

Holy Trinity CE Primary School, Rothwell Newsletter



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Welcome

On behalf of all our staff and governors, we hope you had an enjoyable and restful summer holiday albeit a little wet!

I am thrilled to share that we have already had a brilliant start to the new term. Our children have been amazing and returned with such a positive attitude, and coped superbly with the incredibly warm start to the term. It has been great to hear the laughter and chatter in the corridors, in classes and on the playground again. Apologies that our school field is looking more like meadow—we hope to be back looking our usual self again shortly. Our ride –on lawn mower broke just before we returned to school and we are waiting for it to be repaired.

Key calendar dates are included in this newsletter, and will be on the website. I know as a parent myself how important it can be to put key dates in our diaries as soon as possible. You will see the current draft calendar includes dates such as Odd Sock day or similar although this is about the only date when I could "rustle something up for my own children" on the morning! Whilst these are subject to change and there will likely be additional activities and dates we will try to give you as much notice as possible.

We know the importance of opportunities our young people to invite their parents and/or carers into school to celebrate their successes. You will notice there are already some events timetabled: meet the teacher sessions for year 1 to year 6 and our autumn parent consultations. To help you feel kept up to date with what is happening in your child's class we will also be sharing half termly curriculum newsletters which were introduced last year.

We were thrilled last year that we were able to run a number of clubs, trips and visitors. We plan to do the same again this year and will share with you after school club timetables shortly.

This half term we are pleased to re-invite the Leeds United foundation back to work with us. They will be running PE sessions for a number of classes throughout this term, together with lunchtime and after school clubs. We are pleased to welcome a new member to our staff, Mr Makin. He joins us as a teaching assistant working predominantly in upper KS2. Mr Makin is also a sports coach and has run sports clubs inside an outside of school. Your children may have already shared details of activities that Mr Makin has arranged at lunchtimes. He is like the Pied Piper with more children joining his sessions every day!

I would also like to share a huge welcome to our new school families as our youngest children begin to settle in to their new school.

Mrs G Marsland

Head of School

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Harvest Festival

One of our first events, will be our Harvest Festival at Holy Trinity Church on Monday 10th October at 1.30pm . All our school families are welcome.

For our families who feel able we will be taking harvest donations which we will be sharing with Leeds South & East Foodbank we will be collecting these from week commencing 25th September. Donations can be left with class teachers.



A new PTA?



You are probably aware that some key members of our PTA left at the end of last year as their children moved to secondary school. We would love to re-launch and re-vamp our PTA so please come and speak to me if you'd like to get involved.

Attendance

It has been great that so far attendance in most classes has been high, thank you for your continued support with this.

Our children remain excited during our celebration worship when we announce the weekly winners. The winning class for the first week back was:



LOST PROPERTY

Whilst we do remind children to pick up their jumpers, water bottles etc we still have a huge number which are misplaced. If these items are named we can return them to their owners! Please, please name your child's property. On a Monday and a Friday, we will be putting Lost Property boxes outside of the main office so please feel free to take a rummage if you have lost anything.

PARKING

We appreciate that Queensway is a tricky road to navigate. However, please take care when parking at drop off and collection and follow the highway code! We have had some near misses with parking on pavements and footpaths. We would also ask that you respect out neighbours and take care when parking. It is better to be a few minutes late rather than to park somewhere that is unsafe.

Meet The Teacher

For children in year 1 to year 6, class teachers will be hosting a short meeting after school. This will be a chance for teachers to share key messages about reading, routines, trips and visits etc.

YEAR GROUP	DATE
Year 1	Friday 29th September
Year 2	Monday 25th September
Year 3	Friday 22nd September
Year 4	Tuesday 26th September
Year 5/6	Thursday 28th September

Celebration Assembly

Most Fridays we hold a collective worship for the whole school during which time we also: issue attendance prizes, Head of School certificates for children meeting our school values or weekly ethos statement. Please not our youngest children will not attend initially. Miss Robinson will let our parents of children in reception know when they will be in attendance!

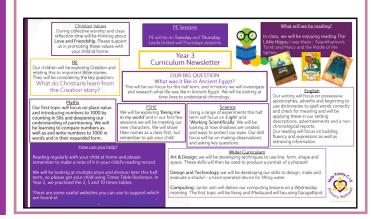
The celebration assemblies are held at 2.40pm on a Friday afternoon. If you child/children will be receiving an award we will aim to notify you Thursday evening.



We also celebrate successes outside of school so if your child has received an award, certificate, badge, acknowledgement outside of school —for example a swimming award — which they would like to share then we happily present these also in assembly. Please send any awards, together with details (a short note if one is needed) is fine to the school office by 9am on a Friday morning.

