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Newsletter 2– Term 1 2017-18

Value focus: Term 1- Friendship, Term 2- Trust

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Dear Parents and Carers

Let me start by saying "well done" to all of our new reception pupils, children new to the school in other year groups and new staff for doing so well in their first term at Trinity. It is lovely to witness existing pupils and parents and carers making newcomers so welcome.

FOS- the FOS held an AGM recently and a new committee has been formed. I must take this opportunity to say a huge "thank you" to Ainslie Lang for her efforts and commitment to the role over the last few years. Watch out for more information to follow from the FOS. I wish Mrs Sarah Godwin well as the newly elected Chair of FOS.

Bike-ability- well done to the 17 pupils who passed their Bike-ability this term.

Library- many thanks to Mrs Jo White and Mrs Steph Lane for all their hard work in the school library. All those hours spent sorting, covering, labelling and organising have left us with a lovely inviting space for the children to use.

Reminder- if your child is due to start secondary school in September 2018 then the deadline for applications is **Tuesday 31st October 2017.**

School car-park- please can parents and carers dropping children off in the morning ensure they adhere to the following;

- pull as far forward as possible before stopping
- let your children out quickly
- do not stop for longer than is necessary
- do not leave the driver's door of your vehicle open.

Blue badge holders- as there is only one dedicated bay in the car-park those entitled to park in a disabled parking bay may use the car-park if the space is occupied. Do take care when crossing to the footpath with your child.

Regards, C. Hutton

Staffing update

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Bubb. She has been at the school since 1987 initially in the kitchen and subsequently as a 'dinner lady' (Lunchbreak supervisor). We wish her well in her retirement and would like to thank her for her years of loyal service.



Miss Snelgrove will be getting married on Saturday 21st October 2017. We wish her and her partner Jamie all the best for their big day. When she returns to work after half-term she will be Mrs Packer.

Homework

It has been great to see the variety of high quality and innovative pieces of work coming in to school. We really appreciate your support with this. Thank you too for the feedback regarding homework. We have taken all the points on board and made some minor changes ahead of the issue of new homework in Term 2. The 'tweaks' that have been made are mainly in respect of greater consistency between Key Stage 1 and 2 and around further explanation of Astro Adventure Times Tables Challenge.

WOW days

During this term and to enhance their learning children from both Key Stages took part in WOW days.

Stone Age Experience (Key Stage 2)



Could you survive in the Stone Age?

Key Stage 2 had a chance to learn a few survival skills of their own - lighting fires, building shelters and preparing flour, amongst others. Everything they'd need to hold their own against the elements!

Polar Experience (Willow & Ash)



Everyone had a great day with the polar explorer team from Plymouth University. We found out about polar bears, how animals keep warm in the Arctic and what polar explorers wear among other things. The children enjoyed the blubber hand experiment, the gloopy glaciers and making polar bear masks.

Parents evening

We have two dates set aside- **Monday 6th and Thursday 9th November**. All parents and carers should receive an email which contains a link and instructions on how to book an appointment. If you are unable to do this please contact the office for assistance as they are able to access the system and book appointments on your behalf.

McMillan Cake Sale

Earlier this term the event held at the Fox & Hounds raised an amazing £935 along with £180 raised by the cake sale at school. Well done to all of the organisers and thank you to everyone who supported it.

Dinner money

Reminder- School meals cost for Key Stage 2 children is £2.10 a day and should always be paid in advance. Term 2 is 7 weeks and 1 days long therefore a school meal every day would equate to £75.60.

There will be a new menu from the start of Term 2. This will include two roasts days (Tuesday & Thursday) and the traditional fish fingers, chips and beans on a Friday. A copy has been sent home but can also be found on the website <http://www.trinityceprimaryschool.co.uk/meals/> School Christmas lunch is on Wednesday 13th December.

Aviva Community Fund



We have submitted a project to the Aviva Community Fund. The aim is to replace all of our existing aging projectors and interactive whiteboards with brand new digital interactive learning panels. Further information about these can be found via the link below.

