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Wednesday 4th September 2024
Dear Parents/Carers,

A warm welcome back to school to all of you; I hope you had a wonderful summer break (albeit a little sunny and showery ;-).

It was a pleasure to have the children back in school with us today and to hear about some of their adventures that they've had over the summer holidays ☺

I hope you can see that we have been busy over the summer holidays! Our new gates are working brilliantly (on both sides ☺), the hall floor is shiny and sparkling, a fabulous stage area has been built in the playground for Opal Play times and we have had an alteration to our Nursery FS1 classroom. It now has a new changing room for nappy changes, new flooring and has been flipped around – it looks amazing and will support our growing numbers of children aged 2 to 4 who are with us each day ☺

The staff have all worked extremely hard over the summer holidays to get the playground and classrooms ready for us to have an amazing start to the new school year. I can't thank them all enough for their time, care and passion to do this in their well-deserved holiday time.

It therefore makes it all the worthwhile and encouraging for the start to the new school year to see the children so ready for the new term. As is always the case, it takes a while for new routines and systems to become established but I am sure within a few days, the children will be fully settled and used to their new surroundings and adults they are working with. It has also been lovely to welcome our new children into Class 1 and 2 (FS1 Nursery and FS2 Reception) today – again lots of excited and happy children. We are thrilled that they are now part of our Holy Trinity family.

I have attached the date sheet with as much information as we have currently for you; we look forward to seeing you join us for our assemblies, services and celebrations over the year.

Wrap around care

Our wrap around care (before and after school club) are still in place. breakfast Club opened this morning and After School Club will open on Monday 9th September until 5pm each day. These services are run by our school staff and need to be paid for in advance – due to school funding them to operate and also for safeguarding reasons in light of us knowing who should be on site when. The cost of these sessions are:

Breakfast club	£4.50	Sibling discounted place: £3.50
After school club	£6.00	Sibling discounted place: £4.00

As we run this facility with our own staff there are some sessions of after school care which I require to close to allow training to be delivered to every staff member. Currently, after school club will be closed for the following sessions due to training:-

Wednesday 11th September
Wednesday 18th September
Wednesday 16th October
Friday 25th October





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Tuesday 19th November
Friday 6th December
Thursday 19th December
Friday 20th December

School Hot Dog night
Christmas disco night

SCHOOL CLOSED INSET DAY

If there are any further session of closure, I will inform you as soon as I possibly can.

Please remember if you are late collecting your child from school (more than 10 minutes late), they will be added safely to our After School Club wrap around care – this will incur a full charge for the session of £6.

If you are late collecting your child from After School Club charges will be incurred. At 5.05pm a full charge will be added of £6 per child (no sibling discounts will be given) and a £3 charge will be incurred for per child for every 5 minutes after this time.

Parent Reading & maths mornings... to begin on Wednesday 11th and Friday 13th September

We would love to invite you into school every Wednesday morning from your child's start time until 9am each week to hear your child read and every Friday morning for maths games. You can sign in with your child's class teacher and then sign out at 9am after reading/maths has finished. If you have more than one child in school, please decide which child you will read/play maths games with weekly, as due to timing, we cannot allow movement between classes.

Covid

We will be following the National guidance in terms of Covid isolation and anyone displaying any of the three main symptoms. Staff in school will need to isolate if they test positive so it is important to keep on helping us with this please. If numbers in and around the local area increase, I will inform you of any changes as soon as I am aware of them. I know you will continue to support us with this moving forward and help us as you have a school community.

Absences from school

Please phone school by 8.30am if your child is unwell or not attending on 01283 247550 or by email on contact@holytrinity.staffs.sch.uk

All medical appointments need to have proof letter/text, to confirm this either show the item to the staff member on the gate, in the school office or send a screen shot to contact@holytrinity.staffs.sch.uk

If your child requires any other time of absence from school, a leave of absence form must be completed in advance. Unless the reason is an exceptional circumstance this absence will be recorded as unauthorised on your child's record.

Book Fortnight – Kandinsky Style ☺

You have been working hard over the summer to explore art, colour, music and the work of the artist Kandinsky. This was to help us begin the year with an arty musical bang ☺ Our whole school themed book is based around Kandinsky and how he used music to inspire his drawings and paintings within his artwork. On Friday 13th September,





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we have a musical group performing and running workshops with the children so that they can be inspired, like Kandinsky to draw and paint too 😊

We would love the children to dress-up on Friday 13th September as Kandinsky (an old white shirt with paint on it would be perfect), or as their favourite colour, a musical note or anything linked to art or music. We are also having a Kandinsky themed special lunch that day – please order as normal on ParentMail for this meal. I look forward to seeing the children in their artist outfits next week 😊

Staffing updates

We are also welcoming Miss Sophie McSherry and Miss Emileigh Adams to our team as apprentice Learning Support Assistant.

I know you will welcome all of the new members of team when you see them out and about 😊

I am looking forward to beginning the learning journey with your children and cracking on with this academic year (hopefully it'll be a fun filled exciting, smooth, and 'normal' year ;-)

Yours

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