

Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 15 - 12th January 2024

Attendance

Attendance is extremely important and children must attend school every day unless they are unwell. If your child is absent, you must inform school via telephone or Parentapp by 9.15am to explain the reason why and the expected date of return. When your child returns to school you must provide them with a letter explaining their absence.



Class	N	Rec	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Cedar	Oak
Attendance % w/c 18/12/23	95.2	95.2	90.4	91.1	95	93.3	98.2	98.2	78.6	87.5
Piece this week	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Total pieces	4	6	1	8	4	6	3	8	0	4

Overall attendance is 95.4%

Welcome Back

Happy New Year and I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas. It has been lovely seeing the children back in school and excited to see their friends and teachers. We have lots of activities planned for the children this term so please ensure that you read all messages and letters which will be sent home electronically. Thanking you in advance for your support.

Nut Allergy

We have been informed that there are some children in our school that have severe nut allergies therefore all children **must not** bring any food containing nuts into school, this includes children who bring a packed lunch. Thank you for your understanding with this matter.

Class Information for week commencing Monday 15th January 2024



- **Monday** – P.E for Cedar, Oak, N, R, Y1, Y2, Y4 & Y5
- **Tuesday** – P.E. for Y1 & Y3, Cookery for Y1, Y2 & Y6, Forest School for Y4
- **Wednesday** – P.E. for Y6, Swimming for Y5, Gaelic football for Y5 & Y6
- **Thursday** – P.E. for N, R, Y3 & Y5, First Aid Training for Y6, Clarinets for Y4
- **Friday** – Spanish for Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6, P.E. for Y2 & Y6,

Reception School Admissions

Please be aware that Reception class admissions application window for 2024 is now open for eligible parents/carers to make their applications.

The online application portal and all of the necessary admissions information, advice and guidance can be found online at www.liverpool.gov.uk/admissions.

Application closing date is **15th January 2024**. If you require any support with your application, please contact school on 0151 427 7466.

FSM

Please apply online for Free School Meals and get an instant decision. Remember, if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and you receive a qualifying benefit, make sure you apply, so the school gets the extra funding. For any Parents/Carers who are unsure whether they are eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) please use the link below:

<https://liverpool.gov.uk/benefits/free-school-meals/>

We ask all parents that qualify for Free School Meals to make the application as it provides vital funding for school. Thank you.

Dinner Monies

Please ensure all dinner money is paid into school on a Monday morning, either in an envelope to your child's class teacher or at the front office. School dinners cost £2.00 per day. If dinner money has not been paid you will be asked to provide a packed lunch for your child until the outstanding money has been paid. Thank you.

World Book Day

World Book Day will be taking place on Thursday 7th March 2024. Children may come into school dressed as their favourite character/ superhero or pyjamas. The day will be centred around our love of reading, the importance of reading for pleasure and other fun activities.



Mental Health and Wellbeing

We are excited to announce that our school will be working towards achieving the Wellbeing Award for Schools. In the coming weeks, we will be asking all stakeholders within our school community to complete a wellbeing survey. In addition to this we are also excited to inform you of our new Social, Emotional, and Mental Health (SEMH) newsletter. Watch out for the first edition of this which will be coming shortly! This will provide information in regards to mental health and wellbeing support offered in school for pupils and the wider community and update you on relevant information relating to this.

