As many of you know our junior library has been transformed into something magical. Mrs Sharp (a really good teacher and the reading expert) has had the goal to encourage children to read more often and the Kingfisher Frenzy team all agree that it this is going according to plan. With PTA fundraising money, the school has been able to afford new equipment and technology to inspire young readers.

The first new feature made everyone squeal with excitement... a finger scanner. This very smart technology helps you scan a book in and out of the library and is programmed to identify your fingerprint. It is very clever.

The second feature is a marvellous website called “Reading Cloud.” This allows students to connect with friends and find books to read in the future. It also has fun activities such as a blog.

Last but not least the third feature, the new library itself. It has bookshelves that burst with colour, books that will blow your mind and most of all it has passion.

In case you are wondering how all this was achieved, it is thanks to the hard work of some amazing mums and many wonderful teachers. So, the Kingfisher team want to say, “Thank you!”

This year’s Holy Trinity Christmas fair was amazing. It was set up by the wonderful staff, PTA and the generous parents who have tried, and have succeeded, in making this fair the best we’ve had. They made sure everyone had as much fun as possible.

STALLS
There were many stalls all around the school such as the reptile area which was located in the ICT suite. Some of the many fascinating animals were spiders, snakes, lizards, chameleons and scorpions. The police even had their own stall in the hall which was where they gave out bells and advice for safety. The tombola and the ‘no-parents allowed’ stall were both very popular and were positioned in the infant area.

FOOD
The food was delicious and the people who helped were deeply thanked. There were hot dogs, burgers, cakes and all sorts of drinks.

CHOIR
We had our wonderful choir perform for us on the stage in the hall. This lifted up everybody’s spirits as all the Christmas songs were so enjoyable.
New Holy Trinity humans come into the world

Some of our encouraging and talented teachers have taken on the role of becoming a mother and father (an extremely important job). Let’s congratulate Mrs Brown and Mr Brown. These two new parents are loyal, inspiring and amazing to be around. They have recently added a new family member named Elsie-Olivia Brown, such a lovely name.

We interviewed the new daddy in town, Mr Brown. We asked what he enjoys most about being a father.

“I love warm cuddles,” he said.

We asked him whether he likes changing nappies.

He answered, “It isn’t too bad!”

Remembrance Day

An important nationwide celebration has recently taken place - Remembrance Day. This is held on the 11th November every year. At this event people pay their respects to soldiers and civilians who have died in wars and tragic times. In total we have lost over 50 million lives in various wars. Around the UK, a two-minute silence takes place at 11am to remember the soldiers. Poppies are worn as a symbol of respect and courage. Most likely every single person appreciates how they have sacrificed their unfortunate lives to rescue and fight for their country. Thank you soldiers for the effort you put in for us.

Heathrow Airport – New Runway

I am sure that you have all heard of Heathrow airport. It’s a place that is filled with excitement before you go on holiday. Heathrow managers and the government have been wanting to build a third runway. After many years of discussions, recently the third runway was approved but there is a lot of opposition. Our local MP - Zac Goldsmith - does not want a third runway to be built and decided to resign over this. He was not then re-elected as the Richmond MP.
Two years ago my family (Isabel, Emily, Ben, Anna and Andy Collier) had the incredible experience of travelling to New Zealand for Christmas and having a holiday in Australia also where we three children had an outstanding 8th birthday. In Australia we did many things such as going to Taronga Zoo, jetty jumping, swimming, making an ice cream cake for our birthday and, of course, going to the beach. We stayed in blazing hot Australia for around ten unforgettable days.

The two weeks we were in New Zealand were truly amazing. We stayed in several different places. New Zealand was all about travelling to see different relatives because my grandma is a New Zealander so all her family were over there. We also went on many boat rides, many car journeys and many horse and carriage rides. Some family and friends had speedboats or calm and relaxing boats. We also stayed with my sister’s godmother; she has a wooden cottage on a small mountain up in the clouds and fog. There were two bunkbeds and a sofa and a stove inside. The most exciting part is that there was an outside bath that was heated up by an outside store that warms the water.

We tasted many varieties of Australian and New Zealand food too.
Triplets Emily, Isabel and Ben Collier were welcomed into the world on 8th January 2006 weighing just 2lbs each. Their mum Anna had been rushed to Chelsea & Westminster hospital on 6th January where she managed to hang on to the babies for two days while the doctors pumped steroids into her to develop the babies' lungs. They were born prematurely at 29 weeks.

Thankfully they had 9 amazing nurses in the delivery room for each of them, helping them to survive. After many life and death situations in intensive care, on the 101st day of being in hospital their mum and dad, Anna and Andy, were able to take them home.

Anna and Andy wanted to help other sick and premature babies so set up a fund specifically for other babies to receive the best possible care when born sick or premature.

