

Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 11 - 24th November 2023

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 % | 98.8 | 92.4 | 90 | 98.2 | 93.3 | 98.5 | 96.4 | 92.1 | 70 | 100 |
| Piece this week | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Total pieces | 4 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 3 |

Overall attendance is 95.4%

Girls' Football Competition

A huge well done to the Y5 and Y6 Girls' Football Team who took part in an Everton in the Community competition at Jericho Lane today. The girls played extremely well and were praised for their effort, teamwork and commitment. Well done girls!

Class Information for week commencing Monday 27th November 2023



- **Monday** – P.E for Cedar, Oak, N, R, Y1, Y2, Y4 & Y5, MGL for Y3 & Y5
- **Tuesday** – P.E. for Y1 & Y3, Cookery for Y3, Y4, Y5, Forest School for Y5
- **Wednesday** – Swimming for Y4, P.E. for Y6, Little Readers' Parent Workshop
- **Thursday** – P.E. for N, R, Y3 & Y5
- **Friday** – Spanish for Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6, P.E. for Y2 & Y6, Own clothes day for bottle tombola donations



Once again, thank you from the PTFA for your generous donations of chocolate for our tombola. The chocolate tombola will take place after school on Friday 1st December.

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.

Weekly P.E. Timetable

| Class | <u>Days</u> |
|-----------|-------------------------------|
| Nursery | Monday & Thursday |
| Reception | Monday & Thursday |
| Year 1 | Monday & Tuesday |
| Year 2 | Monday & Friday |
| Year 3 | Tuesday & Thursday |
| Year 4 | Monday & Wednesday (Swimming) |
| Year 5 | Monday & Thursday |
| Year 6 | Wednesday & Friday |
| Cedar | Monday |
| Oak | Monday |

PTFA Events Throughout December After School

Friday 1st December 2023

Chocolate Tombola

Friday 8th December 2023

Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 14th December 2023

Hot Chocolate, Mince Pies & Gingerbread

Monday 18th December 2023

Bottle Tombola

Throughout December raffle tickets will be on sale and the draw will take place on Tuesday 19th December 2023.

Weekly Prayer

Dear Lord Jesus,

*Please help me to see you in everyone I meet,
and be kind to all, especially to those
that I sometimes find it difficult to love*

Amen



Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs H Raley - Williams
Headteacher

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

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www.holytrinitycatholicprimaryschool.co.uk

Please visit our twitter page:

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

Dates for Your Diary

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| Monday 27 th November – Friday 1 st December | Assessment Week |
| Wednesday 29 th November 2023 | Reconciliation Classes for Year 4 |
| Wednesday 6 th December 2023 | KS1 Christmas Performance 10.00am |
| Friday 8 th December 2023 | Christmas Jumper Day |
| Monday 11 th December 2023 | Year 4 First Confession in Church |
| Tuesday 12 th December 2023 | Y1 – Y6 Christmas Panto at Everyman |
| Wednesday 13 th December 2023 | Advent Mass for Y4 & Y5 at 10am in Church |
| | Christmas Dinner |
| Thursday 14 th December 2023 | EYFS Christmas Performance at 10.00am |
| Friday 15 th December 2023 | Y4 Assembly for Family Members at 9.15 |
| | KS2 Carol Service in Church at 1.30pm |
| Monday 18 th December 2023 | Advent Mass for Y3 & Y6 at 10am in Church |
| Tuesday 19 th December 2023 | Christmas Party Day |
| Thursday 21 st December 2023 | FINISH FOR CHRISTMAS AT 2.00pm |
| Monday 8 th January 2024 | INSET DAY |
| Tuesday 9 th January 2024 | SCHOOL REOPENS AT NORMAL TIME |
| | Y6 Empathy Workshop |
| Thursday 18 th January 2024 | Y6 First Aid Training |
| Thursday 25 th January - Friday 2 nd February 2024 | Bikeability for Y5 & Y6 |
| Tuesday 6 th February 2024 | Young Voices Concert |
| Friday 9 th February 2024 | FINISH FOR HALF TERM AT NORMAL TIME |
| Monday 19 th February 2024 | SCHOOL REOPENS AT NORMAL TIME |
| Tuesday 29 th February 2024 | Y4 Viking Experience |
| Thursday 7 th March 2024 | Bishop Tom Williams visit to school |
| Tuesday 19 th March 2024 | Y1 & Y2 visit to Cathedral |
| Friday 5 th April 2024 | Y6 Coping with Challenges Workshop |
| 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 |
| Friday 24 th May 2024 | FINISH FOR HALF TERM AT NORMAL TIME |
| Monday 3 rd June 2024 | SCHOOL REOPENS AT NORMAL TIME |
| Friday 5 th July 2024 | Y6 Ladywell Retreat |
| Tuesday 9 th July 2024 | Y6 Leavers' Mass in Church |
| 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

