



Holy Trinity C of E Primary Academy & Nursery



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Dear Parents and Carers,

My first week as your new Principal has flown by and it has been an absolute pleasure getting to know the children and the staff. It's been great meeting many of you and if you haven't had the opportunity to say hello then please stop me for a chat. If you do have any serious concerns then do not hesitate to contact me immediately through the school office.

It will take me a while to become more familiar with the school and the children but one thing for certain is that that Holy Trinity possesses wonderful pupils and a very dedicated staff, who are wholly committed to improving outcomes for your children. I feel privileged to be able to work alongside them and look forward to continuing our exciting school improvement journey.

Our aim is to make Holy Trinity the very best school that it can be and at least 'good' by Ofsted standards within the next two years. There is a great deal of work to be done to achieve this so it is imperative that all of us work closely together to benefit each and every child. The school has very high expectations of what can be achieved so it is essential that parents and carers feel the same.

Lateness

I have been monitoring the car park, the school gates and entrances this week. Whilst I appreciate that the mornings can be quite a rush for parents and carers, it is essential that your child arrives at school on time each day.

Morning Registration takes place at **8.55am** so after this time children are actually late for school. We therefore need children to be in their classroom ready to start learning at this time. To support our parents and carers the school will be open to pupils from **8.35AM** each morning and entrance doors will close at **8.55AM**. Please be at school no later than **8.45AM**.

The pedestrian gate on Beech Grove and the Nursery gate on Middleton Road will both be locked at 8.55AM so after this time the only access to the school will be through the main entrance gate on Middleton Road.

All KS2 pupils will enter school through the **Year3/4** door in the morning but afternoon collection points will remain the same.

All KS1 pupils will enter and exit their classrooms directly from the rear playground. Access to the rear playground is through the Nursery gate on Middleton Road.

We are a Christian school where we value one another, want the best for everyone, work hard and enjoy the journey.

Deo Fretus - Trust In God



Can all parents and carers please ensure that children are not using any of the playground equipment before or after school. If this happens then you do so at your own risk as the school will not be responsible for any injury sustained outside the normal school hours.

Uniform

It has been fantastic to see so many of the children wearing the correct school uniform and taking a real pride in their appearance. I would like this to continue and develop further so can all parents and carers please ensure that school uniform standards remain high by adhering to the school's expectations.

I understand that this may take a little time to implement as school shoes or a Holy Trinity sweatshirt may need to be purchased so please keep the class teacher or the school office informed on the progress being made.

All children should be wearing plain black school shoes, not trainers or boots. Boots can be worn to and from school especially when the weather is bad but school shoes should also be brought to be worn indoors. Trainers can also be brought to change into for lunchtime activities and to save school shoes getting damaged. For more information on school uniform and prices please check the website. <http://www.holytrinitycepa.co.uk/home/joining/uniform/>

With regards to jewellery, only small earring studs are allowed and no bracelets or necklaces should be worn or brought into school. Nails should also be free from varnish during school time and haircuts should not contain shaved areas or lines.

As the new Principal, I feel it is important to clearly communicate my expectations from the start. If any parents or carers are still unclear on any of the information above or wish to speak to me in confidence then do not hesitate to contact me through the school office.

It takes a whole community to raise a child and the relationship between the school and home is crucial so I want to work effectively with parents and carers to ensure success for all our children.

Yours sincerely

Mr Dickson
Principal