

HOLY TRINITY



Class 8/4b 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.



Mrs Major (left) Teacher Thursday PM and all-day Friday

Mrs Raynor (right) Teacher Monday-Thursday morning.

Mrs Quinn (centre) Full time TA

Topics

Our topic this half term is -‘**Why is the Titanic so famous?**’ and is our History 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

Type of Homework	Day it is set	Day to be returned	Feedback
TTrockstars	Thursday	Checked in TTRS test	TTRS test
Spelling	Thursday	Checked in spelling test	Spelling test
English or maths worksheet (this will not be a new skill, they will have been working on it all week).	Thursday	Thursday by the latest- please return in purple folder.	Teacher will give feedback in school

There is also a lunchtime homework club available to access should anyone need support or extra time to complete it. Children who do not hand their homework in on time will go to lunch time club on a Friday.

Your child will access TTrockstars in school. Please encourage your child to access this at home as much as possible especially as they have the Year 4 Multiplication check in June 2025.

Reading

We have some changes to reading. We are now delivering reading fluency lessons four times a week. Your child will read extensively during these sessions exploring a range of texts and genres. This will replace us writing in the reading passports once a fortnight as before. These are for you to continue to record when your child reads to you at home (this can be the accelerated reading book or a free choice book at home). Every time your child reads, at home they will receive a Dojo at school (we will tick off when the Dojos have been awarded as before.) They will also receive certificates and raffle tickets every time they reach a new destination. Please continue to bring reading books and passports into school daily as before so we can reward reading!

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

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. No earrings or retainers allowed.

PE days- Every Tuesday and alternate Thursday and Monday

A week – Tuesday and Thursday (W/C 13th Jan, 27th Jan, 10th Feb)

B week- Monday and Tuesday (W/C 6th 20th Jan, 3rd Feb)

Earrings

Due to Health & Safety in school, earrings are not allowed. Please ensure that your child removes their earrings. They may wear clear retainers when it is not their PE day. Plasters over the ears will not be acceptable. Failure to do so may lead to the child missing PE.

Music

On a Wednesday morning Year 4 will be learning to play brass instruments! Your child will be allocated a trumpet or cornet and when they are taken home they need to be returned for the following Wednesday. We do not have the space to store these in our classroom.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 13th Time Table Rockstar Day

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

Year 4 Multiplication Check: June 2025

Other key information

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.. Please ensure your child brings a filled water bottle (water only please) into school daily for throughout the day. Please ensure your child brings their own filled water bottle into school daily.

Please limit what your child brings to school. No toys or pencil cases. Only bring bags if necessary.

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.