Class Curriculum Newsletter

This will continue this year and all our parents and carers with children in years 1 to year 6 should now have received a link to our website where these can be found.



School Calendar Events

AUTUMN TERM HALF TERM ONE_version 1		
SEPTEMBER		
Wednesday 20th September	Ark closed for staff training (afternoon session only)	
Friday 22nd September	Year 3 Meet The Teacher (in the classroom after school)	
Monday 25 th September	Year 6 Bikeability	
Monday 25 th September	Year 2 Meet The Teacher (in the classroom after school)	
Tuesday 26 th September	Year 6 Bikeability	
Tuesday 26 th September	Year 4 Meet The Teacher (in the classroom after school)	
Thursday 28th September	Year 5/6 Meet The Teacher (in the classroom)	
Friday 29 th September	Year 1 Meet The Teacher (in the classroom)	
OCTOBER		
Tuesday 3rd October	Year 3 & Year 5 Scooter Training	
Monday 9th October	1.30pm Harvest Festival (Holy Trinity CofE Church)	
Monday 9th October	5.30pm Governor's Meeting	
Tuesday 10th October	3.45 – 5.00pm Parents Evening Session 1	
Monday 16 th October	Individual and sibling school photographs (in school)	
Tuesday 17th October	Year 2 Trip Lotherton Hall	
Thursday 19th October	4.00 – 6.00pm Parents Evening Session 2	
Friday 20th October	Show Racism The Red Card (in school – wear something	
	red to school)	
Friday 27 th October	School closes for half term	
AUTUMN TERM HALF TERM TWO		
NOVEMBER		
Monday 6 th November	School opens	
Monday 13th November	Anti-bullying (wear odd socks to school day)	
w/c Monday 20th November	Internal school assessments	
Tuesday 21st November	Reception, Year 1, Year 2 & Year 4 Road Safety	
DECEMBER		
Wednesday 6th December	Oliver The Musical (after school) – invites already issued	
	and bookings taken	
Friday 8th December	National Christmas Jumper Day (children can wear a	
	Christmas jumper to school)	
Friday 15th December	Reception & KS1 Nativity (dress rehearsal)	
Monday 18th December	Reception & KS1 Nativity Performance 1 (pm)	
Tuesday 19th December	Reception & KS1 Nativity Performance 2 (am)	
Thursday 21st December	1.30pm Whole School church Service (Holy Trinty CofE	
	Church)	
Thursday 21st December	School closes for Christmas	
Friday 22nd December	School Closed (Training Day)	

Holy Trinity Church Events

Regular Sunday Service at 9.30am	
First Sunday each month Family Church in the Church Hall at 9.30am	
Third Sunday in Church is All Age Communion Service at 9.30am NOTE: Sunday 24 th September is Harvest Festival	
Last Sunday each month is Message Café in the Church Hall 10.00 – 11.30am (30 th September – 28 th October – 25 th November)	
Sunday 8 th October 2pm Pet Service (outside Church) Pease bring your pet and give thanks and celebrate our pets	

Welcome Reverend Mark

I had the pleasure of attending Reverend Mark's installation and induction ceremony at Holy Trinity CofE Church back in July and meet him over the holidays, showing him around our school. There was, however, definitely something very important missing!

It was great last week to be able to introduce Reverend Mark to our children, staff and parents. Reverend Mark told our children about his family, his early life, spending time working South Africa and meeting Nelson Mandela and a little about what the role of a vicar involves.

Reverend Mark shared some of his hobbies which like many of our children, school families, governors and staff includes following Leeds United and Yorkshire County Cricket.

We are all really looking forward to working closely with Reverend Mark and the wider Church community this year. Our first event in Church this year will be on Monday 9th October at 1.30pm for our Harvest Festival. Reverend Mark will be there also. We would love to see many of our school families and friends there too.

Another diary date:

Holy Trinity Church Harvest Festival service is 9.30am on Sunday 24th September.



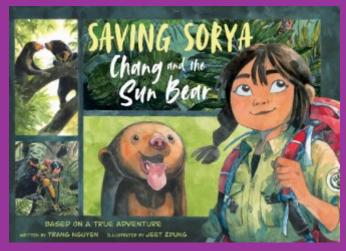






The Carnegie Book Awards

Last summer, you may be aware that we bought all of the short listed books for the illustration prize and shared these with our children. The winner was announced before the end of the term. The winning entry was



You can see for yourself

https://yotocarnegies.co.uk/illustration-shortlist-2023/

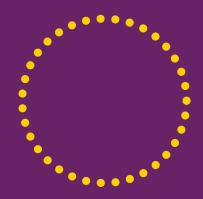
Introducing Mr Makin

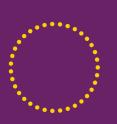
Here he is leading physical activities at lunchtime.











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