

HOLY TRINITY NEWSLETTER



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'Christmas activities reminder edition' November 2023



Reading We would love to invite Mums, Dads and Grandparents to spare 5– 20 minutes at the start of every Wednesday morning to stay and hear the children read. The children will really enjoy it and their reading progress will be so much greater when they read regularly with an adult. Please do stay behind to help.

Maths morning We would love to invite you into school every Friday until 9.00am to enjoy a short burst of maths fun with your child.

Coats, hat, scarves and gloves

It's very chilly now :- (please can you make sure your child/ren have their coat, hat, scarf and gloves with them in school. Please can you label all of these items—remember things with names on don't go missing! We still have a huge pile of red jumpers in school—please come and find your child's lost top and then pop their name in it!



We have lots of things coming up over the next few weeks for Christmas:

EYFS Christmas Carols and Songs Thursday 14th December

Classes 1 and 2 are inviting their parents and families into school to hear their wonderful songs and carols to begin our Christmas celebrations. Please come into school for a 9.15am start :-)

Christmas Jumper day Thursday 14th December

The children can come to school on Thursday 14th December in their Christmas Jumpers and 'pay' with a tin for us to donate to the local food banks to support them over the Christmas period. If you can find more than one tin, please do send them in :-)

Christmas Lucky Bag Monday 18th December

It's that magical time of year again... This year we will be inviting you to take part in filling our Christmas Lucky Bags again – they were such a huge hit last year with the children! **Lucky bags were sent out on Monday 27th November.** We would like the children to fill their paper bag with £1 or £2s worth of unisex goodies, which will be sold on the playground at the end of the day on Monday 18th December. The bags can be filled with, small toys, sweets, chocolate, snacks and treats. (Please add no products containing nuts and small toys must be for age 3+)

Everyone who buys a bag will walk away with goodies that will help us raise money for much needed resources for the school. **Bags need to be returned to school no later than Thursday 14th December.** We would love to see your Christmas Lucky Bags decorated, perhaps with some Christmas stickers or tinsel or drawings. Thank you all so much.

Breakfast with Santa Tuesday 19th December

We would like the children to join us for a festive start to the day with hot chocolate, ginger bread biscuits and toast whilst Santa pops in to say hello too. Please book on ParentMail through the Registers option, selecting Breakfast Club and Tuesday 19th December. **Please book by Friday 15th December to allow time for food and provisions to be bought.**

KS1 Nativity at the Riverside Church

Classes 3 and 4 would like to invite their families to watch their Nativity at the Riverside Church on Thursday 21st December at 9.15am. Please bring the children to the church for 8.55am.

Christmas Lunch

Our Christmas lunch will be on Wednesday 20th December. Please make sure you complete an order form on Parentmail, this has been accessible since Friday 24th November, and have sufficient funds on your child's dinner account if they wish to join us. Please make sure you have your orders in by Monday 11th December.

Jumping Clay activities will take place throughout the two weeks.

A little gift from school :-)

Class 2-8 are all visiting the Brewhouse Theatre to watch **The Christmas Toy Story Mystery** Please make payments on ParentMail as soon as possible if you have forgotten to buy your child's ticket. Thank you

Our final day is Thursday 21st December 2023 the children can come in Christmas non-uniform for the day and pay £1 on ParentMail, use the Payments option, or by cash to help support school with much needed resources.

Parking As you all know, parking around school is very limited; like most schools in the country! Despite trying to find local parking with our neighbours and their businesses around us we have been unable to source any spaces in the area. Most are privately owned and do not want parents parking for the short amount of time they need to drop off and collect children in. Sadly, this is sometimes due to past unacceptable behaviour from a small group of parents.

Please note there are new signs and areas where fining may take place around school. I wouldn't want anyone to be fined in the run up to Christmas. If any of you have any contacts near by that we could approach please let me know on the gates for me to get in touch. Thank you **We look forward to seeing you in and around school over the next few weeks.**

Mrs Oliphant & the
Staff of Holy Trinity

Aspire to be more...

Names for Future Place

We are updating our lists for September 2024 and 2025.

If you have a pre-nursery child you wish to have a place here, please let us know, even if you think their name is already down. If we don't have names on our list you may miss out on invitations to our open sessions. Thank you.



Let's try to get all of our children in school on time!! Please remember that the children need to be ready to come in only a few minutes before 8.40am or 8.50am Please do not arrive any earlier than your allocated time slot.

Our school motto is 'Aspire to be more, not to have more!' Linking in with the theme of 'Aspire to be more...'

Our values are:

Koinonia

Love

(this half term's value)

Honesty

Forgiveness

Dedication

Courage

these will be intertwined in our school life through out the day. Please encourage the children to think about these values and as I'm sure you will always help them to Aspire to be more.... :-)

Let's get those first orange badges out to the children — we are very proud of the effort and pleasure the children are showing us in their reading—thank you, as always, for supporting them. Remember, if you can take 10 minutes out of your day to read with your child and sign their reading records it counts as a read for that day—**one read per day, reading recorded at school counts too!!**



Please join us every Wednesday morning for Parent Reading and Friday for maths with your children from drop off until 9am. It's been great having you all back in the building :-)