

**Primary Phase Newsletter** 

# Autumn term 2, 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn Term. We have a busy half term planned which we hope the children will enjoy. More information about Christmas events will be sent out separately.

As always, please inform school using the info@holytrinitybarnsley.org email, by telephone or text if your child is going to be absent from school with a full explanation. Please do not send this information via Class Dojo to the teachers.

#### An exciting curriculum

Class	Торіс
Nursery	Stories and Christmas
Reception	Stories and Christmas
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 Britain?
Year 5	What were the achievements of Ancient China?
Year 6	Why did we win the First World War?

We are thrilled that we are starting to go on trips again to support learning in our curriculum. The Deep, Crucial Crew, The National Coal Mining Museum and Young Voices at the Sheffield Arena are the ones taking place first.

We have many exciting events happening this half term! Please watch out for information coming your way about Remembrance Day (11<sup>th</sup> November) and Children in Need (19<sup>th</sup> November).

Last half term, we took part in 'Send my friend to school'. The children have looked at the impact of climate change on schools and the education of young people across the world, particularly the poorest communities who are the hardest hit by climate change. We discussed what their school of the future would look like for everyone and how world leaders must listen to and act upon young people's calls for action. We sent our work to Dan Jarvis MP, asking him to take the campaigns messages to the Prime Minister to

ensure that education is no longer interrupted. A small sample of the work produced by the children is below.





We also took part in Black History Month last half term, where classes researched the lives of black people who made significant contributions to society. They produced some fantastic work as you can see from the displays below.





We continue our exciting curriculum with a focus on UK Parliament Week. This is an annual event that enables children to learn more about democracy. Classes will complete a range of activities over the week.



We are also taking part in a whole school Careers day where children from all classes will be thinking about the job they would like to do when they grow up.

#### School Council and Junior Road Safety Officers

Mrs Smith has been busy organising our new School Council members, deputies and the new Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSOs), who will be working hard over the coming year to help make decisions about the school and to keep everyone safe on the roads. Exciting times ahead!



**School Council Members** 

**School Council Deputies** 



Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSOs)

Mrs Gregg has also set up an Arts Council – more information about their role in school will be in the next newsletter.

### **Parents Evening**

Parents Evening will take place virtually this half term on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021. This is an opportunity for you to hear how your child has settled in to school this academic year. The last time we did this, quite a lot of parents booked appointments but did not turn up but then wanted lots of different appointments at other times. This meant that staff were sat waiting at their computer screens for parents to

join on the night and a lot of time was wasted. Please ensure you attend the appointment you book and if the evening is not convenient or you need a longer time slot, please contact the class teacher **in advance** to arrange an alternative time. Thank you for your support.

## Website

We hope you enjoyed seeing the Harvest performances last half term on the school website. The children did amazingly well and really enjoyed performing! The harvest performances are still on the website at <u>www.holytrinitybarnsley.org/media/videos/</u> so please take a look if you haven't already!

We have also updated the website with a lot of information about our curriculum. Please visit <u>www.holytrinitybarnsley.org/school-information/curriculum/primary</u> for more information.

### Uniform

A reminder that 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. A reminder that school hoodies must only be worn on PE/sports club days and not every day.

### 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 is open for healthy snack (breadsticks and Snack-a-jacks) and items costs 25p. If you are sending in a snack from home, please ensure it is healthy e.g. fruit. Fruit is provided for Reception and KS1 (Years 1 and 2) as part of a government scheme. Please ensure your child brings a filled water bottle (water only please) into school daily for throughout the day.

# **Remembrance Day**

Some Year 6 children will be selling a selection of items from the Royal British Legion at playtime on Friday. They are selling: Poppies for 20p, Wristbands for £1, Reflectors for 50p and Zip pulls for 50p.

# **Little Angels**

Our before and after school provision continues to grow! Booking is via the School gateway app. Please visit the school website or contact Toni Millward, the manager, via email on littleangels@holytrinitybarnsley.org for more information.



### Queries

If you have any queries about school matters please contact the school via the main office on (01226 704550), email (<u>info@holytrinitybarnsley.org</u>), contact us via the text service (01226 610168) or send a message via class dojo.

### Dates for your diary

Parents Evening – 10<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Day – 11<sup>th</sup> November Children in Need - 19<sup>th</sup> November

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