

HOLY TRINITY



Primary Phase Newsletter

Summer Term 1, 2023

At Holy Trinity, our Christian values 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 first half of the Summer term. We hope everyone had a great Easter. I can't believe we are in the last term already!

In line with our behaviour policy, extra certificates will be given out for being '**Responsible**' this half term.

An exciting curriculum

Class	Topic
Nursery	In the garden
Reception	New life, Lifecycles
Year 1	What makes The Great Fire of London so great?
Year 2	Who were Grace Darling and Amy Johnson and why were they famous?
Year 3	Why is the Earth so special?
Year 4	Why is the Titanic so famous?
Year 5	Where does chocolate come from?
Year 6	What did the Ancient Greeks do for us anyway?

Chicks!

As part of the Early Years curriculum on Life Cycles, we are thrilled that the children in Reception have seen the hatching of 10 eggs! The children are thoroughly enjoying looking after them and the classroom has become a very popular place for people to visit!



Earth Day

This week, as last year, classes will be looking at our Earth by taking part in Earth Week. The focus this year continues from last year and is 'Invest in our Planet'. The children have already taken part in an assembly, where they found out more information on sustainable fashion/fast fashion. Please see Class Dojo for more information about our poster competition – the deadline is 24th April. We hope the children really get a lot from taking part.



Easter

I'm sure all those who came to see the Easter performance would agree it was fantastic! Year 3 and 4 showed us of the true meaning of Easter in a very moving performance. It was a real team effort – a huge well done to all staff and pupils involved.





SATs

Good luck to all our Year 2 and Year 6 children who will be completing their SATs assessments this half term. They have worked really hard and we are sure they will do well.

Year 6 SATs take place on Tuesday 9th May and the timetable for the week is as follows...

Tuesday 9 th May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Wednesday 10 th May	English reading
Thursday 11 th May	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Friday 12 th May	Mathematics paper 3

It is vital that every child attends all week and is here on time each day.

Year 2 will complete their assessments week beginning 15th May and week beginning 22nd May.

King's Coronation

We are excited to be celebrating the King's Coronation on Friday 5th May. Children can come in non-uniform (red/white/blue or dress up as a princess/prince!) and will be completing exciting activities throughout the day including a sing-a-long, QR competition, Design a Crown competition and even a Royal Bake Off! More information will be coming out soon.



School Council and Junior Road Safety Officers

The School Council held a competition for World Book Day and entries have been sent off to be entered into the national prize draw. Miss Gallimore is going to do some work with JRSO about the green code this half term!

Uniform

Please ensure correct uniform is worn to school (including ties!) and 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. Bottles of Prime and any other energy drinks are not allowed.

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@holyltrinitybarnsley.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@holyltrinitybarnsley.org), contact us via the text service (01226 610168) or send a message via class dojo.

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

PTA meeting - 26th April at 3:30 - ALL ARE WELCOME

Bank Holiday – 1st May 2023

King's Coronation Celebration – 5th May 2023

Bank Holiday for the Kings Coronation – 8th May 2023

KS2 SATs week – Tuesday 9th May 2023 – Friday 12th May 2023

Coronation Disco Wednesday 17th May EYFS/KS1: 4pm-5pm KS2 5:30pm-6:30pm

Year 2 SATs assessment – week commencing 15th and 22nd May 2023

Break up for Spring Bank – Friday 26th May 2023

Return to school for the final half term – Monday 5th June 2023



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