

THE PREP WEEKLY ★

Friday, 9th January, 2026



A message from Mrs Hughes

Happy New Year to you all. I hope you all had a fantastic Christmas break whether you were off skiing in the mountains, catching the sun somewhere hot or closer by enjoying the lovely winter sunshine we had here. It has been lovely hearing from the children about the great time they had and memories they made.

They have all come back with enthusiasm and a thirst for learning too it seems from reading all the class teachers' entries in this edition! I have been super impressed with seeing the drive for reading being maintained with many children sharing how much they read over the holidays and their passion for improving and reaching their personal targets this term!

We had a visit in KS1 from a real life Knight as part of their topic which was very much enjoyed! Our KS2 children have had a great start to Sport by beginning Football and Netball ready for games and fixtures this term.

It has been especially cold this week but the children have shown resilience by playing outdoors and wrapping up warm, our fabulous catering team are ensuring they all enjoy a wonderful hot meal and desert each day too- please remember to update any allergy information as soon as you as our team are fantastic at adapting to everyones needs.

It has been great to see the children enjoy our new range of after school clubs that are on offer this term- what lucky children! I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

The Week Ahead! ★

Monday 12th

- no events

Tuesday 13th

- no events

Wednesday 14th

- U11 Netball vs Stover @Trinity, 2pm. All girls in P5/6 involved (all welcome)

Thursday 15th

- no events

Friday 16th

- no events

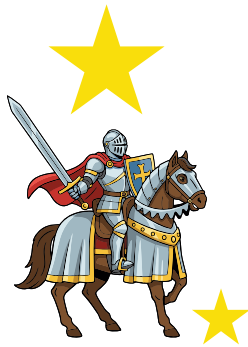


Sir Walter Hungerford!

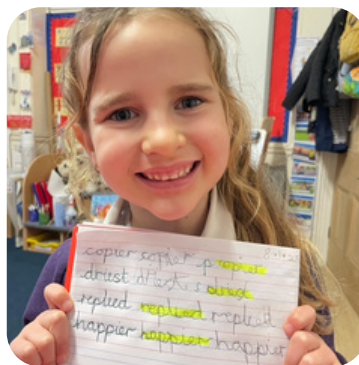
KS1 enjoyed a special visitor to kick start their new topic this term! Sir Walter Hungerford came to Trinity to share their morning with stories, answer questions and showing the amazing equipment he had!

There was early mail armour, with all the layers underneath, weapons - swords, mace, battle axes and the very popular big sword.

He put on his plate armour and discussed the Hungerford heraldry on his shield and flag. The children were fascinated throughout and asked some amazing questions.



Prep Life!





TRINITY



Welcome to Trinity!

We would like to give a warm welcome to Miss Vallejo and Chiara who have joined Trinity this term.

Miss Vallejo is a qualified teacher from Colombia and will be running Maths sessions with groups of children throughout the week (bottom picture)

Chiara is a French student who will be supporting KS1 primarily each morning and across Prep in clubs and playtimes (top picture)

They are both settling in quickly and the children are enjoying getting to know them.

New Pupils Welcome

We also warmly welcome Helena, Terry and Jerry who join us from Korea for this term.

They are settling in brilliantly with Trinity pupils making them feel part of our lovely school.





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WOW!

**Workers of
the Week**

**Jerry
India
Terry
Florence
Jess
George**

**House Point
Winners...
Luscombe!**



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Around the classes

The Lodge By Mrs Bryant

This week the children have enjoyed reading *The Gruffalo*. In a tuff tray we set up a small world filled with brown and green oats, small logs, acorns and leaves. We also had characters from the book where the children could explore and play out the story. Following on from this we designed our own Gruffalo using different materials to explore textures. These included felt, tissue paper, wool and foam. We also made Gruffalo paws using rice crispies, chocolate, golden syrup and raisins.



The Stables by Mrs Wray-Chance

We have had a very wonderful Wintery first week back at nursery! We have been talking about Winter weather, going for a frosty and crunchy walk to Forest School, finding different arctic animals in our sensory tray, using different media and materials in the glittery winter white play dough, building a village in a snowy tuff tray and decorating melted snowman cakes for a yummy treat! What a busy start to January



Reception By Mrs Broom

Reception wanted to tell everyone about their dough disco. We sometimes do a dough disco in the morning to help get our fingers, hands and arms ready for writing. The dough disco movements really help build our muscles needed for writing and is a really fun start to the day!