The Charity is called The 3 Little Miracles Fund and has bought life-saving equipment for sick and premature babies. By the end of 2009, the fund had raised £250,000 for the Chelsea & Westminster hospital where the triplet's lives were saved. Since then, the charity raised a further £100,000 for hospitals across the country.

Our Kingfisher Frenzy editor shares the story of her early life

As we all know, the renowned author, J.K. Rowling kicked off her career with the world-famous series of Harry Potter books. Then this summer she released the screenplay of Harry Potter and The Cursed Child, a real game-changer. Now she has amazed her fans once again with the release another astounding film, Fantastic Beasts, and Where to Find Them.

The year is 1926, and Newt Scamander (played by actor, Eddie Redmayne) has just completed a global voyage to find and note an extraordinary array of magical creatures. Arriving in New York for a brief visit, he might have come and gone without incident, were it not for a No-Maj (American for “muggle”) named Jacob, a misplaced magical case and the escape of some of Newt’s fantastic beasts, which could spell trouble for both the wizarding and No-Maj worlds.

It is an outstanding film and I’m really excited to read the screenplay as once again, Ms Rowling has surprised us. It has intensity, fear and tension and all of us enjoy it. She has an incredible and infinite imagination and hopefully her next seven books will be as good as all of these.
ANDY’S RISE TO GLORY

Almost anyone can accomplish what Andy Murray has, they just have to put as much effort as possible to achieve their dreams. He has inspired me to work for my dreams and tackle any obstacle I come up against, never to give up and always to believe and never to back down.

Born in Glasgow, Scotland on May 15th 1987, he’s only 29 years old. He began playing tennis at three years old and he and his brother, Jamie, were coached by his mother (a former tennis player herself), Judy. In March 1996, 8 year-old Andy was sitting in his classroom in Dunblane Primary School when an armed man by the name of Thomas Hamilton entered and shot and killed 17 people - 16 children and 1 teacher - before committing suicide by turning the gun on himself. Andy ran and took refuge in his headmaster’s office. However this tragedy has not stopped Andy fighting for his goal!

Murray won a major Youth Championship when he won the U.S. Florida’s Orange Bowl in his age group in 1999. In 2004 he became the number 1 junior player after winning the U.S. Open Junior title. Later that year he was awarded the BBC “Young Sports Personality of the Year”. After this he completed the Davis Cup and made his debut in 2005. In 2006, he got a new coach called Brad Gilbert. He beat Rodger Federer in round 2 of the Cincinnati Masters tournament. Also that year he beat Andy Roddick en route to win SAP Open for his first ATP title.

He came into the tennis spotlight when he defeated the Spanish sensation Rafael Nadal before losing to Rodger Federer. This terrific tennis player rose to World number 2 in 2009. He also finished runner-up at the Australian Open in both 2010 and 2011. In 2012, Andy managed to get into the Wimbledon final after a semi-final victory over Jo-Wilfred Tsonga. His victory made Scotland and the UK very proud (he was the first tennis professional from Team GB to reach the final since 1938). However, Murray lost to Federer again in the final who claimed his 7th Wimbledon win. He avenged his loss at Wimbledon later that year at the London Olympics when he hammered Federer taking his first Olympic gold.

That September, Andy managed an impressive victory over Novak Djokovic in a tough 5 set match to clinch his first Grand Slam title, becoming the first player from Team GB since 1979 and the first British man since 1936 to win a Grand Slam singles tournament. After losing to Djokovic at the 2013 Australian Open, Murray made history that summer by defeating the Serbian player to claim the Wimbledon men’s single championships. He was the first British male in 77 years to win the competition since Harold Mahony in 1896.

This sensational Scott started the 2016 season on a high, advancing to the Australian Open before suffering a frustrating defeat against his nemesis Djokovic. He claimed the Italian Open title in May, and then sustained his high-level play throughout the French Open. With his semi-final win over defending champion Stan Wawrinka, Murray became the first British player to reach the French Open title since 1937. However his bid to add another Grand Slam title fell short when he wound up on the losing end of a blistering Djokovic onslaught once again.

In July 2016, Murray advanced to the semi-final at Wimbledon after defeating Jo-Wilfred Tsonga. In the final he beat Milos Raonic, the first Canadian to reach a Wimbledon final. The victory was Murray’s 3rd Grand Slam title. The following month Andy continued his sterling play by defeating Argentina’s Juan Martin del Potro at the Rio Olympic games, making him the first male tennis player to successfully defend their Olympic title. He ends this year ranked as World No. 1 tennis player.

In his personal life, in April 2015 Murray married Kim Sears at Dunblane cathedral. They now have a baby.

