

HOLY TRINITY



Class 9 Newsletter

Autumn 2 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

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

Topics

Our topic this term is 'Shang Dynasty' a Design and Technology and Art focus. 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

Homework will be sent home via dojo every Friday. You will find the homework on the class story. Please can the children complete either the English grammar homework or the Maths task the following Wednesday. You can send your class teacher a photo of the completed homework or children can write their answers on paper and they can bring this with them to school.

If your child is struggling with anything, then feel free to write a comment on the sheet to let us know of any difficulties.

Children will be rewarded with a dojo for bringing homework back on time.

| Type of Homework | Day it is set | Day to be returned | Feedback |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Fortnightly spelling grid | Friday | N/A | N/A |
| Times table Rockstars activity | Friday | N/A | N/A |
| Maths task | Friday – Week B | Wednesday | Dojo/ in school |
| English/Grammar task | Friday – Week A | Wednesday | Dojo/ In school |

It is important for children to read to an adult at home daily. Reading will be rewarded with air miles and these will be checked off in school. Children will also receive a dojo for each time they read at home, as well as an entry into our class reading raffle to win a prize each week. Regular practise on Times Table Rockstars and Numbots will really help to improve your child's Maths skills.

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 day this half term is on Monday week A and Monday week B. Swimming/PE will be every Wednesday afternoon until the New Year. On the Wednesday swimming day children to come to school in their uniform with swimming kit in a separate bag. 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/piercing

Due to Health & Safety in school, earrings/piercings are not allowed. Please ensure that your child removes their earrings or clear retainers before they come to school. Plasters over the ears will not be acceptable. Failure to do so may lead to the child missing PE and break times.

Dates for your diary

There are no trips planned at this time. We will update you if anything changes.

Tuesday 12th November – Odd Sock Day for Anti-Bullying Week

Friday 15th November – Non-uniform day for Children in Need. Donations for Children in Need and bring a bottle for our Christmas Fair if you wish.

Thursday 28th November – Non-uniform day. Please bring a chocolate item for our Christmas Fair if you can.

Friday 29th November – INSET day.

Wednesday 11th December -Christmas jumper day. Children to wear school uniform but can wear a Christmas jumper instead of a school one if they wish. Please bring in cakes/buns for our Christmas Fair if you can.

Wednesday 11th December – Christmas Fair

Wednesday 18th December – Class parties. Children can come dressed in their party clothes for the day.

Friday 20th December – INSET day.

Other key information

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

Your child may also bring in a **healthy** snack for morning break time. Children should not be bringing crisps, sweets or chocolate bars for their snack.

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.