

HOLY TRINITY



Class 2b Newsletter

Spring 1 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome to half-termly newsletter, which aims to share with you the key information you need to know this half term.

Teaching staff in Class 4

Teacher: Mrs Shepherd

TA: Mrs Hattersley

Topics

Our topic this half term is 'Whose house is that?'. This is a History unit all about the Victorian Era. The children will focus specifically on Victorian Barnsley and how life compares to life in Barnsley in the present. We will also be learning about Cannon Hall and the people who worked there during the Victorian Era when it was still a working home owned by the Spencer-Stanhope family. You can see all the work we will be doing in each subject in our long term plans on the school website. Just go to the school website (<https://holytrinitybarnsley.org/>), select Learning, and then Curriculum and then Primary to find out more!

Homework/Reading

English and Maths Homework will be set every Friday to be returned by the following Thursday. Each child will be given a homework folder with the worksheets inside to complete. It will then be marked in school and kept in the folder for you to see the following week.

The spellings taught in school will be handed out to practise but there is no expectation to hand spellings back in, the more practise at home the better!

It is important that your child reads regularly to an adult at home, every day if possible. Your child will read one to one with an adult in school and their book will be changed once a week. It is important that your child re-reads their reading book to build up fluency and understanding. The more your child reads, the more reading miles they will earn!

Type of Homework	Day it is set	Day to be returned	Feedback
English	Friday	Thursday	In school
Maths	Friday	Thursday	In school
Spellings	Friday	Do not return (keep at home to practise)	N/A Test on Friday
Reading books	N/A	Everyday	In school (they will read to an adult at least once per week)

Uniform

Please see the website for a correct list of the school uniform. School uniform is expected to be worn every day apart from the days your child does PE (see below for more details).

PE

Our PE days are every Monday and Thursday. Each class will now have two sessions each week. Please ensure your child comes to school in the correct kit. Please see the school website for the correct kit. Children can wear tracksuits if the weather is an issue – please be aware that PE lessons may take place outside so correct kit including appropriate footwear is essential.

Earrings

Due to Health and Safety in school, metal earrings are not allowed. Please ensure that your child removes their metal earrings before they come to school. Plasters over the ears will not be acceptable. Your child will not be able to take part in PE with metal earrings in. If you wish your child to wear earrings, clear plastic earrings are allowed as they do not rip the ear if accidentally pulled. However, these cannot be worn for PE so the child must be able to remove them. Staff are not allowed to remove earrings.

Dates for your diary

8th January 2024 - Back to school

26th January – Pantomime Jack and the Beanstalk for all children in the primary phase

2nd February – TTRockstars day – more information to follow but dressing up as a rockstar is encouraged!

*th February- Year 2 trip to Cannon Hall (children to dress up as Victorians)

9th February – break up for February half term

19th February – return to school

Other key information

Please ensure your child brings their own filled water bottle into school daily. Only water is allowed for school.

Free fruit is provided in school or children can bring in their own. A healthy tuck shop is available on the playground for 25p.

Queries

If you have any concerns or wish to speak with a member of staff you will need to phone the school office (01226 704550), email (info@holytrinitybarnsley.org), contact us via the text service (01226 610168) or send a message via class dojo.

