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# **Newsletter 4– Term 3 2018-19**

Value focus: Truthfulness

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of Term 3. Thank you for all the kind gifts and Christmas cards before the holidays.

The start of a new term (and a new year) is a good time review and evaluate things. My assessment is that the school is in a very positive position. I am very proud of the staff for the way they consistently go above and beyond in the interests of the children. As headteacher it is enormously rewarding when members of the team take on a new role or lead an initiative which positively impacts the school community. We have had some changes on the governing body too and I feel that the team we have in place now will provide the school with the right balance of challenge and support.

As ever, I would be delighted to receive any feedback from the school community relating to any aspect of school life. You can do this by speaking to me in the playground or by contacting the school office. Regards,

C. Hutton

## Message from Lisa Bailey, Chair of Governors

As the autumn term comes to an end I thought that this would be a good opportunity to highlight what the Trinity governing body has been doing. There has been a lot of change within the governing body since the end of the last school year. There is a new Chair of Governors, me, Lisa Bailey and several new Governors from the school and local community who bring a wealth of experience in many fields that will benefit the school. We are working hard to develop new working relationships and building on already strong relationships within the governing body to assist the school in achieving its vision and becoming an outstanding school.

Our focus for this academic year is to monitor progression and attainment in all areas but especially in maths and writing, which was highlighted as an area for improvement by OFSTED. We are helping to support the school to achieve this by monitoring pupil progress with the subject leader and ensuring there is budget for targeted interventions and training. We are also focusing on punctuality and attendance, as ensuring that the pupils are ready to start the day when the bell goes reduces disruption and allows more focussed and productive learning. If you would like any more information about the work of the school Governors please see our pages on the website.

On behalf of Trinity School Governors I wish you all a punctual New Year!

Regards, Lisa Bailey

#### Clubs

All places for teacher run school clubs will be allocated by the end of this week. The clubs will run from week 2 (w/b 14/01/19) to week 6. Please see below a reminder of the days and times.

Who?	Club	Day/Time	Venue
Mrs. Gadsby	Disco	Tues 12:30 – 1:15pm	Ash
Mr. Shiles	Painting	Tues 3:30 – 4:15pm	Beech
Miss Godwin	Mindfulness	Weds 3:30 – 4:15pm	Willow
Mr. Strawson	Chess	Thurs 12:30 – 1:15pm	Elm
Mrs. McLaughlin	Lego	Thurs 12:30 – 1:15pm	Ash
Mr. Hutton	Film	Fri 3:30 – 4:15pm	Hall

#### **Website review**

A review of our school website with the company who build and maintain it, will be taking place on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January. Any constructive feedback, positive or negative, will be very gratefully received before next Tuesday. You will shortly receive an email from school requesting feedback on the website. We would really appreciate it if you could respond with any comments you may have on usability; what works well; what you feel is missing; what could be improved on.

A reminder that all up to date information on Term dates, INSET days and clubs and events can be found under the 'Trinity Life' tab or from the Homepage. You can also find information and blogs about your child's class, including homework, termly planning mats and spelling under the 'Trinity Life' – Classes tab.

#### **Reminder**

A member of staff is on duty in the playground every morning from 8.45-8.55am. If you have a message for a teacher, please give it to the member of staff on duty who will record the message in the diary and relay it to the relevant person. If you require access to the building (for example, to check lost property), you will need to report to reception. Access through the playground doors is not permitted to anyone other than staff or pupils for safeguarding reasons.

#### **End of day arrangement**

If you have arranged for your child to go home with a friend, or to be collected by another parent or carer, please inform us. You can do this by leaving a note in the diary in the playground in the morning, via an answerphone message or by telling the office. Whilst we understand many of you have regular arrangements with friends, we will not release children to a different adult unless we know in advance.

## **Online payment**

Trinity CE Primary School has purchased an online payment system called SIMS Agora to enable you to pay for school lunches, trips, ART/DT contributions etc., electronically. SIMS Agora interacts with our database and email system and will use the email address we have registered for you.

By now you should have received an email from SIMS Agora explaining how to register for an account and it will provide you with an invitation code, to enable you to do this. This invitation code is valid until February 2019, and so you still have time to register if you have not already had a chance to do so. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you encounter difficulties with the registration process. Please note you will still be able to pay monies to the school office, if you chose to do so.

#### Art/DT money

In previous years, we have asked parents and carers for a voluntary contribution each year to help towards purchasing materials that enhance the provision for Art and Design Technology. Whilst we have not done this recently, we feel that we need to ask again for such a donation. If you would be happy to make a voluntary contribution - suggested amount £15 - please put it in an envelope marked 'Art/DT money' and post it in the silver box in the foyer, or alternatively you can now contribute via our online payment system, SIMS AGORA, as mentioned above.

