



Newsletter 8
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"A Church School Community aspiring for all to live life to the full"

Dear Parents, Carers & Governors,

As you may already be aware, last week was quite eventful here at Holy Trinity! The school inspection has finished and we are now able to return our focus to the day to day education and development of our wonderful children. We are unable to share the feedback until the report has been quality assured. The inspection process itself was largely straightforward and the inspection team were congruent with our analysis of the school: both in terms of strengths and areas for further development.

I would like to say a huge thank you to the parental community for your incredibly positive feedback. Despite some of the recent challenges the school has faced, the inspection team made a point of telling me that parental feedback, both via the survey and in the playground, was incredibly positive. I know I speak on behalf of the entire staff when I say that your ongoing support is greatly appreciated.

On a separate note, please can I kindly remind parents to be mindful of their parking around school. I appreciate that accessing the school and parking can be a challenge. We face the same access challenges as staff. However, a number of local residents have recently made complaints about specific vehicles, including with photographic evidence of cars parked illegally/ inappropriately. Please can I remind parents to be mindful of our neighbours.

Finally, I have included a short update on the planned Strike Action which is due to take place over the coming weeks. This is a developing situation and I will endeavour to keep you informed on any developments as they happen. You will find the update in the list of notices below.

Kind regards

Mr. Kurt Doyle
Acting Headteacher

Planned Strike Action: As you may already be aware, many of the education unions are in dispute with Government regarding the funding crisis in our sector. As a result, members of the National Education Union (NEU) will be striking on a number of dates. **I can confirm that Year 2 and Year 4 will be closed to all children on Wednesday 1st February.** If free school meal children in Year 2 or Year 4 would like to order a free school meal packed lunch on this day, you can order a cheese or tuna baguette with the school office by Tuesday lunchtime. You can then collect the packed lunch from 9.00am onwards on Wednesday morning.

Y1 Wilson Museum Trip, Friday 10th February: Please ensure you fill in the form which came home this week in book bags regarding your child's packed lunch choices and return the named slip to the office asap. Thank you.

Staffing Change: We give thanks to Mrs Ellie Dutton who has departed Holy Trinity to seek opportunities elsewhere. Mrs Fiona Pargeter will backfill some of her responsibilities in the short term.

School Dinners: Reminder: If you pay for your child's meals please ensure you have topped up your Parent Pay account **before** your child places an order. **Please clear any debts ASAP. We cannot supply meals if your debt exceeds £12.00.**

Contact Details and Medical Information: If there have been any changes to contact details we hold on our system in relation to your child, i.e., your telephone number, e-mail address, etc, please ensure you let Miss Saunders in the office know, so we can make sure your child's details are as up to date as possible. This also includes any changes in relation to medical information we hold for your child. If you are unsure of the details we hold for your child, please check these with the school office.

Beginning of the Day Arrangements:

Please ensure that all children are brought onto the playground in the morning and go straight into their class, through the relevant door. Parents are politely reminded that for safeguarding reasons they should not be entering the school building with their child. If a message needs to be given to their class teacher, please do this via the School Office, entering through the Main Entrance door. Thank you.

End of the School Day Collection Times:

Please can parents collect their child promptly, at the following times, thank you.

Rec & KS1 (Y1 & Y2): 3.10pm **KS2: (Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6): 3.15pm**

Values Certificates

Well done to the following children who received a Christian values certificate or Jigsaw Scroll Award in our weekly Celebration Worship.

13.01.2023

Rec Marley and Eva
Y1 Leo and Rufus
Y2 Yamen and Benjamin
Y3 Jesse and Tasneem
Y4 Lisa and Milly
Y5 Mati and Jesse
Y6 Sophie and Cordelia
Skye and Betty

20.01.2023

Rec Liam and Cassius
Y1 Taha and Elsie
Y2 Freddie and Imogen
Y3 Molly, Ruby and Ossian
Y4 Felicia and Rex
Y5 Robyn and Vinnie
Y6 Freddie and George

27.01.2023

Rec Paisley and Divjot
Y1 Annie and Teddie
Y2 All of Year 2! and Willow
Y3 Jacob and Luca
Y4 All of Year 4!
Y5 Indiella and Ava
Y6 Zoia, Clemence, Mona -

Attendance - Class Percentages (11.01.23 – 25.01.23):

Reception: 92.8%
Year 1: 94.6%
Year 2: 93.7%
Year 3: 94.9%
Year 4: 96.0% - Well done Year 4!
Year 5: 94.9%
Year 6: 93.8%

Overall School Attendance: 94.4%

National: 93.5%

The Year group with the highest attendance will receive an extra playtime with Mr Doyle and Mrs Nelson.

Water bottles: Please ensure that your child brings in their own, named water bottle. Thank you.

Hair Up Please! In line with our school uniform policy, for health and safety reasons and to ensure that it doesn't distract from learning, we request that long hair is tied back – many thanks.

PTFA EVENT DATES:

Friday 10th February - Y4 After school sale

Friday 17th February - PTFA Non-Uniform Day - £1.00 Donation

Sleep Webinar: Please see attached flyer in relation to Encouraging good sleeping habits for the whole family with Move More. Once the registration is complete, you will receive an email with the zoom link. There is no pressure to attend the webinar "live" as it will be recorded. All registered participants will be able to access the recording and can watch it in their own time. Registered participants will also be able to submit questions.

February Half Term & Balanceability Session: Please see flyers attached from Move More for their February half-term camp and their Learn to Cycle Balanceability sessions.

Forthcoming Dates

- Monday 30th Jan - Thurs 2nd Feb Y6 Bikeability Sessions
- Friday 10th February Y1 Trip to The Wilson Museum AM
- Friday 10th February Y4 PTFA After School Sale PM
- Monday 13th February Rec & Y6 Height & Weight Checks All Day
- Friday 17th February PTFA Non-Uniform Day £1.00 donation
- **Friday 17th February** **End of Spring Term 1**
- **Monday 20th – Friday 24th Feb** **February Half-Term**
- **Monday 27th February** **Start of Spring Term 2**
- Thursday 16th March Reception Workshop at The Wilson Museum Details to follow
- **Friday 31st March** **End of Spring Term 2**
- **Monday 3rd – Friday 14th April** **Easter Holidays**
- **Monday 17th April** **Start of Summer Term 1 – All Children return to school today**
- Monday 17th April Reception Admissions (Sept 2023) Allocation Day
- Monday 1st May May Bank Holiday – **School Closed**
- Monday 8th May Bank Holiday for Kings Coronation – **School Closed**
- Friday 26th May **End of Summer Term 1 (Normal finish time)**
- **Monday 29th May – Fri 2nd June** **May Half-Term**
- **Monday 5th June** **Start of Summer Term 2 – All Children return to school today**

Yours sincerely,

Mr Kurt Doyle
Acting Headteacher