Autumn

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October  
10.30am – 12pm

During October half-term join us for a fun and creative children's activity morning with an Olympic theme!

Everyone is welcome. Price per child is £3, which includes all craft materials and refreshments.

To book your place and for further info please email [BethWickenden@riponcathedral.org.uk](mailto:BethWickenden@riponcathedral.org.uk)

RIPONCATHEDRAL.ORG.UK



Fundraising for Christian Aid

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2024  
7pm Holy Trinity Church

CHRISTIAN AID CONCERT

Featuring Young Performers from  
Holy Trinity Primary, Queen Mary's and Ripon Grammar

Also Ripon City Training band.

Tickets £10 Children under 12 free

To Book Scan QR code or 07989484129, or 07785228462

Cathedral Bookshop or Holy Trinity Office

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### FOOTBALL HOLIDAY CAMP OCT HALF TERM

28th-30th Oct 2024

FUN GAMES  
PROFESSIONAL SESSIONS  
TOURNAMENTS  
PRIZES

Each child will require;

- Packed lunch and water bottle
- Warm wear weather dependant
- shin pads (a must!)
- Preferably football boots, not mandatory



**£20 Per day**

LOCATION HOLY TRINITY  
PRIMARY SCHOOL 9am-3pm

More Info Call:

**07535 042843**

How do I book you ask?

Use the link provided to book your slot(s)

email [info@jdfootballacademy.co.uk](mailto:info@jdfootballacademy.co.uk) socials @jdfootba



- BOROUGHBDRIDGE HIGH
- THURSDAY 31st OCTOBER
- AGES 4 TO 6YRS - 10AM TIL 12PM
- AGES 7 TO 16YRS - 10AM TIL 3PM
- £10 MORNING / £25 DAY

Come & join us for a SPOOKY & fun day of netball. Prizes for the best Halloween active outfits & workers of the day available!





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## Holy Trinity Church



### 9.00 am Holy Communion

📅 Sun Oct 20, 2024  
🕒 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church



### Being Restored

📅 Sun Oct 20, 2024  
🕒 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church - Arches



### Breakfast

📅 Sun Oct 20, 2024  
🕒 10:00 AM - 10:25 AM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church - Arches



### ☑️ Daily Morning Prayer - Zoom

📅 Mon Oct 21, 2024  
🕒 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM  
📍 Online - Zoom



### 10.30 All Together Worship

📅 Sun Oct 20, 2024  
🕒 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church - Nave



### Little Fishes

📅 Mon Oct 21, 2024  
🕒 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
📍 Rooms 1 & 2



### ☑️ Walk & Talk/Stay & Say

📅 Sun Oct 20, 2024  
🕒 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church



### Renew Ripon

📅 Mon Oct 21, 2024  
🕒 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church - Coffee Area