THE OLYMPIC GAMES

The history of the Olympics started in ancient Greece, in honour of the god Zeus. Up until this day it has been held every four years, even through wars and hard times there has still been an event for everyone. In the old days women were not allowed to compete. Eventually women’s rights were changed and they compete equally.

As you all know the Olympic Games this year were held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from the 5 August to the 21 August 2016. Team GB came 2nd in the medals table - yay! In addition to the Olympics there are the Paralympics straight afterwards, they are also very important and many nations watch it on TV.

SPRINTING

Sprinting is a major Olympic sport and Usain Bolt is the king of it, he has won 6 Olympic gold medals and he is only 30 years old. He is one of the best runners in the world. He has broken many Olympic records and he is a legend. Long-distance running can be very tiring but it is an amazing thing to be able to do. Britain’s Mo Farah is probably the best long distance runner in the world.

SWIMMING

Swimming is a very hard sport, you need to be flexible and strong. You need to train for many years and even then you might not be good enough for the Olympics. It is a nice hobby because it helps you keep healthy and it is fun.

HORSE RIDING

We won lots of medals in the Paralympics for this popular sport as we had a very strong team of Paralympians. Nick Skelton has been riding for four years in the main Olympic Games. He has trained and trained and finally won his own independent Olympic gold medal and he had been injured for a little while so he had to catch up. His adored horse is called Big Star and it was also injured.

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The Best Thanksgiving Meatballs

**Ingredients**
- 115g dry stuffing
- 250ml turkey or chicken stock
- 500g minced turkey
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 medium apple, peeled, cored and finely chopped
- 15ml lemon juice
- 2 celery sticks from the heart, finely chopped
- 1 small onion or 1/2 medium onion, finely chopped
- 1 tbsp. poultry seasoning

**For the Sauce**
- 250g mushrooms, thinly sliced
- A few sprigs fresh thyme, leaves stripped and chopped
- 30g butter
- 500ml turkey or chicken stock
- 30g plain flour
- 15ml Worcestershire sauce
- 125ml cream

**Method**
1) Preheat the oven to 200 degrees C.
2) Soak stuffing with about 250ml stock in small bowl until softened, a couple of minutes.
3) Place turkey in mixing bowl and season with salt and pepper. Add apple, lemon juice, celery, onion, poultry seasoning, egg and stuffing and mix until just combined.
4) Line a baking tray with baking paper. Form meat mixture into 16 (5cm) balls, drizzle with some olive oil and roast until cooked through, firm and golden, about 12 minutes.

**For the sauce**
1) While meatballs roast, heat a couple of tbsp. of olive oil in large pan, add mushrooms and thyme and cook over medium-high heat until tender and season with salt and pepper.
2) Make a well in the centre of the pan, add the butter, and when melted, whisk in the flour. Cook for 1 minute then whisk in about 500ml stock and Worcestershire sauce. Reduce heat to low and cook for a few minutes to thicken the sauce, then stir in cream.
The run up to Christmas has been quite an excitement so far, however there are a few more days left of advent. You may know that BBC TV’s Great British Bake Off finished shortly before the October half term and Candice took a close win against Andrew. The Year 6 Leopard Class reps, the wonderful Anna Collier and Caroline Bullock, came up with the idea of bringing Bake Off to Holy Trinity. On 11th November 2016, Lions and Leopards battled it out to see who the master bakers were. They kept on going and going, until the time was up. Money was being counted, and the air was tense up till the last second when Leopards dramatically won. Everyone enjoyed themselves and that is what really mattered.

We interviewed both Year 6 class teachers about how they felt and if there were future plans for HT Bake Off and found some surprising results.

According to Mr Auton, Lion Teacher, the results may have been altered by Mr Hambling, therefore he felt dubious and doubtful about the outcome. Mr. Hambling, on the other hand, stated that his class, Leopards, deserved the win as their cakes were bright, colourful and most importantly, delicious. The rematch will be held in January shortly after Lion’s assembly. Both teachers are confident their classes will do brilliantly. It is still a bit hazy as to whether the HT Bake Off will continue or cease in future years.
1. Before Santa Claus wore the colour red what colour was his clothing?
2. Where does Santa Claus live?
3. What animal is Santa Claus most likely to encounter apart from reindeer?
4. If Santa travels around the world in one night assuming he doesn’t stop how fast does he travel?
5. Who played the Grinch in the 2000 film of The Grinch?
6. In the Christmas song Jingle Bells, how many horses pulled the sleigh?

ANSWERS: 1) Green, 2) North pole, 3) Polar bears, 4) 1,800 miles per second, 5) Jim Carrey, 6) 1 horse

Try these simply Holy Trinity Christmas anagrams and work out what these jumbled up words actually say!

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Can you find the following words hidden in these letters? Remember to look in any direction!

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