

Primary Phase Newsletter Summer Term 2, 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 last half of the Summer term. We hope everyone had a great half term and we have a very busy final few weeks of the academic year.

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

An exciting curriculum

Class	Topic
Nursery	Holidays, Seaside.
Reception	Here and there!
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?

King's Coronation!

We had a wonderful day celebrating the King's Coronation. We dressed up, had a bake off, had a sing-along, completed a QR quiz and much more. Thank you to all the staff for making it such a memorable day.



Parent Information session

We had booked a Healthy Peer relationship practitioner to come and talk to parents about keeping children safe online. Unfortunately there was no take up for the event so it had to be cancelled. We will rearrange for the Autumn term in the hope people will want to come. It was booked due to the increasing number of issues having to be dealt with in school from social media use at home, and it was hoped the session would support parents. Look out for the new date after the summer holidays.

Transition

Children will be moving up to meet their new class teachers on the 3rd and 4th July. More details will be sent out nearer the time outlining which class will have which teacher. However, on these days, children will come into school and go out in the normal way with their current class teachers and will meet their new teacher once they have registered in their current class. Year 6 will be experiencing Year 7 on these days too (more details to follow about these arrangements). Any children who are going to other secondary schools will still experience Year 7 with their class on these days.

SATs

Well done to all our Year 2 and Year 6 pupils who took their SATs last half term. This half term is the Phonics Check in Year 1 and the Multiplication Check in Year 4.

Sports day

We are pleased to be returning to sports days this year with parents invited! Reception classes will take place on the 28th June at 1:45pm on the secondary field. KS2 (Classes 5 - 12) will take place on 5th July in the morning starting at 9:15am and KS1 (Classes 1- 4) will take place on the 5th July in the afternoon starting at 1:15pm and both of these will be held on the secondary muga. Obviously these dates are weather permitting so fingers crossed for some sunshine! We have a provisional contingency date of 11th July for the KS1/KS2 Sports Day if for any reason we cannot hold the event on the 5th July. Children will need to come to school in their PE kits on these days (including trainers) and ensure they have their water bottles. We hope to see many of you there!



School Council and Junior Road Safety Officers

Th Walk to School Campaign has been so successful - We are currently 88th in the country and 3rd in our local authority! Keep going everyone! We have signed up again for next year – well done everyone.



Uniform

Leavers hoodies can be worn daily by Year 6 pupils. 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@holytrinitybarnsley.org for more information. Bookings must be made in advance to ensure there is enough food ordered from the kitchen and the staffing ratios are correct.



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.

Absence/Attendance

A polite reminder to please inform school (via the Gateway app or by phone 01227 704550) of your child's absence <u>for each day</u> 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

28th June - Reception Sports Day

28th -29th June - Residential for Year 5

3rd and 4th July - Transition days

5th July – KS2 sports day am, KS1 sports day pm

7th July – Summer Fair (after school)

10th July – Reports go home to parents

18th July – Year 5 and 6 concert with an am and pm performance – more details to follow.

19th July – Year 6 Leavers Disco – more details to follow

20th July - Year 6 Leavers Liturgy - more details to follow

21st July - Break up for the Summer

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