Weekly Prayer

Dear Lord Jesus,

*Please help me to be always ready
to make a new start
with you and with others
as we start this new year.*

Amen



Have a lovely weekend
Mrs H Raley - Williams
Headteacher

*"Walking in the footsteps of Jesus:
we care, we share, we love, we learn."*

Please visit our school website:

www.holytrinitycatholicprimaryschool.co.uk

Please visit our twitter page:

[@HolyTrinityGar](https://twitter.com/HolyTrinityGar)

Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 18 th January 2024	Y6 First Aid Training
Thursday 25 th January - Friday 2 nd February 2024	Bikeability for Y5 & Y6
Thursday 25 th January 2023	Young Voices singing at ASDA (Hunts Cross)
Monday 29 th January 2024	Year 6 Festival of Reading Session
Tuesday 30 th January 2024	EYFS Bat Talk
Friday 2 nd February 2024	Years 5 & 6 Festival of Reading Session
	Y5 Assembly for family members at 2.30pm
Tuesday 6 th February 2024	Young Voices Concert
Thursday 8 th February 2024	Y4 Farm to Fork
Friday 9 th February 2024	ZOOLAB for whole school
Friday 9 th February 2024	FINISH FOR HALF TERM AT NORMAL TIME
Monday 19 th February 2024	SCHOOL REOPENS AT NORMAL TIME
Tuesday 20 th February 2024	Y4 Viking Experience
Thursday 29 th February 2024	Y4 Farm to Fork
	Y6 Assembly for family members at 2.30pm
Thursday 7 th March 2024	Bishop Tom Williams visit to school
	World Book Day
Tuesday 19 th March 2024	Y1 & Y2 visit to Cathedral
Wednesday 27 th March 2024	Nursery Assembly for family members at 9.15am
Thursday 28 th March 2024	FINISH FOR EASTER HOLIDAY AT 2PM
Monday 15 th April 2024	SCHOOL REOPENS AT NORMAL TIME
Thursday 18 th April 2024	Farm to Fork for Y4
Thursday 25 th April 2024	Y4 Farm Visit
Monday 13 th May – Thursday 16 th May 2024	Y6 SATs
Friday 17 th May 2024	KS2 May Procession in Church 10.30am
Monday 20 th May 2024	Storybarn on the road for N – Y2
Tuesday 21 st May 2024	Storybarn on the road for Y3 – Y6
Thursday 23 rd May 2024	Y4 Farm to Fork
Friday 24 th May 2024	FINISH FOR HALF TERM AT NORMAL TIME
Monday 3 rd June 2024	SCHOOL REOPENS AT NORMAL TIME
Friday 21 st June 2024	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSET DAY
Friday 5 th July 2024	Y6 Ladywell Retreat
Tuesday 9 th July 2024	Y6 Leavers' Mass in Church
Thursday 11 th July 2024	Y4 Farm to Fork
Thursday 18 th July 2024	Y6 Leavers' Assembly
Friday 19 th July 2024	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR SUMMER AT 2PM

Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School 2023-2024 Term Dates

AUTUMN TERM 2023

Term 1a: Monday 4th September – Friday 27th October 2023 – 40 DAYS

HALF TERM HOLIDAY– Monday 30th October – Friday 3rd November 2023

Term 1b: Monday 6th November – Thursday 21st December 2023 – 34 DAYS

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY – Friday 22nd December 2023 – Monday 8th January 2024

SPRING TERM 2024

Term 2a: Tuesday 9th January – Friday 9th February 2024 - 24 DAYS

HALF TERM HOLIDAY – Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February 2024

Term 2b: Monday 19th February – Thursday 28th March 2024 – 29 DAYS

EASTER HOLIDAY– Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April 2024

SUMMER TERM 2024

Term 3a: Monday 15th April – Friday 24th May 2024 – 29 DAYS as **Monday 6th May is Bank Holiday**

HALF TERM HOLIDAY – Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024

Term 3b: Monday 3rd June – Friday 19th July – 34 DAYS as 1 INSET Day (Friday 21st June)

INSETS

Friday 1st September 2023, Monday 8th January 2024, Friday 21st June 2024 and Monday 22nd July 2024

Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School 2024-2025 Term Dates

AUTUMN TERM 2024

Term 1a: Tuesday 3rd September – Friday 25th October 2024 – 39 DAYS

HALF TERM HOLIDAY– Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November 2024

