



Class 1b Newsletter Spring 1 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

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

Teacher: Mrs Savage

Topics

This term we are beginning our Geography topic: Comparing London to our Local area. We will be finding the UK on a map and naming the four countries and capital cities.

In English we are looking at non-fiction texts about alligators and reading the fiction book, 'Alan's big, scart teeth.' We are continuing to practise basic punctuation when writing simple sentences and identifying different sentence types.

In Maths, we are learning to tell the time on an analogue clock and talk about events in a day using mathematical language.

Our science topic this term is 'Changing Seasons' and we are drawing birds and feathers in Art.

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 set every Friday and is due on the following Wednesday. Homework set will be based on English and Maths objectives taught during the week. In school children will be practising their handwriting daily, so please encourage your child to practise at home.

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!

Please make sure you are logging onto your child's Oxford Owl page, to read books and complete the quizzes set.

Type of Homework	Day it is set	Day to be returned	Feedback
English	Friday	Wednesday	In school
Maths	Friday	Wednesday	In school
Reading books	Friday	Everyday	In school

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 Tuesday and Wednesday on Week A and Tuesday and Thursday on Week B. Each class has two sessions of PE each week. Please ensure your child <u>comes to school</u> 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

Friday 14th February – school closes for the half term.

Monday 24th February – school reopens.

Thursday 6th March – World Book Day (get dressed up as your favourite book character!)

Friday 28th March – Mother's Day Liturgy (more details to follow)

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 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.