We need your help and support. In order to be successful we need everyone connected to the school to register at the website below to cast their 10 votes. We would urge you to send the link on to friends, relatives, neighbours, the families of former pupils and anyone else you can think of. By our calculation we need in excess of 1000 people to give us their 10 votes in order to be in the running.

<https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-6015>

Parking

We have received several messages from parents and local residents regarding parking outside of school. The main themes of the messages are careless, inconsiderate and dangerous parking, parking on yellow zig-zags, junctions and corners and the difficulties faced by pedestrians trying to walk along or cross the road safely. The main problem period is 3.15-3.45pm when Littleton Drew Lane becomes packed with parked cars. It may well be that there are now more people looking to park around home time due to an increase in pupil number. The clip below shows what can happen when parking gets out of control near to schools.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-41399134>

I am very keen to explore ways that we can work with the school and local community to alleviate these issues. If you would be prepared to be part of a group to discuss these issues and work on solutions please let me know by emailing the school or letting the office know. I would like to hold an initial meeting on **Wednesday 15th November 2017 at 9.00am.**

Snacks

Toast (10p) and fruit juice (30p) is available at morning break. Children may bring in a piece of fruit or a cereal bar (no nuts) from home. These should be kept in the children's book bag or drawer until break time. **Chocolate bars are not allowed.** Children who bring a packed lunch to school should not take items out of lunchboxes as snacks.

From the start of Term 2 children in Willow and Ash class will have a piece of fruit provided for afternoon playtime. This has not happened during Term 1 due to an administrative error which we have now resolved.

Often children like to bring in a treat for their friends when it is their birthday. Whilst this is not necessary, if you choose to do this, please could you:

- ensure what you are sending in is individually wrapped and has a clear list of ingredients,
- provide the correct number of items,
- consider a healthier option.

2017-18 Dates for diaries

All dates below are correct at time of issue but are subject to change. When dates change, or new dates are added, these will be included in the following newsletter. To make them stand-out we will use *italics* and light grey shading. Below are the dates of the INSET days 2017-18 including the date for the fifth INSET which was previously TBC. All the term dates and INSET days can be found on the school website at <http://www.trinityceprimaryschool.co.uk/2017-18-term-dates/>

INSET Days 2017-18;

1. Friday 1st September 2017
2. Monday 4th September 2017
3. Tuesday 2nd January 2018
4. Monday 9th April 2018
5. Friday 22nd June 2018

Term 1 Dates (Tuesday 5th September – Friday 20th October)

Date	Time	Class	Event
Friday 8 th September	3-3:30pm	All	Celebration Service
Monday 11 th September	All day	Elm/ Oak / Beech	Stone Age Workshop
Monday 18 th September	-	All	School Council Elections
Monday 18 th – Thursday 21 st September	1-2.30pm	<i>Children aiming for 25 metre badge</i>	Swimming at Yate Leisure Centre
Wednesday 27 th September	10-11:30		Swimming at Yate Leisure Centre
Tuesday 3 rd October	9:15-10	All	Harvest Service
Wednesday 4 th October	All day	Willow / Ash	Polar Experience
Wednesday 4 th October	10-11:30	<i>Children aiming for 25 metre badge</i>	Swimming at Yate Leisure
Monday 9 th – Friday 13 th October	9-12pm	Year 6	Bike-ability
<i>Wednesday 11th October</i>	<i>10-11:30</i>	<i>Children aiming for 25 metre badge</i>	<i>Swimming at Yate Leisure</i>
<i>Wednesday 18th October</i>	<i>10-11:30</i>		<i>Swimming at Yate Leisure</i>
Thursday 19 th October	9-12pm	All	Individual Photos

Term 2 Dates (Monday 30th October – Monday 18th December)

