

HOLY TRINITY



Primary Phase Newsletter

Autumn term 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

Hello! I am Mrs Falconer and the Head of Primary at Holy Trinity. Although I have been here since Easter and met some of you, this is the first time I have had chance to say hello to everyone! We would all like to welcome everyone back to school. It has been lovely to meet the children and they have settled back in superbly. Please bear with us as we review and adapt the new routines as we return in very strange circumstances since you were all last here. Staff will do all they can to support you and the children.

We fully appreciate the anxiety many of you as parents may have about returning your child to school, but please be assured we have done everything we can to ensure the school is as safe as possible having followed all the guidance from the government. Therefore, it is expected that all children will return back to school. Attendance will be monitored closely and families will be contacted if attendance and/or punctuality give us cause for concern.

Increased communication

This newsletter will come to you every half term alongside a class newsletter. We hope that this increase in communication will support you during the year and answer any questions you may have in advance.

An exciting curriculum

Class	Topic
Nursery	Aliens and Space
Reception	Aliens and Space
Year 1	Why can't nan play the Xbox?
Year 2	How can we save the planet?
Year 3	Why is the UK a unique place to live?
Year 4	How did the Romans, Anglo Saxons and Vikings invade, raid and settle in Brittan?
Year 5	What were the achievements of Ancient China?
Year 6	Why did we win the First World War?

We have invested in a range of resources to support the Primary Phase in 2020-21. We have bought a new music scheme and although singing and passing instruments around will not take place for the moment, we hope the children will enjoy listening to a variety of music and 'chair drumming!' We have also bought a new scheme to develop computing and children will experience programming, scratch, algorithms, and many more elements of computing.

Website

We are in the process of developing the primary phase of the school website. Keep checking back regularly to see a plan of what each class will be taught over the year, plus more details about each subject.

Uniform

Can you please ensure that pupils are in full school uniform at all times.

School Uniform:

- Mid-grey trousers, shorts or skirts
- Long or short sleeved white shirt (not polo shirt)
- Clip-on or elastic school tie
- Navy blue v-neck sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan with school logo
- Black shoes (no trainers or boots allowed)
- Grey or white socks or grey tights

PE kit:

- Trainers (not pumps)
- Navy blue shorts or a plain navy blue tracksuit may be worn for outdoor PE.
- White t-shirt (polo or round neck)

Due to Health and Safety in school, earrings are not allowed. Please ensure that your child removes their earrings or clear retainers before they come to school. Plasters over the ears will not be acceptable. Failure to do so may lead to the child missing PE and break times.

Milk and snack

Milk is available from Cool Milk and information is available by contacting the school. Milk cannot be brought into school from home. Tuck shop will not be open at the moment but snacks for each class will be provided by school. Please ensure your child brings a filled water bottle (water only please) into school daily for throughout the day and at lunchtime.

Queries

If you have any queries about school matters please contact the school via the main office on (01226 704550), email (info@holyltrinitybarnsley.org), contact us via the text service (01226 610168) or send a message via class dojo. Please do not try to speak to the class teacher at pick up and drop off times, as I am sure you can appreciate, we have tight timings for staggering all primary children in and out of school.

Dates for your diary

Break Up for Half Term
INSET Day

23rd October 2020
2nd November 2020

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Mrs Falconer
Head of Primary Phase