Around the classes

Prep 1

By Mrs May

Prep Two are exploring Shape this week in Numeracy. They have been naming and describing the properties of simple 2D and 3D shapes and have created pictures, patterns, and models with them.



Prep 2

By Mrs Miller



Prep 2 have come back enthusiastic after the Christmas holidays! They have certainly got stuck in to their reading with Star tests, quizzes, comprehensions and bags of energy for exploring the range of exciting book we have. Long may it continue- well done Prep 2!



Prep 3

By Mrs Young

This week in English Prep 3 have been learning about inverted commas. The class highlighted direct speech and the reporting clauses in a piece of text, the children then enjoyed some role play activities, which enabled them to create their own written dialogue. Super work Prep 3!

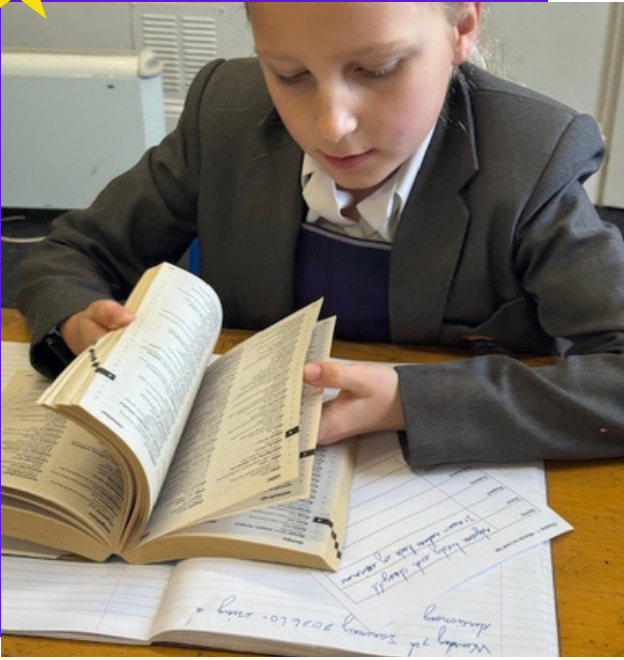


Around the classes

Prep 4

By Mrs Hughes

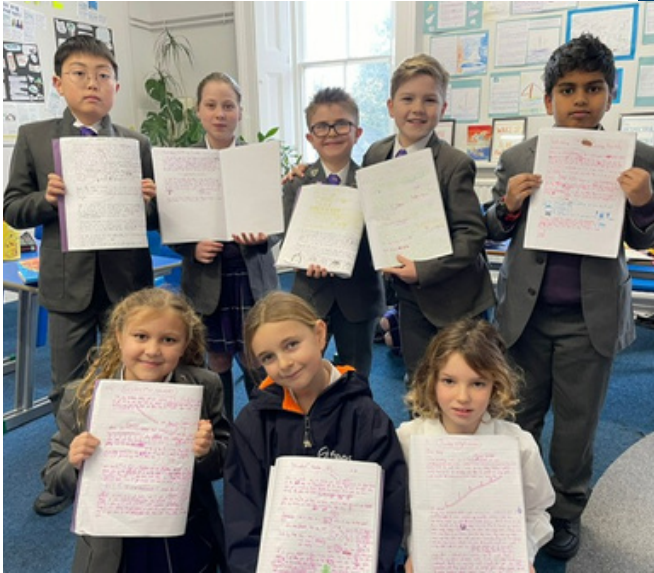
Our term has started with adventure as we have begun reading the wonderful story of Edward Tulane. This book is full of adventure, friendship, resilience, hope and love and has some very adventurous language too! The class have enjoyed the challenge of using dictionaries to find definitions of new words- a fading skill! It was not always easy but Prep 4 love a challenge and were super focused and have even promised to use some of this new vocabulary in their writing this term!



Prep 5

By Mrs Sutton

We have had a great start to the term in Prep 5. It has been lovely to see everyone returning to school so happy and ready to learn. We have also welcomed our visiting pupil, Terry, who has joined us from Korea for the first half of term! I have been really impressed with everyone's work on fractions this week: being able to find equivalent fractions and convert quickly between improper fractions and mixed numbers is a tricky skill, but Prep 5 have been doing amazingly. In English, they have had great fun writing a diary entry about one day in their Christmas holidays. We took our inspiration from the Tom Gates books and the results are wonderfully creative!



Prep 6 by Carys

In Science this week we were learning about living organisms. We talked about the 7 things all living organisms do. We looked at how we can group different living things based on their observable characteristics and listed the observable characteristics of a lizard and a chameleon.

