

# Holy Trinity C of E Primary Academy & Nursery



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## Ercall Newsletter Spring 1

Welcome to our Spring Term, we are looking forward to the weeks ahead and starting to see all of our skills learnt over the Autumn Term being used throughout our lessons. The children worked incredibly hard last term and have made us all incredibly proud.

In class this half term, we will be focusing on a book called 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit. During this English unit we will be learning about writing in the past tense with a history focus, using conjunctions, including a variety of verb forms including the progressive and the present perfect forms. We will also be learning about inverted commas to punctuate direct speech and grouping ideas into paragraphs. All of these new skills will help us to write an adventure story from the perspective of the main character.

In Maths we will be concentrating on our Multiplication and Division unit, recapping how to use to make equal groups, use arrays, and how to divide a number equally through sharing and grouping. We will also be revisiting our 2, 5 and 10 times tables and focusing on our 3, 4 and 8 times tables in Year 3 and our 6, 7 and 9 times tables in Year 4. In Science we will be focusing on Forces and Magnets in Year 3 and Electricity in Year 4. We are looking forward to our Geography unit, which will be focusing on Europe and its location in the world and its countries, regions/counties. We will also complete a study of Bologna in Italy making comparisons to our own lives in Oswestry. In RE we will be developing an understanding of the Islam faith, looking at their God, Allah, and what it is like to be a Muslim. In PE we will be using our Gymnastics sessions to learn how to move around the hall at different speeds and using different shapes, moving on to looking at a range of rolls to move around. In Music we will be looking at Reggae songs, focusing on the beat, improvisations, instrumental performances, compositions. In Art we are learning about using a range of different media to make marks, before looking at creating different marks such as spirals.

Whilst in Ercall, we expect your child to read at least 5 times a week, with their book bag being returned daily in preparation for a new reading book. Please can you write a comment about how they have read. Each Year group follows a set spellings and they will be given new spellings on a Monday and tested every other week. Your child will have the opportunity to have PE twice a week. Our set days are a Tuesday and Wednesday, but due to the weather this might change. We ask for all children to keep their PE kits in school and they will be sent home at the end of the half term.

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As a church school, our learning takes place through Christian Values. This term we are looking at Courage. The children will be looking at how this value links to our learning and how they can display our value in their everyday lives. If you see your child, or any member of the Holy Trinity community displaying any of our core values, we'd love to hear about it. We will be awarding children who go above and beyond to show our values a special award at the end of each term. If you have any questions or concerns about any of the above, please do not hesitate to ask.

Many thanks,  
Miss Hutson and Miss Salter

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