

HOLY TRINITY



Primary Phase Newsletter

Summer 1, 2024

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. In line with our behaviour policy, extra certificates will be given out for **ambition** this term. This is the term where lots of assessments take place for our pupils and we know they will be ambitious and try their very best.

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.

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	Is the grass greener on the other side? What did the Ancient Greeks do for us anyway?

Easter

Congratulations to everyone involved in the Easter performance from Years 3 and 4. They showed us all the true meaning of Easter and tissues were . It was a real team effort – a huge well done to all staff and pupils involved.



Earth Day

This term, as last year, classes will be looking at our Earth by taking part in Earth Week. The focus this year is Planet V Plastics. The children will take part in an assembly, activities will be completed in class and there will be a competition for children to enter. We hope the children really get a lot from taking part.



SATs

Good luck to all our 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 Monday 13th May and the timetable for the week is as follows...

Monday 13 th May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 14 th May	English reading
Wednesday 15 th May	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 16 th May	Mathematics paper 3

It is vital that every child attends all week and is here on time each day. Our Year 6 Breakfast Club will run that week from 8:30am. More details will be sent out to Classes 11 and 12 nearer the time.

School Council/Junior Road Safety Officers

The school council will be discussing the children's ideas about how we can make our school an even better place.

The JRSO's continue to give out the monthly Walk to School badges. Keep up the hard work in walking, cycling, scootering and park and stride to get to school.

Bagels!

We hope everyone is enjoying the bagels provided by school each morning to ensure no child starts school hungry. A reminder that staff are out on the main playground and near the primary reception to give out bagels to those pupils who want them as they enter school from 8:40am.



Uniform

Please ensure correct uniform is worn to school (including ties which can be purchased from the Main Reception) 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.

To support with uniform, we now have a rail of good quality second hand uniform in the primary reception. All items are **free!** More is put out daily – please ask if there is something specific you require.



School meals

The school menu is on the website and can be found at [School Dinner Menu | Holy Trinity \(holytrinitybarnsley.org\)](#). A reminder that school meals are £2.45. This applies to Years 3-6. If you think you may qualify for Free School Meals, please go to [Free school meals \(barnsley.gov.uk\)](#)

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. **Please ensure you book in advance as there have been occasions where we are full and therefore have not been able to accept last minute places.**



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.

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.

Dates for your diary

6th May – Bank Holiday
13th May – Year 6 SATS week
24th May – Break up for Spring Bank Holiday
3rd June – Return to school



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