

# Autumn Term 2019—Newsletter 1

#### Our School Mission Statement:

Holy Trinity Church of England Primary Academy is a fun and welcoming community where we serve each other by showing love and respect. Firm foundations for life are built upon Christian values which enable us to flourish. We aim to become resilient and aspirational so that we can face life's challenges with confidence.

> **Through God all things are possible'** Matthew 19:26

> > Principal

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year at Holy Trinity and thank you to each and every one of you for such a wonderful start. The children all look amazing in their new uniforms and have been so punctual for school each day. I am also very proud of how quickly the vast majority of our children have settled back into school routines after the Summer break. This is down to the fantastic support from home, both for the children and the academy.

There have been lots of positive changes over the holiday period, including the refurbishment of three of our classrooms. Miss Hutson has also returned to work following her maternity leave. She is teaching Hawkstone Class Monday to Thursday and Mr Kenyon will be the class teacher on a Friday. We would like to send our Congratulations and best wishes to Mrs Holmes and her husband who became first time parents in the holidays with the arrival of baby Emily.

Miss Dorofte has joined us as an apprentice and will also provide support for many of our bilingual families. Miss Falcao will now be known as Mrs Taylor in school following her wedding during the summer break.

We are also trialling a new breakfast club from Monday the 16<sup>th</sup> of September. This is down to demand from parents and carers but its success will depend upon the number of children accessing the provision. Children can be dropped off from at 7.45am at the rear hall doors (Beech Grove car park) where they will receive breakfast and have a range of activities provided for them to engage in prior to their lessons. The cost is £3 per session and must be paid in advance. Please contact the school office for a booking form. Numbers are limited so places will be allocated on a first come/first served basis.

On 15th October we are also planning to hold an Open day for our academy for prospective new parents and children to attend. This is to showcase the improvements that have been made and to attract new families to our academy. If you know of any parents or carers that may be moving to the area or simply seeking a future school place, then please let them know about our Open day.

Our children excelled academically last year resulting in our best ever outcomes at the end of Year 6. This is an upward trend that must continue as we have now raised the expectations of what can be achieved within our school community. It cannot be achieved in isolation and we rely heavily on all of our families to support home learning activities and to ensure that homework is regularly completed. This all helps to reinforce the learning that has taken place in school so it is important that we continue to work in partnership to achieve the best possible outcomes for each and every child at Holy Trinity. It is also essential that there is good communication between home and school so please ensure that all contact details are up to date and that you check all forthcoming dates on the newsletters, facebook and the website.

We are continually seeking to improve our communications with parents and carers and suggestions are always warmly welcomed. A number of staff are available most mornings, including Mr Kenyon and myself. Please stop us for a chat or let us know if there is anything we can do to help you or your family.

I wish you all a brilliant year ahead at Holy Trinity

Yours sincerely

R. Dickson

Principal

# **Breakfast Club**

This is due to start on Monday 16th September and doors are open from 7.45am. The cost will be £3 per child per day and must be paid in advance. If no payment is made we cannot accept the child and you will be turned away.

The children will be given cereal, toast and juice. Mrs Salter will on hand with lots of activities to the keep the children entertained before school. If you would like to reserve a place please contact the school office.

### YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS:

The Deadline to for secondary school applications is 31st October **2019.** Please ensure your application is completed online before this date or it may result in you going onto a waiting list for the school of your choice. Application forms were sent home on Wednesday. Please contact the office if you have not received yours.



#### **Parents Evening :**

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On Wednesday **2nd October** we will be holding our first parent's Evening of the year. A letter will be sent home offering time slots of 5 minutes to meet with vour child's new teach-Don't for parent



Mrs Richards

This term we would like to introduce you to Mrs Richards who I'm sure most of you already know. Wendy has worked at Holy Trinity for a number of years and is part of our Safeguarding team. She is always on hand to support parents and carers with any concerns you may have regarding your child.

This term we would like to welcome Mrs Dorofte to the team, she is our new school apprentice TA specialising in EAL (English as an additional language) she speaks English, Romanian, Bulgarian and a little Polish. She will be working in Early Years and is on hand to assist with any concerns across the school from EAL community.



Mrs Dorofte

On Friday 27th September we will be holding our Macmillan coffee

Afternoon. We would appreciate any donations of cakes and biscuits and would love you to join us in the hall at 2.00pm for a coffee and chat and enjoy some cake with your friends and family. Year 6 will sending out more details shortly.

Please can you all be aware of the following:

Please use the footpaths provided DO NOT walk across 1. the car parks. We have had a few near misses in the car parks recently.



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2. Please DO NOT smoke outside the school gates. It is unfair to children and parents to have to walk through smoke filled gateways to get into school



PTA AGM Friday 20th September At 8:45am PTA meeting to follow straight after All welcome



#### HEALTHY LUNCHBOXES

This term we are starting a healthy lunchbox initiative. Please see below some ideas for healthy lunchboxes for your children. We will be sending home some more information about this in the coming weeks but in the meantime here are some websites with some great lunchbox ideas.



https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/school-packed-lunchinspiration

https://realfood.tesco.com/curatedlist/lunchbox-ideas-for-kids.html

SWIMMING LESSONS: All children in KS2 will start swimming this year at Oswestry School. Each class will swim for 7 weeks starting with Haughmond Class. We would appreciate a £1 per week donation towards this which will help school enormously with the cost.

let school know.

#### **Our Christian Values**

As a Church of England Primary School, our Christian Values are at the centre of everything we do at Holy Trinity. They help us to live out our Christian Vision of believing that "Through God all things are possible' (Matthew 19:26). Each half term, we focus on a different Christian Value. This is done explicitly through our Collective Worship time, but also throughout our curriculum. Children have regular opportunities to reflect on each value and to develop an understanding of the Value in action. At the end of each term, in our Celebration Worship, we will be acknowledging children who have demonstrated these values in school and within the community.

The Values we explore and strive to live by are:

Autumn 1 – Courage and respect

Autumn 2 – Service and justice

Spring 1 – Love and forgiveness

Spring 2 – Faith and hope

Summer 1 – Peace and humility

Summer 2 – Wisdom and belief

We believe these values are empowering our pupils to develop their spirituality and guiding them in personal development as effective learners and good citizens.

This term we are focusing on Courage and Respect. If you values at home or within the community, please



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## Dear Lord, As we start a new school term, please help

to have courage in our learning. Encourage us to take risks and to be brave in school and out. Give me the strength to be kind, and to respect everyone and everything.

Remind me always to use my manners, and give me the courage to make the right choices.

Bless our whole school family, and our wider family across the world.

Thank you for being with us, and helping us in all that we do.

Amen.

# NEW PARENTS TO THE SCHOOL!

notice any of our children showing any of these

To keep up to date with all that is happening in school and your child's class please visit our website **www.holytrinitycepa.co.uk** and sign up for our weekly newsletter and class alerts. This is really simple to do and only takes a few minutes. Parents already registered don't forget to change your preference setting to your child's new class.

We are also on Facebook at Holy Trinity CE Primary Academy and Nursery. Please give us a like and keep an eye on all things happening in school.



