

HOLY TRINITY



Primary Phase Newsletter

Spring Term 2, 2023

At Holy Trinity, our Christian values and heritage form the foundation of all we do. We believe in the uniqueness of every person as a child of God. This is reflected in our emphasis on the Parable of the Lost Sheep which underpins our commitment to each pupil's wellbeing and growth, wherever they are on their learning journey.

"If a man has a hundred sheep, but one of the sheep gets lost, he will leave the other ninety-nine sheep on the hill. He will go to look for the lost sheep. And if he finds it, he is happier about that 1 sheep than about the ninety-nine that were never lost. I tell you the truth. In the same way, your Father in heaven does not want any of these little children to be lost."

Matthew 18:13-14

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring term. We hope everyone had a great half term! In line with our behaviour policy, extra certificates will be given out for being 'Kind and Caring' this half term.

An exciting curriculum

Class	Topic
Nursery	On the farm, Easter
Reception	In the garden, Minibeasts and growing, Spring, Easter
Year 1	Why does it always rain on me?
Year 2	Whose house is this?
Year 3	What was the stone age and the iron age?
Year 4	How is the land used in Sheffield?
Year 5	Who wants to live in America?
Year 6	Is the grass greener on the other side?

Mother's Day Liturgy

The Mother's day Liturgies will take place in our Performance Hall and will include each class. More information about tickets will be sent out nearer the time but the date is Friday 17th March.



Sporting Events

We have recently started taking part in competitive sporting events against other schools and were thrilled to have come third in our first two events. We took part in a Year 5/6 indoor athletics event and a Year 3/4 basketball event. Well done to everyone involved. We look forward to taking part in more events!

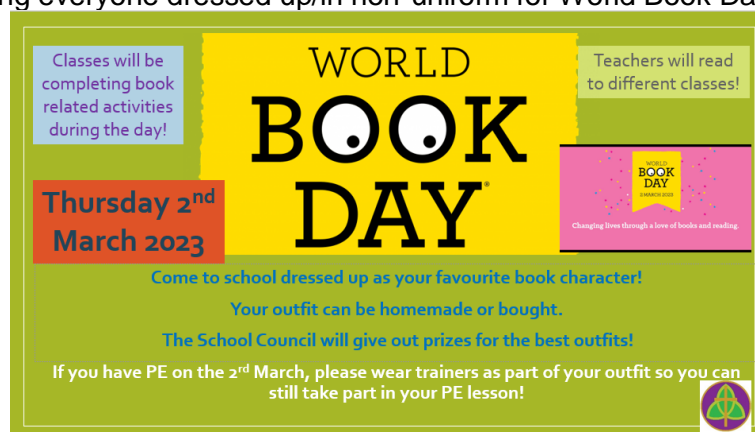


Parents Evening

Parents evening will be held virtually on Wednesday 8th March. More information will be coming out soon. Please ensure you attend the appointment you book so that staff are not sat waiting and if the evening is not convenient, please contact the class teacher **in advance** to arrange a suitable time for a phone call. Information is on our school website should you need support with any aspect of booking an appointment. Please go to holyltrinitybarnsley.org and hover over the 'parents' tab and go down to 'parents evening'.

World Book Day

We look forward to seeing everyone dressed up/in non-uniform for World Book Day!



Easter

The Year 3 and Year 4 Easter Performance will take place in our Performance Hall. More information about tickets will be sent out nearer the time but the date is Wednesday 29th March.



Grandparent's party

Our Grandparents party will be virtual and each class will perform a song which will be on the website on 21st March 2023. We hope you all enjoy the songs!

School Council and Junior Road Safety Officers

Mrs Smith is now on maternity leave, but before she left she organised a visit from Strider, the Walk to School mascot. He enjoyed visiting the Breakfast Club and playground and gave out more badges! The School Council also ran a competition to design a walk to school badge. The entries were really superb and it was so difficult to choose a winner! Three winners were selected to be entered into a national competition to have their badge made! Fingers crossed and well done everyone! Miss Gallimore will be taking over the running of the School Council and JRSOs and will be looking at The Green Cross Code and designing a book token.



Uniform

Please ensure correct uniform is worn to school including the correct PE kit. These are clearly displayed on our website. A reminder that due to Health and Safety in school, earrings are not allowed. Please ensure that your child removes their earrings and replaces them with clear retainers before they come to school. Plasters over the ears will not be acceptable. Clear retainers are not allowed in PE. A reminder that school hoodies must only be worn on PE/sports club days and not every day. Nail polish/false nails are not allowed.

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.

Little Angels

Booking for our before and after school provision 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 (info@holytrinitybarnsley.org), contact us via the text service (01226 610168) or send a message via class dojo.

Any concerns you have regarding your child, issues in class or concerns you wish to share, should be firstly discussed with the staff within the classroom who work with your child. This then allows for there to be clear progression to myself if and when needed. The class staff are always available for a quick chat in the morning or after school. If longer time is needed, please phone to arrange a longer phone call or meeting at a mutually convenient time. Staff are busy working with your child during the day so cannot meet with parents - please do not turn up unannounced as staff will not be available. We also have our Learning Mentor, Mrs Hewitt, and our Pupil Support Officer, Mrs Wiles, who will be able to give you a call if requested. Again, they are busy running various interventions and supporting pupils throughout the day so please do not turn up expecting them to be available.

Absence/Attendance

A polite reminder to please inform school (via the Gateway app or by phone 01227 704550) of your child's absence **for each day** they are off. This saves us then having to call you to find out why your child is not in school. Please do not use Class Dojo for this as the teachers are teaching and may not see your message. A reminder that school starts at 8:45 for Nursery and Reception and 8:55am for Years 1-6.

Dates for your diary

World Book Day – Thursday 2nd March 2023
PTA meeting - Thursday 2nd March 2023 at 3:30pm
Year 6 residential parents meeting – Tuesday 7th March 2023 at 3.30pm
Parents Evening – Wednesday 8th March 2023
INSET day – Friday 10th March 2023
Mother's Day Liturgy – Friday 17th March 2023
Year 6 Residential – Wednesday March 22nd 2023 – Friday 24th March 2023
Year 3 and Year 4 Easter performances – 29th March 2023
Break up for Easter – Friday 31st March 2023
Return to school – Monday 17th April 2023
KS2 SATs week – Tuesday 9th May 2023 – Friday 12th May 2023

K. E. Falconer

Mrs Falconer, Head of Primary Phase