RESONATE YOUTH PHILHARMONIC

Open Day

Saturday 9th December 2023

10.00am – 4.00pm

Notre Dame Catholic College, L5 5AF

Free orchestral rehearsals and workshops with professional musicians from the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra

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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SMART TVs

Smart TVs connect to the internet without the need for a set-top box or streaming device, letting users access a range of features through the TV set itself, from on-demand content apps like BBC iPlayer to streaming services such as Netflix, as well as connecting to smartphones and other wireless devices. Most new televisions are internet enabled – so whether you're thinking of upgrading your home viewing system or buying an additional TV for your child's room, it's now even more important to consider the online safety aspects.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

From Netflix to Disney+ to Prime Video, there is a plethora of streaming services available. While these services offer content catering for younger viewers, they also provide material for more mature audiences. If you don't have parental controls set up on your accounts, your child could find themselves being exposed to shows and movies with adult themes, strong language and violence.

INCREASED SCREEN TIME

The array of content available through smart TVs could lead to your child spending excessive amounts of time in front of the screen. Not only can prolonged screen time distract from important activities such as schoolwork or exercise, but experts have also warned that endless hours in front of the box can lead to health problems including obesity, poor sleeping patterns and depression.

REMOTE-CONTROL RETAIL

Like many online devices, smart TVs facilitate digital purchases: buying a new app or the latest season of a favourite show, for example. If your child has access to a bank card and isn't restricted by spending controls on the system, they could run up a sizeable bill through a smart TV fairly quickly – especially if they're not quite old enough to fully appreciate the value of money.

UNCONVINCING SECURITY

As Internet of Things (IoT) devices, smart TVs can be uniquely vulnerable to attack. Experts warn that internet-enabled TVs tend not to support high-level security software, so you won't always be able to download strong antivirus programmes like you would on a phone or computer, being targeted by hackers could be deeply upsetting for your child, as well as putting their personal data at risk.

A SILENT SPY?

Some smart TVs already collect data on users' viewing habits and then display targeted advertising based on that personal information – while there have also been reports of internet-enabled TVs (and the apps installed on them) being used to 'eavesdrop' on owners. In models with a built-in microphone (for voice activation), third parties could potentially listen in on someone's home life.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

Many smart TVs can be used for web browsing, social media and live streaming – all of which could allow unknown users to contact your child (or vice versa). If your child engages with these functions of the TV, a stranger could potentially discover their contact information and potentially then use it to obtain even more sensitive personal details, such as your home address.

Advice for Parents & Carers

MAKE IT A FAMILY THING

Family TV time is a great way to model the responsible enjoyment of technology – showing your child how to use the smart TV safely for when they're old enough to watch it independently. You could also take this opportunity to establish some healthy TV boundaries, such as time limits on their daily viewing or how to make sure they're only watching content that's appropriate for their age.

CREATE CHILD PROFILES

Much like with smartphones and tablets, apps can be downloaded onto smart TVs: from free content platforms such as BBC iPlayer to paid-for services like Prime Video. Most of these apps allow you to create a separate account for your child which has different settings to your own – suggesting more child-friendly material and reducing the possibility of them viewing explicit content.

SET UP PARENTAL CONTROLS

It's likely that your smart TV has built-in parental controls, which not only let you filter out age-inappropriate shows, movies and games but can also restrict in-app purchasing, so your child can't accidentally spend money through the device. When you've enabled these safeguards, have an open conversation with your child about the reasons, helping them to understand the potential risks.

CONSIDER THE LOCATION

If you're concerned about the online safety hazards that a smart TV might pose to your child, you could consider where in your home you put the device. The safest option would be to place the smart TV in a shared family space – so that an adult is usually nearby and able to supervise while your child's watching it – rather than in the relative privacy of a bedroom.

Meet Our Expert

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MEASLES

Don't let your child catch it
– get them vaccinated with the MMR vaccine

Measles symptoms include: high fever; sore, red, watery eyes; coughing; aching and feeling generally unwell; a blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears after the initial symptoms.

The number of young people catching measles has risen. It's never too late to be vaccinated. You need two doses of MMR one month apart to be fully protected against measles, mumps and rubella.

It's time to make measles a disease of the past.

If you have symptoms of measles, stay at home and phone your GP or NHS 111 for advice. **STAY AWAY** from GP surgeries and A&E departments – you could spread the illness to others.



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Starting nursery?

When your child starts nursery they will be learning and playing with more children. If they are not up to date with their jabs, they could be at risk of catching preventable diseases.



Check their personal health record (Red Book) and contact their GP surgery to ensure your child has had all their routine vaccinations. To get the best protection for your child, they need to have had two doses of MMR vaccine and be up to date with all their routine vaccinations.

For a full checklist of all the vaccines and the ages at which they should ideally be given visit:

www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations

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