Term 1b: Monday 4th November – Thursday 19th December 2024 – 34 DAYS

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY – Friday 20th December 2024 – Monday 6th January 2025

SPRING TERM 2025

Term 2a: Tuesday 7th January – Friday 14th February 2025 - 29 DAYS

HALF TERM HOLIDAY – Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February 2025

Term 2b: Monday 24th February – Friday 4th April 2025 – 30 DAYS

EASTER HOLIDAY– Monday 7th April – Monday 21st April 2025

SUMMER TERM 2025

Term 3a: Tuesday 22nd April – Friday 23rd May 2025 – 23 DAYS as **Monday 5th May is Bank Holiday**

HALF TERM HOLIDAY – Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May 2025

Term 3b: Monday 2nd June – Friday 18th July 2025 – 35 DAYS

INSETS

Monday 2nd September 2024 and Monday 6th January 2025

Top Tips for SETTING UP PARENTAL CONTROLS ON NEW DEVICES

In children's eagerness to start enjoying new digital gadgets immediately, it can be easy to overlook setting up the type of parental controls that can help to protect them online. If you don't sort those out from the very start, it can be an uphill battle – technologically and psychologically – to impose such controls later. Here's our rundown of what to look for when setting up the various internet-enabled devices that might be lurking under the tree at this time of year.

IPHONE

If your child's lucky enough to be getting their own iPhone, parental controls can help avoid issues like screen addiction and unsuitable content. Go into the settings and scroll down to 'Screen Time'. From here you can customise important settings including time limits on using the device, communication restrictions and content blockers. You can also lock your changes behind a passcode.

ANDROID

With Android devices, Google's Family Link app is your friend. You'll need a Google account – and a separate one for your child, which you should use when first setting up the device. Then, in Family Link on your own device, select 'Add Child' and enter their account details. This lets you specify limits on daily usage, restrict certain apps, block particular content and more.

PLAYSTATION

You can prep for a PlayStation before it's even unwrapped. At my account.sony.com, create an account, then go to Account Management > Family Management > Add Family Member to set up your child's account, which you'll use to sign in on the console. You can restrict the age ratings of the games they can play and who they can talk to. On the PS5, you can make exceptions for any games you think are acceptable despite their high age rating.

IPAD

iPad parental controls are identical to those on iPhones. However, if you've got a shared family iPad and want to ensure your children aren't seeing anything age-inappropriate after you hand them the device, there's a feature called Guided Access (under Settings > Accessibility > Guided Access). With this switched on, young ones can only use the app that's currently open.

XBOX

The Xbox Family Settings app helps you manage which games your child can play (and when). You'll need to set up the console with your own account and then add a child profile. Make sure your account's password protected, so your child can't alter your choices later. You'll be walked through the functions at setup, but you can also reach them manually via Settings > Account > Family Settings.

NINTENDO SWITCH

Download the Nintendo Switch Parental Controls app on your phone, and you'll be shown how to link it to the console. Once that's done, you can limit how long your child can play each day, decide what age ratings are permitted and more. You'll also get weekly updates on how often they've used the device. These controls are accessible through the console itself, but the app is usually easier.

WINDOWS 11 PCs

On Windows 11, account management is key. Set up the device with your own account as the admin. Then go to Settings > Accounts > Family and Other Users and create your child's account (if you've already done this on a previous PC, just log in with those details). Microsoft Family Safety (either the app or the site) then lets you control screen time, what content children can view and more.

CHROMEBOOKS

Chromebooks' parental controls are managed via the Family Link app. Unlike an Android device, however, you need set up the Chromebook with your own account first, then add your child's. Go to Settings > People > Add Person and input your child's Google account details (or create a new account). Your child can then log in, and you can monitor what they're up to via Family Link.

MACS

Like iPhones, parental controls for Macs are managed via the Screen Time settings. Again, the crux here is to set yourself up as the administrator before adding any child accounts. In the settings, look for Users & Groups to create your child's account, then – while on their profile – use the screen time options to place any boundaries around apps, usage and who your child can communicate with (and vice versa).