#### School kitchen

The cost of school meals for Key Stage 2 children is **£2.20** a day and **must be paid in advance**. You can take advantage of the new online payment system or simply drop money/ cheques into the box in reception. Chasing outstanding dinner money is very time consuming for staff and should not be necessary. Please make every effort to ensure you provide prompt payment in advance for school meals. Term 3 is 6 weeks long therefore, a school meal every day would equate to £66.00.

#### **Snacks**

Toast (10p) and fruit juice (30p) are available at morning break. Children may bring in a piece of fruit or a cereal bar (no nuts) from home. Items should not be taken out of lunchboxes as snacks. Children in Willow and Ash class also have a piece of fruit provided for afternoon playtime.

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

- ensure what you are sending in is individually wrapped,
- provide the correct number of items,
- consider a healthier option,
- not send in any items containing nuts.

**Blogs** - There are lots more to view on the school website, but here are a few....

### **Christmas Talent Show**

We were treated to a real variety show, the line-up consisting of taekwondo, dances, juggling, singing, jokes and musical performances. The judges had a very tough time deciding on the winner and we would like to thank everyone who took part and did such a brilliant job.

Winner: Flo with her gymnastic routine

Runners Up: Henry with his juggling display, Oliver with his song and dance

Special Mentions: Jackson for his Thriller dance; Matilda and Poppy for their Christmas songs

And Martha and Naomi for their taekwondo routine



#### **KS2 Christmas Parties**

A very fun afternoon was had on Tuesday at the KS2 Christmas Parties. The themed tables looked very impressive and included rock 'n' roll, rainforest, Jurassic World, Christmas and Hawaii to name but a few. Thank you for all of the effort and hard work that went into these.



## A Bonza Barbie!

We had a great Australian Restaurant Experience last week complete with lamington cakes and music from The Wiggles! School councillors did a fantastic job decorating the hall, preparing a presentation and waiting on tables. Thank you to Joyce and team for a bonza barbie!



## 2018-19 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 standout we will use *italics*.

**Term 3 Dates (Monday 7th January – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February)** 

Date	Time	Class	Event
Friday 18th January	3:30-7pm	All	FOS School Disco
Monday 4th- Friday 10th	1:30-	Elm	Swimming at Yate Leisure Centre
February	3:30pm		
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	1-3:30pm	Oak	<b>Swimming at Yate Leisure Centre</b>
February			

**Term 4 Dates (Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April)** 

Date	Time	Class	Event
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	All day	All	INSET DAY
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	TBC	KS1	Trip to Pizza Express workshop
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	4-6.30pm	All	Parents Evening
Wednesday 14th March	2:30-6pm	All	Parents Evening
Thursday 28th March	9:15-9:45	All	Oak Class Service
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	1-3:30pm	All	Easter Egg Hunt

**Term 5 Dates (Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May)** 

Date	Time	Class	Event
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	All day	N/A	Polling station (school open)
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	AM	All	School whole class photos
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	All day		SATs week
May			

Term 6 Dates (Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July)

Date	Time	Class	Event
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	All day	KS2	Countryside Learning day —
			Badminton Estate
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	All Day	Year 5	Sheldon Taster day
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	-	Year 1	Phonics Screening

June		children	
Monday 1st- Friday 5th July	All day	Years 5 & 6	Residential trip; Isle of Wight (Activity Island)
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> - Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June TBC	-	Years 3 & 4	Activity days
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	1:30- 3:30pm	All	Sports Day
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	1:30- 3:30pm	All	Sports Day (Reserve date)
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	ТВС	Year 3-6	School Production at Sheldon
Friday 12th July	-	All	Reports issued
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	All day	All	INSET DAY
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	All day	All	INSET DAY

# **Term dates 2018-19**

Term dates 2010-19					
Term	Starts	Ends	INSET Days 2018-19 (school closed to children):		
Term 1	Monday 3 September 2018	Friday 26 October 2018	Monday 3 September & Friday 26th October 2018		
Term 2	Monday 5 November 2018	Friday 21 December 2018			
Term 3	Monday 7 January 2019	Friday 15 February 2019			
Term 4	Monday 25 February 2019	Friday 5 April 2019	Monday 25th February 2019		
Term 5	Tuesday 23 April 2019	Friday 24 May 2019			
Term 6	Monday 3 June 2019	Tuesday 23 July 2019	Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd July 2019		

