

# HOLY TRINITY NEWSLETTER



Our new website is currently under construction. We're looking forward to it being finished and showing it off...  
*'Yeah, we made it... What a long half term! edition' October half term 2020*

## Thank you all again for all your help and support during these new and interesting times

I would like to say thank you for all of your support with the systems we have in place at school to help keep your children and our school community as safe as we possibly can again. This has been a long half term for us to return 'back' to school. The children have been amazing and that is down to your support to make the new systems the new 'normal' for us all :-). We have been extremely lucky to have made it through the half term with no positive test results in school. I have been reviewing our COVID Risk Assessment every two weeks (or sooner, if the Government or HSE have brought new guidance out). As part of this review, I have assessed how well the structure of the day and week continue to help us keep everyone safe. We will continue to follow the same structure after the half term break. I will review this again throughout the half term and let you know if anything can/will be changing. Please continue to support us with our systems. The reason it works so well is because we are working in partnership to ensure our school community is as safe as possible :-). There are a few things below which would help:



### Contacting school regarding absences

Please be open and honest with us when you ring to tell us about your child's absence from school. This is regarding any symptoms they may be presenting at the moment and also if you wish to take time out of school—medical appointments or for holidays. Medical appointments need to have proof of appointment and should only be for hospital or emergency appointments (routine dentist, eye checks etc. should be



made out of school time). You must complete a 'Leave of absence' request and please bear in mind our attendance policy and consequences with unauthorized absences. If you are going on holiday please include your destination so that we can check if quarantine restrictions need to apply upon your return. Please note holidays will be marked as unauthorized unless for exceptional circumstances.

### Dropping off and collection of children

I know its lovely to wave your child into school, but please do leave quickly once you have dropped them off to allow the next group to move forward in the queue :-). As per the guidance from the government, we ask that only one adult from each household hands over and collects their child/ren each day and only children of primary school age and under should accompany the adult if it is not possible for them to be at home with another responsible person.

### Reading book packs

Please read with your child as much as possible it improves their learning in every area of the curriculum! Please return books to school every Monday morning with your child's reading record in, so we can log their weekly reads for their Rainbow Badges and to award their Trinity Pounds.

### Google Classrooms

Please support your child to complete their weekly Home Learning on their Google Classroom area. Fingers crossed we can use the Trinity Pounds you collect from completing this to pay towards an end of year visit in the summer term. It is also our way of communicating weekly about the learning going on in each classroom.



### Staying safe on line

In our ever changing world at the moment being on line is our way of staying in touch, learning and so much more. But please be aware of what your children are accessing and who they are speaking to. Not everything and everyone is who they say they are! Please be online safe aware with your little people.

### Parent's evening

Our first Year 1 to Year 6 Parents' consultation phone calls will be held on Monday 9th to Thursday 12th November from 3.45pm to 6.15pm. Letters for appointments have been emailed out, please use the online link on the letter to book your phone call appointment.

### Diversity week

It's Diversity week after half term, which will all be focussed on respect, tolerance and acceptance (and will include our anti-bullying work). Monday 9th—Friday 13th November. Please speak to the children during this week about their learning over the week.

### 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. Please also add extra layers to your child's uniform (vests etc.), although the heating will be on after half term we still need to ventilate every room to ensure fresh air is circulating around each classroom. Windows and doors will still be open :-). Please wrap them up warmly for us!



Again, thank you all so much for your support and cooperation with the ways of working in and around school :-). I wish you all a safe, relaxing and happy half term holiday. We will see you back in school on Tuesday 3rd November  
Mrs Oliphant & the Staff of Holy Trinity

## Names for Future Place

We are updating our lists for September 2021 and 2022. 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, 8.50am or 9.00am. Please do not arrive any earlier than your allocated time slot. Arriving after this time will be marked as late.

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**

**(next 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 red 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!!



**Attendance is currently 97.9% whoop whoop! Thank you for supporting us and bringing your children to school each day! Staffordshire's is 93%!!**

# Aspire to be more...