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## Newsletter 2 - September 2024

### Head Teachers Section

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Governors,

It's been another busy few weeks at Holy Trinity with lots of exciting learning going on in the classrooms. Having settled in to our routines, I've been really impressed by the behaviour and attitudes displayed by many of the children around the school as well as the productive feel you get in all of the classrooms. Again, I want to say thank you to everyone who has made me feel so welcome at school and has made the effort to introduce themselves. It's only been four weeks and I am feeling very much at home.

I was lucky enough to visit Holy Trinity Church last weekend as part of the 'Big Weekend' celebrations and got to see the school's contribution on full display in the church. I am so incredibly proud of what the year 4 and 5 children helped to produce. The final product looked stunning! Thank you to all of the children for their hard work.



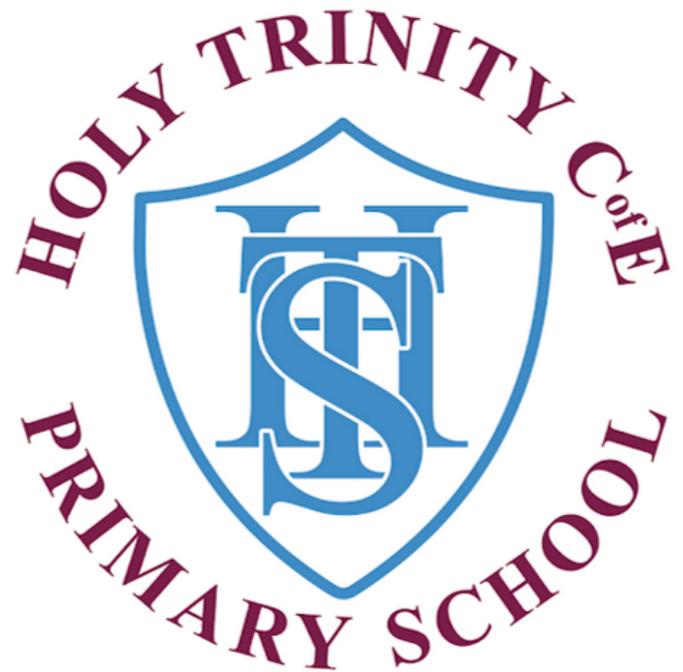
importance if any child is to be successful in their education. Whilst attendance so far this year is very good, currently above national averages, I have noticed that a number of children are repeatedly coming in to school after the 8:50am expectation. Please be aware that if your child does not get into school before the gates close at 8:50, they will receive a late mark which negatively impacts their overall attendance. They also miss out on vital learning time which will ultimately impact what they will achieve at Holy Trinity.

Later this week I will be sharing a revised attendance policy and letter outlining the governmental changes made to attendance monitoring, which became statutory on August 19<sup>th</sup>, and I urge you all to read this carefully. These documents will include information about the penalty charges which will be issued to parents for unauthorised holidays taken during term time.

Finally, a reminder that our 'Meet the Headteacher' sessions will be taking place on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 9:15am and 5:00pm and should last about 45 minutes. During the session you'll get to know more about me as well as hear my vision for Holy Trinity moving forward.

Kind regards,

Mr. David Le Templier  
Head Teacher



### Lunchboxes



As a school we encourage healthy eating, if you send your child to school with a packed lunch it is important they have a balanced and nutritious

meal so that they have the energy and focus

As we are more established in to the term, I feel compelled to mention attendance which I know you'll be aware is of vital

they need to thrive at school.

You can find great ideas for packed lunches using the link below, as always please remember we are a nut free school.

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## Appointments and Visits in School Time

If your child is going to miss part of the school day we ask that you please submit an absence form in advance.

Please fill in as much detail as possible on the form, including where they are going and timings of absence, if they will be missing morning registration but returning before lunch we also require their lunch choice.

## NEW MENU

Please be advised our new dinner menu will start after half term, week commencing 4th November 2024.

You can view and download the menu below, if your child has an allergy or intolerance these will be provided in due course.

[https://holychurchgloucestershire.schoolzineplus.co.uk/\\_file/media/940/gcc\\_autumn\\_winter\\_2024\\_2025\\_menu.pdf](https://holychurchgloucestershire.schoolzineplus.co.uk/_file/media/940/gcc_autumn_winter_2024_2025_menu.pdf)

## Picture Menu

### CTFC Football Club

Cheltenham Town Football Club are running two football clubs after school on Wednesdays, 15:15-16:15.

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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## Reception 2025 Open Days

We have now confirmed dates for our Reception 2025 Open days - please share the link below with anyone you know of that may be interested



"Pupils feel happy and safe."

"Children in the early years get off to a strong start."

"Positive relationships are at the heart of the school's culture."

"The school provides high-quality pastoral support."

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## Is your child due to start school in September 2025?

We are delighted to be able to invite you to look around our happy, nurturing and inclusive school where the children are at the heart of everything we do.

### Our Open Days are:

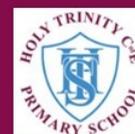
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2025 at 9:30am  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 1:45pm  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 9:15am  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 9:15am  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November at 1:45pm  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 9:15am

Please visit our school website to book a place.

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[www.holytrinity.gloucs.sch.uk](http://www.holytrinity.gloucs.sch.uk)



## ASDA - Fundraising

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 £1 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

## Values Certificates 27/09/24

HUGE well done to the following children who received a celebration certificate in our weekly Celebration Worship!

**Reception** - The whole class for settling in so wonderfully at Holy Trinity!

**Year 1** - Johana and Innes

**Year 2** - Evan and Heidi

**Year 3** - Teddie and Lois

**Year 4** - Evie and Abigail

**Year 5** - Nico and Dawid

**Year 6** - Humphrey and Torin



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/>

### Forthcoming Dates

Tuesday 1st October	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Wednesday 2nd October	Reception 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	Harvest Festival at Trinity Church, 1:30-3:15pm
Tuesday 15th October	Individual School Photos
Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November	Half Term - School Closed
Tuesday 3rd December	Y4 Viking Day
Wednesday 11th December	REHEARSAL Christmas Service
Thursday 12th December	Christmas Service at Trinity Church 13:30-15:15
Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January 2025	Christmas Holidays - School Closed
Monday 6th January 2025	INSET Day - School closed to pupils
Tuesday 12th November & Thursday 14th November	Parents Evening - details to follow
Monday 17th - Friday 21st February	Half Term - School Closed
Thursday 6th March	World Book Day
Wednesday 9th April	REHEARSAL Easter Service
Thursday 10th April	Easter Service 1:30-3pm
Wednesday 16th July	Y6 Leavers' Service