Date	Time	Class	Event
Wednesday 1 st November	1-3:30	Elm / Oak / Beech	Young Shakespeare - Macbeth
<i>Wednesday 1st November</i>	<i>10-11:30</i>	<i>Children aiming for 25 metre badge</i>	<i>Swimming at Yate Leisure</i>
Monday 6 th November	2:30-6	All	Parents Evening
<i>Wednesday 8th November</i>	<i>10-11:30</i>	<i>Children aiming for 25 metre badge</i>	<i>Swimming at Yate Leisure</i>
Thursday 9 th November	4-6:30	All	Parents Evening
Friday 10 th November	10:30-11:30	Elm / Oak / Beech	Service at St. Marys Church
<i>Friday 10th November</i>	<i>7.30</i>	-	<i>FOS Quiz Night @ school</i>
<i>Wednesday 15th November</i>	<i>10-11:30</i>	<i>Children aiming for 25 metre badge</i>	<i>Swimming at Yate Leisure</i>
Thursday 16 th November	9:15-9:45	All	Beech Class Service
<i>Wednesday 22nd November</i>	<i>10-11:30</i>	<i>Children aiming for 25 metre badge</i>	<i>Swimming at Yate Leisure</i>
<i>Wednesday 29th November</i>			
Monday 4 th December	2-3pm	All	Nativity dress rehearsal
Tuesday 5 th December	2-3pm	Willow / Ash	Nativity
<i>Wednesday 6th December</i>	<i>10-11:30</i>	<i>Children aiming for 25 metre badge</i>	<i>Swimming at Yate Leisure</i>

Wednesday 6 th December	2-3pm	Willow / Ash	Nativity
Thursday 7 th December	TBC	All	Carol Service @ St. Mary's
Wednesday 13 th December	10-11:30	Children aiming for 25 metre badge	Swimming at Yate Leisure
Wednesday 13 th December	12-1pm	All	Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 13 th December	1:30-3:30	All	Sing-a-long and Pantomime
Monday 18 th December			Last day of Term 2

Term 3 Dates (Wednesday 3rd January – Friday 9th February)

Date	Time	Class	Event
Tuesday 2 nd January	All day	-	INSET day – school closed
Friday 12 th January	9:15-9:45	All	Oak class service

Term 4 Dates (Monday 19th February – Friday 23th March)

Date	Time	Class	Event
Monday 19th – Friday 23rd February	1-2.30pm	TBC	Swimming at Yate Leisure Centre
Monday 26 th February	2:30-6pm	All	Parents Evening
Wednesday 28th February	10-11.30am	TBC	Swimming at Yate Leisure Centre
Thursday 1 st March	4-6:30pm	All	Parents Evening
Wednesday 7th March	10-11.30am	TBC	Swimming at Yate Leisure Centre
Friday 15 th March	9:15-9:45	All	Elm class service
Wednesday 21 st March	9:15-9:45	All	Willow class service
Friday 23 rd March	1:30-3pm	All	Easter Egg Hunt

Term 5 Dates (Tuesday 10th April – Friday 25th May)

Date	Time	Class	Event
Monday 9 th April	All day	-	INSET day – school closed
Monday 14 th May – Friday 18 th May	All day		SATs week

Term 6 Dates (Monday 4th June – Friday 20th July)

Date	Time	Class	Event
Monday 11 th June – Friday 15 th June	-	Year 1 children	Phonics Screening
Wednesday 20 th June	9:15-9:45	All	Ash class service
Friday 22 nd June	All day	-	INSET day – school closed
Monday 25 th June – Friday 29 th June	All day	Years 5 & 6	Residential trip; Kingswood, Staffordshire
Wednesday 27 th June	-	Years 3 & 4	School sleepover
Friday 6 th July	1:30-3:30	All	Sports Day
Tuesday 10 th July	1:30-3:30	All	Sports Day (Reserve date)
Wednesday 11 th & Thursday 12 th July	-		School Production at Sheldon
Friday 13 th July	-	All	Reports issued
Friday 20 th July	-	All	Last day of term

