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Newsletter 1 - September 2024

Head Teachers Section - 13th September 2024

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Governors,

I am delighted to be able to write my first newsletter as the Headteacher of Holy Trinity CofE Primary School. I feel extremely privileged to have been chosen to become a part of your school community and build upon the success the school has already achieved under the leadership of Mr Doyle.

Having been a teacher for nearly 20 years, and a senior leader in a variety of roles for much of that time including two headships, I have gained a great deal of experience and a real passion for education. As a father of two girls, I am very conscious of the responsibility that the staff and I have in ensuring that the highest standard of teaching and learning continues to be achieved. I am blessed to lead an incredibly talented and dedicated team of staff at Holy Trinity, as well as some truly special and wonderful children, which is a great place for any new Headteacher to start. In a short time, I am already aware of what a truly special place Holy Trinity is and I'm honoured that I am now part of it.

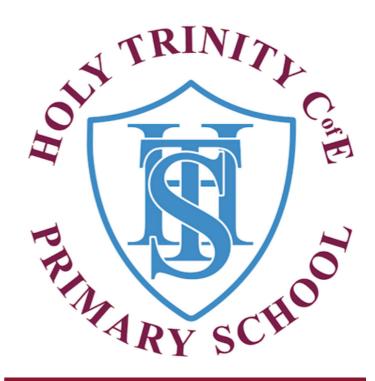
The needs of our children are always paramount in the life and decision making within a school. I strongly believe in providing our children with exciting, creative and meaningful learning experiences, which build their enthusiasm for learning and help them to grow and develop positively in a variety of ways. I think it is crucial to involve our children and their families as partners in their education. I am also keen on building a whole school community which thrives on mutual respect and values positive relationships.

I know how vital working in partnership with parents is in order for children to find school a positive and rewarding experience. As key educators in your children's lives, I feel that it is important that you have a voice. As a Headteacher I am approachable and will allocate time to listen to you. As such, I have arranged two 'Meet the Headteacher' sessions for Wednesday 2nd October which will be an informal opportunity to have a coffee, get to know me and my vision for Holy Trinity and to hopefully answer any questions you may have for me. I look forward to seeing you there.

Over the past few weeks, I have loved getting to know all of the children and I have really appreciated how many of you have made the time to say hello and introduce yourself in the playground. If you haven't already, please do come up and introduce yourselves at drop off or pick up - I am intending to be as visible as possible.

Kind regards,

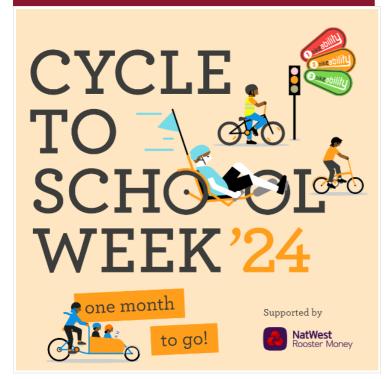
Mr. David Le Templier Head Teacher



Thank you from Mrs Matthews

I have been given the opportunity to extend an enormous thank you for the many generous messages, cards and gifts that parents and children so kindly gave me when I retired from Holy Trinity and teaching in July. It's an often-used phrase but I really was overwhelmed.

As I move on, I am looking forward to spending time with my grandchildren, renovating my new home and indulging in long-neglected hobbies, but I know that I will always enjoy keeping up to date with the on-going success of Holy Trinity. Mrs Matthews



Calling all pupils and parents, #CycleToSchoolWeek is just around the corner! There's still time to get involved, simply choose cycling on your commute to help your health, your school, and the planet! ? Get pedalling at cycletoschoolweek.com

ASDA

Do you know you can help raise money for our school just by doing your usual grocery shop?

ASDA have launched a "Cash Pot for Schools" initiative whereby every $\mathfrak L1$ you spend in ASDA they donate 0.5p to school!

All you have to do is download the ASDA Rewards app. and select Holy Trinity C of E, (postcode GL52 2JP) and they'll do the rest!

