

HOLY TRINITY NEWSLETTER

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'Happy holidays half term edition' October 2023



What a fabulous start to the academic year we have had—but gosh what a long first half term. We are all looking forward to a rest and re-boot over half term :-)

Covid

Please be aware that we have had a number of positive cases through the school community this week and last week. These families have followed guidance, contacted school and kept their children at home for at least 3 days. If your child or members of the household have any symptoms; please do test so that we can try to stop the spread of infection with the break over half term. Thank you all.

Parent's evening

Our first Year 1 to Year 6 Parents' evenings will be held on Tuesday 14th November and Wednesday 15th November from 3.40pm to 6.00pm. Letters for appointments have been emailed out this week. Please use the online link on the letter to book your appointment. Please note that After School Club will be running also on these evenings.

Diversity week—Make a noise about bullying!



It's Diversity week after half term, which will all be focussed on respect, tolerance and acceptance (and will include our anti-bullying work and Children in Need celebrations). Monday 13th—Friday 17th November. Please speak to the children during this week about their learning over the week. School Council would like the children to arrive in Odd Socks on Monday 13th November to start our Diversity Week. For Children in Need day on Friday 17th November the children would

like everyone to wear any bright colours for the day along with a £1 donation.

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!



Uniform

Please ensure that the children return to school in the correct uniform after half term. Our uniform is a **red** jumper/cardigan paired with black or grey skirt, trousers or a dress accompanied by black school shoes. Hair accessories should be limited to bobbles only. Hair extensions and accessories must be removed for Health and Safety reasons. For this reason also, the children should only have small stud earrings and a watch on—which need to be removed for PE during school time. Necklaces should not be worn for any reason in school. PE uniform is our red school jumper with a white polo and black leggings/joggies with trainers. Thank you.



Reading We would love to invite Mums, Dads and Grandparents to spare 15 – 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 9.15am to enjoy a short burst of maths fun with your child.

Hairy friends

we have had a number of hairy friends in school lately. Please help to stop their spread and check your child's hair to combat this common problem in school. Head lice take up to 14 days to be eradicated completely—please keep checking!!! A really good habit to get into is: 'The Once a Week, Take a Peek!' look :-) for more help and advice please check out www.onceaweektakeapeek.co.uk This site has downloadable information to help combat head lice at home :-) We will send text alerts out and updates on the newsletters, if they start to appear in school.



ParentMail paying system

Please ensure all items are paid for in advance as this is not a credit facility. We currently have hundreds of pounds in debts from parents who are ignoring messages from the office about payments being made. Please pay these, as the money is then paid by school's budget and means that the children miss out on resources and enrichment during the year. All lunches and clubs must be paid for before being taken. Thank you

Don't forget to buy your Hot Dog Night at Holy Trinity for Tuesday 21st November 3.30pm—5.30pm

Have a safe, relaxing and happy half term holiday and we look forward to seeing you in and around school when we all return.

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

(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 yellow 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 :-)