

# HOLY TRINITY NEWSLETTER



Our new website is looking amazing, please go on line and take a look. There are blogs form each class...  
[www.holytrinity.staffs.sch.uk](http://www.holytrinity.staffs.sch.uk) 'Christmas is still on here... :-)' November edition 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 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. The children have been amazing and that is down to your support to make the current systems the 'normal' for us all :-). I have once again been reviewing our COVID Risk Assessment every two weeks (mostly sooner, as 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 Christmas break. I will review this again throughout the first half term in January 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 :-)



## 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.



## Parents' evening

What a huge success our parent phone calls were. It was so good to get to so many of you in this way over the last few weeks. I hope you all found them useful? It does go to show our good partnership works in between the more formal set times throughout the year. Please continue to speak to staff on the gate each day, ask questions through the Google Classroom or by phoning 01283 247550.

## Christmas at Holy Trinity

We are buying our Christmas tree this weekend and are very excited about the different Christmas activities we are putting in place (in a safe and secure manner) for the children to enjoy. We started today with our Christingle Service in school. I hope you like yours that is coming home tonight :-). Find out more below: about we'll be up to



## Christmas cards

The children have been asking staff if they will be able to send each other cards this year. The good news is they can, but not quite in the same way. They will not be able to post cards in the school post box as normal. They will still get the opportunity to give cards to their friends if they choose to. However, Christmas cards can ONLY be sent in to school on the following dates due to having to follow guidance around quarantining items before they are sent home: Monday 30th November, Monday 7th December and Monday 14th December. The cards will need to come in, in the children's reading folders on the Monday. They will then be quarantined for 24 hours before they are put in to the correct reading folders and then quarantined for a further 24 hours before they come home on the Wednesday with their reading books and reading records.

## Personalised Christmas mugs

There is information that has been sent out today about how you can order and buy Christmas mugs which the children are going to be hand painting in the last week of term. We are very excited about these and hope you like them to give out as gifts or as keepsakes from the children :-)

**Christmas Pantomime—Cinderella** We have ordered an online panto for the children to enjoy in the last week of term. Oh no you haven't I hear you cry :-)

**Christmas Jumping Clay** Each class will also be enjoying making a Christmas Jumping Clay item with Katie. A little present from us all here to take home.

## Christmas Around the World Thursday 17th December

Each class has been learning about traditions of another country during Christmas time, they will be presenting this to everyone else on our Google Meet and singing songs to celebrate Christmas during the day. The day will also include our lovely Christmas lunch. Get your orders in quickly for the kitchen to ensure we have enough for everyone. Please order on ParentMail by booking a lunch on 17th December before Friday 4th December. Thank you

**Christmas Non-uniform day** To end our celebrations the children can come to school on Friday 18th December in their Christmas themed non-uniform clothes and pay £1 on ParentMail to help support school with much needed resources.

**Baby news** We have two members of staff expecting new arrivals in the spring 2021 term. Mrs Bakowska (one of our midday team) is expecting her fourth child in January and Mrs Armah, is expecting her second child in the middle of April 2021. We are very excited for both families. Year 1 parents I will let you know how the class will be covered during Mrs Armah's maternity in the New Year.



Mrs Oliphant & the Staff of Holy Trinity

# Aspire to be more...

## 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**

**(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.... :-)

**Orange badges and green ones are on the horizon**—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 97.6% whoop whoop! Thank you for supporting us and bringing your children to school each day! Staffordshire's is 89%!!**