

Autumn Term 2018—Newsletter 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Principal's Message I hope that you enjoy reading the following newsletter in its new format and I welcome any feedback on how you feel we could make it even better. It will be compiled and sent out on a fortnightly basis but to stay even more up to date with the daily life of the school you can always check the website or facebook page. I would personally like to give you all a huge vote of thanks for everything you do to support your child to be school ready. Whether its getting them to school nice and early each day or ensuring they are wearing the correct uniform, your efforts are greatly appreciated by all of the staff team here at Holy Trinity. We are striving to become a great school for our pupils, our families and the wider community but we can only do this by truly working in partnership with each other. Thank you again for your continued generosity, particularly at our Macmillan Coffee Morning which raised a staggering £610. More than double our previous effort. Your donations for Harvest were also very humbling and it was wonderful to see so many of you present in the church to see the children's presentations.

Can I please urge all parents and carers who ask others to collect their children at home time to support the school by ensuring we are told well in advance. Whilst some older children have written permission to walk home from school, all other children should be collected by someone known to them, who is over the age of 16. A password system should also be put in place with the school office if someone unfamiliar to the staff is collecting your child.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter and your continued support for the school.

FLU IMMUNISATION Letters - Children in Reception through to Year 5 have all received a flu immunisation letter, please can you return it to school by THURSDAY 25TH OCTOBER!

Bikeability Training for Year 6 children

Children in Year 6 will be taking part in Bikeability training on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday next week. The children will need to have their bikes in school on these days and parents will need to ensure that the bikes are roadworthy e.g. tyres pumped up, brakes checked, bells working. The children MUST have a cycle helmet on all 3 days along with a waterproof coat and a hat/gloves if the weather turns cold. The children will be outside on the playground for the first day and then they will be doing some road safety on the roads around the school.

Mornings at Holy Trinity

The school gates are open each day from 8.25am the children in Year 6 are highly encouraged to come into school at this time to use the school computers or to have some quiet time to complete homework or work tasks. We feel that all



children in Year 6 would benefit from this and would appreciate encouragement to do so from home. Thank you!



The deadline for Year 6 children to apply for their choice of secondary school is Wednesday 31st October. If you haven't yet applied you run the risk of your child not obtaining a place in the chosen school. Applications must be made online—click the link in picture above to find out more information.

E-safety—Online Gaming

It has come to my attention in the last few weeks after chatting with some of the children, that many of them are playing online games that are not age appropriate. In some cases they are 18+ games. Needless to say this can be detrimental to the health and well and well being of the children. A particular game that keeps getting mentioned is ROBLOX this is aimed at children between 7-13 years of age. However, this game like may others has the facility for other players to chat to the children anonymously which is very concerning as other players are not necessarily children! To find out more about ROBLOX and other games that are popular with primary school children please take a look at the websites listed below:



https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/gaming/ https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/roblox/#

Please make yourself aware of Parental Settings and how to use them in order to keep your child safe online.

NO SMOKING—on site OR near school gates

Once again it has come to my attention that there are large groups of parents at the Middleton Road entrance who continually smoke next to the school gates. The children and parents who have to use this entrance therefore have to walk through passive smoke on a daily basis. Can I please remind parents/carers that Holy Trinity is a NO SMOKING site and although these groups are officially off site I would ask that you be considerate towards others who do not smoke, **ESPECIALLY** the children, and please move away from the gates/entrances. This also includes E-cigarettes/Vapes. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

HEADLICE

It has been brought to our attention that headlice are prevalent in the school. Could you please check your child's hair (boys and girls) and treat accordingly. This does seem to be persistent problem and we all need to be vigilant. If you would like more information you can get a leaflet from NHS Direct online http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice/pages/introduction.aspx or contact the School Nursing Service on 01691 663610.

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Uniform

It's great to see so many of the children wearing the new school uniform, they all look really smart. However, there is still a small number of children wearing incorrect coloured tights/socks and unsuitable footwear. Please see the website for full details. http://www.holytrinitycepa.co.uk/home/joining/uniform/

As the weather is starting to get colder may I also take this opportunity to ask parents to ensure that their children come to school in a warm waterproof coat and sensible black shoes that will protect their

feet in wet weather. If you need to order any uniform please use the online shop at http://www.schoolshopdirect.co.uk/



SWIMMING LESSONS

Our new swimming lessons are proving to be very popular with the children especially as they are now 45 minutes long. STIPERSTONES Class will be

starting the first session on Wednesday 7th November for 6 sessions. Please can I remind parents that Oswestry School are kindly transporting us to and from the school so the children no longer have to walk or worry about cancelling due to bad weather. I am kindly asking that all parents and carers make a weekly £1 contribution to help us cover the additional cost of transport. Thank you for your help with this, it is very much appreciated.

DIARY DATES:

Monday	22nd October	Bikeability Yr6
Friday	26th October	PD Day NO SCHOOL
Mon-Fri	29th Oct—2nd Nov	Half Term Holiday
Wednesday	7th November	Halloween Disco
Thursday	22nd November	Choir to sing at xmas light switch on
Thursday	6th December	PTA Xmas Fair
Friday	14th December	Xmas jumper day and Cinderella Panto



Dear God

Thank you for making us courageous So that we can get through the hard moments in life.

We're sorry for the times that we forget to ask for your help and we give up too easily. Please help us to be more courageous in our beliefs like David when he fought Goliath and Daniel when he survived the lions den.

Amen