## Holy Trinity C of E Primary Academy & Nursery



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## **Caradoc Newsletter Summer 1**

Welcome to the first part of our Summer Term, we are looking forward to a variety of things this half term, including our Year Two SATs and our Jubilee celebrations. Caradoc demonstrated excellent determination last half term by working to their best standard even when they found some things a little tricky, well done to all the children!

In class this half term we will be focusing on a book called The Last Wolf by Mini Grey. During this English unit we will be learning about using contracted apostrophes, adding er and est to adjectives and homophones. All of these new skills will help us to write letters, instructions and diary entries. In Maths we will be concentrating on completing our Fractions unit and starting our Length and Height unit where we will be measuring in cm and m, as well as comparing heights and length. In Science we will be continuing with our Living Things and Their Habitats unit before moving onto Plants, where we will be looking at a variety of plants, observing the conditions they require to grow, as well as the different parts of plants. In History we will be learning all about the events of The Great Fire of London, as well as looking at The Great Fires of Newport and Wem, which will support us answer the main question – what caused the Great Fires? In RE we will be developing an understanding of Festivals, where we will concentrate on Diwali, Advent and Purim. In our inside PE sessions, we will be starting our Ball Games unit and during our outside PE sessions with The Wright Way the children will be completing Kwik Cricket. In Music we will be looking at Reggae music, focusing on the beat, instruments and learning our own song. In Art we are learning about still life drawings with feathers using a range of different materials to help us make different marks.

Our Year Two children will be completing their SATs papers during the week beginning Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> May, with some additional time being allocated for week beginning Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May. I have posted guidance on Class Dojo along with some practice papers. Additional homework will be sent home once a week for all children to complete. This will be sent home on a Monday and must be returned the following Monday. All homework will be related to work we have already completed in class. This will support the children in their learning and allowing them to grow in confidence with answering different questions.

Whilst in Caradoc, we expect your child to read at least 5 times a week, with their book bag being returned every Friday in preparation for a new reading book to be issued. Please can you write a

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comment about how they have read. Spellings will be linked to the phonic sounds learnt within each child's phonics group and sent home on a Monday. Your child is expected to learn these at home ready for a test on the following Monday. Your child will have the opportunity to have PE twice a week. Our set days are a Monday and Thursday, 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.

As a church school, our learning takes place through Christian Values. This term we are looking at Friendship. 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.

We have been joined this term by a PGCE student who has started supporting group work and will be building up to whole class teaching over the next few weeks. Miss Suckley has settled in well and the children are enjoying her participation.

If you have any questions or concerns about any of the above, please do not hesitate to ask.

Many thanks, Mrs Thompstone, Mrs Morgan and Mrs Lewis

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