More information here: https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools

Please spread the word to friends and family members too! We really appreciate your support

Nut Free School



Please be aware we have a number of children with severe nut allergies, no products containing nuts are permitted anywhere on school grounds.

This includes but is not limited to:

- Peanut butter
- Nutella, or similar spreads
- · Cereal bars containing nuts
- Pastries or cakes containing nuts



October Tech Camps are the perfect opportunity for childcare that does more; enjoy a week of Halloween fun and outstanding education!

Spaces are LIMITED so book now to avoid disappointment. This camp is £45 per day, and we have a special offer of £175 for 5 days, which works out as only £35 per day!

Book here: https://www.nextthing.education/product/dean-close-prep-school-october-camp/

CTFC Football Club

Cheltenham Town Football Club will again be running two football clubs after school on Wednesdays, 15:15-16:15, starting 18th September.

You can book these sessions online using the links below or click the flyers for more information.

- Year 1 and Year 2 Mixed Gender Football
- Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Girls Football

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CTFC are currently investigating if they have capacity to facilitate a boys KS2 football club and we will let you know when we recieve updates regarding this.

Reminder

If you need to enter the school building, please use the Main Office entrance into school only.

All other entrances into school are for pupils and staff only. If you need to speak to a member of staff please email them or contact the school office to arrange a meeting.

Brownies

If your daughter is aged between 7-10 years old they may be interested in joining the Brownie group that meets at Holy Trinity School on a Wednesday evening from 6.00pm -7.30pm.To find out more please click here.



You can also contact the Brownies via email here for more information.

Secondary Open Days 2024

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Cleeve School - Open Days 2024-25

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Balcarras School - Open Week 2024





Denmark Road High School

Discover Realise Honour Shape



OPEN EVENTS

Open Mornings Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th October 8.45-10.30am Headteacher Welcome Talk at 9am Open Evening
Tuesday 8th October
5-8pm
Headteacher Welcome
Talks at 5.15pm and
6.30pm

Join us for the Denmark Road experience. No booking required.

Denmark Road High School, Gloucester, GL1 3JN

PTFA

The Parents, Teachers and Friends Association (PTFA) would like to say a massive THANK YOU to Nicola Archer, outgoing chair and Kate Westmacott, treasurer, for their hard work and commitment to the PTFA over the last four years (at least). After lockdown they raised significant funds and support to refresh the playground and provide a library for the children. Their achievement will have lasting impact we are very grateful for all they have done to give the PTFA great foundations going forward.

The PTFA organises and runs a variety of social events and activities over the course of the year, raising funds for the school. We are looking for parent reps from each year group. If you would like to know more about the PTFA (what it does and how you could be involved) or would like to volunteer in any way, Catherine Pearson from the PTFA will be in the playground at 3.15pm on Wednesday 18th September and would love to meet you.

School Lunches

If you pay for school lunches (Years 3-6) please remember to top up your child's Parent Pay account. Lunches must be paid for in advance and accounts must remain in credit. (If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals, you do not need to pay.)

Reminder - Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 do not pay for lunches as they qualify for Universal Free School Meals.

Forthcoming Dates

Monady 23rd September	R children start full time
Wednesday 25th September	First Y4 Swimming
Monday 23rd - Friday 27th September	Cycle to School Week
Tuesday 1st October	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Wednesday 2nd October	R Joiners Service 2-3pm
Friday 4th October	Y3 Literature Festival Trip
Monday 7th October	Y4 Literature Festival Trip
Tuesday 8th October	Y6 Literature Festival Trip
Wednesday 9th October	Y2 & Y5 Literature Festival Trip
Wednesday 9th - Friday 11th October	Y6 Residential to Whitemoor Lakes
Wednesday 16th October	REHEARSAL for Harvest Festival
Thursday 17th October	Havest Festival at Trinity Church, 1:30-3:15pm
Tuesday 15th October	Individual School Photos
Tuesday 12th November & Thursday 14th November	Parents Evening - details to follow
Wednesday 9th April	REHEARSAL Easter Service
Thursday 10th April	Easter Service 1:30-3pm
Wednesday 16th July	Y6 Leavers' Service