SMART TVS

Smart TVs typically have their own individual parental controls. One of the most popular brands is Samsung – and on their TVs, you can control the content available to your child. In the Settings menu, under 'Broadcasting', you can lock channels and restrict content by its age rating. Even this isn't foolproof, however; some apps (like YouTube) might still let children access unsuitable material.

Meet Our Expert

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

SPRING TERM 2024

'COME AND SEE' AT HOME.....

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

This term we will be studying the three themes of Local Church (Community), Eucharist (Relating) and Lent/Easter (Giving). Each class will approach the themes through different topics:

LOCAL CHURCH - COMMUNITY

9th January – 2nd February 2024

Early Years	CELEBRATING - People celebrate in Church
Year 1	SPECIAL PEOPLE - People in the parish family
Year 2	BOOKS - The books used in Church
Year 3	JOURNEYS – How Christian families journey with Christ
Year 4	COMMUNITY - Life in the local Christian community and ministries in the parish
Year 5	MISSION - Continuing Jesus' mission in diocese (ecumenism)
Year 6	SOURCES - The Bible, the special book for the Church

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Explore the Diocesan website www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk looking in particular at our parish, the Parish of St. Wilfrid, the number of churches and finding out about our archbishop. Read Bible stories together or encourage older children to read a child's Bible.

EUCHARIST - RELATING

5th February – 1st March 2024

Early Years	GATHERING - Parish family gathers to celebrate Eucharist
Year 1	MEALS - Mass, Jesus' special meal
Year 2	THANKSGIVING - Mass, a special time to thank God
Year 3	LISTENING & SHARING - Jesus gives himself to us
Year 4	GIVING & RECEIVING - Living in communion
Year 5	MEMORIAL SACRIFICE - Eucharist as the living memorial of Christ's sacrifice
Year 6	UNITY - Eucharist enabling people to live in communion

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Look through family photograph albums/digital images to help your children remember important events and special people in their lives. Discuss how we come together for special celebrations, especially the Sacraments.

LENT/EASTER - GIVING

4th March – 28th March 2023

Early Year	GROWING - Looking forward to Easter
Year 1	CHANGE - Lent: a time for change
Year 2	OPPORTUNITIES - Lent: an opportunity to start anew
Year 3	GIVING ALL - Lent: remembering Jesus' total giving
Year 4	SELF DISCIPLINE - Celebrating growth to new life
Year 5	SACRIFICE - Lent: a time of aligning with the sacrifice made by Jesus
Year 6	DEATH & NEW LIFE - Celebrating Jesus' death and resurrection

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

As a family, talk about how you are going to practice self-control and self-giving for the season of Lent. You may decide to give up biscuits or cakes etc. and donate the money to a charity. If you have an older child, provide him/her with an opportunity to take part in The Stations of the Cross. Ask your child/ren how the school is focusing on Lent and self-giving.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THIS TERM

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7th January

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

8th January

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

2nd February

ASH WEDNESDAY

14th February

ST DAVID, BISHOP, PATRON OF WALES

1st March

ST PATRICK, BISHOP, PATRON OF IRELAND

17th March

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

24th March

MAUNDY THURSDAY

28th March

GOOD FRIDAY

29th March

EASTER SUNDAY

31st March

CLASS ASSEMBLIES FOR THIS TERM

LOCAL CHURCH – YEAR 5

Friday, 2nd February at 2:30pm

EUCARIST – YEAR 6

Thursday 29th February at 2:30pm

LENT/EASTER - NURSERY

Wednesday 27th March at 9:15am

LIVERPOOL LITERACY CYCLE

2024 YEAR OF WRITING

Welcome and formal handover by
Lord Mayor Cllr Mary Rasmussen

1PM - 4PM

SATURDAY 20TH JANUARY

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