



# HOLY TRINITY

C.E. PRIMARY ACADEMY (HANDSWORTH)

## The Newsletter 1

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Welcome back!

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to welcome you all back to school after the Summer holiday. I hope that you all had a restful and safe holiday and that the children are ready for the busy term ahead. It was lovely welcoming the children back into school on Wednesday, this week, all looking so smart. We look forward to welcoming Reception children on Tuesday 10th September.

Please make sure you have completed the contact form, permissions form and asthma sheet and return them to the school office as soon as possible. It is essential that we have all of these forms so that our records are up to date.

I am aware that there have been a few issues with our lunch app this week. Thank you for your patience as we have been trying to deal with this. If you are still having difficulties ordering a lunch for your child, please come into see either Mrs. Lewis or Mrs. Belcher in the main school office.

Our Value for this half-term is Community. Please see inside this Newsletter for more information about our values.



Mrs. P. Burns  
Headteacher

# Academic year 2018-2019

The classes for this academic year are as follows:

Year 6	Mrs. Cooper	
Year 5	Mr. Burke	
Year 4	Miss. Fisher	
Year 3	Miss. Morris	
Year 2	Miss. Day	
Year 1	Miss. Lilley	
Reception	Mrs. MacDonald	Mrs Hutchinson

As you can see this year we are not naming the classes with a letter. The classes will just be named by their year group.

Mrs Shioleftou will be working with Year 6 mornings as we prepare them for their SATs later on this academic year.

## School Vision

We had a very turbulent year last year and with Government cuts, we lost a number of our support staff. Also, due to various different reasons three teachers left us at the end of the year. With a new staff team I felt it was time for us to revisit the vision for our school. It is important that as a staff team we are all working together with a common goal for all of our children within our school. During our Teacher Days at the beginning of this week we met as a school team, including Governors to create our new vision for our children. This was a really productive session and the staff and governors were all on board with discussion and agreeing our new vision. It is important that you as parents are aware of our vision for your children and how we see our role in educating them.

Please see our vision statement:

**At Holy Trinity CE Primary Academy our distinctive Christian values are at the heart of all we do. Our children develop independent curiosity, acquire a life-long appetite for learning and become well-rounded individuals who achieve their full potential, both personally and academically.**

**“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”**

**Jeremiah 29:11**

# School Values

As well as revisiting our school vision at the start of this academic year we also looked at the values that we wanted to instil in all of our children as they are educated here at Holy Trinity. It is extremely difficult to narrow down values to just 6, as the staff found on Monday, but we have selected the 6 most important that we felt at this time. These values will form the themes for our Collective Worship over the academic year. As with the vision of our school, I do feel it is important that you are aware of the values that we will be focusing on. Throughout the year I will let you know the different values that we will be looking at. The 6 values that we have selected are:



***Our value for this half-term is: Community***

# Homework

We have made some changes to homework for this academic year. After taking on board comments made by some parents all homework is going to focus on the basic skills that our children need. Every week, on a Thursday, children in Years 1-6 will bring home with them spellings to learn, for a test the following week, a maths activity, either linked to timetables, number bonds, or calculations, and reading. The expectation is that every child is heard to read by an adult at least 3 times per week, with their reading diary signed. Reception will have an English activity, linked to phonics, a maths activity and reading to do on a weekly basis. All homework will be due in on a Wednesday, as in previous years. This homework will be monitored by the class teachers and certificates will be given to all children who complete all of their homework for the whole term. We will no longer be holding homework detention. The first homework will be given to children next Thursday (12th September).

In addition to this, over the coming weeks, children will be given topic based homework. This will be set out with different options and a choice of activities for the children to complete on a weekly basis in the way that they want to complete it. Your child might be more creative so would like to make something for their homework, or they might want to write an account, or carry out research. This will be entirely down to you and your child.



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH  
B I R C H F I E L D

**We're having an Open  
Day & Flower Festival  
on Saturday 14th  
September 2019  
10am till 4pm**



**All are welcome!**

New this year!

A Flower Festival,  
featuring displays  
and arrangements  
from local churches

**FREE TO  
EXPLORE**

Holy Trinity Church  
Trinity Road (corner of  
Birchfield Rd and Trinity Rd  
Birmingham  
B6 6AH

Tel: 0121 356 4241



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### **Dates for your diary**

Tuesday 10th September - Reception to start full-time

Friday 13th September - 12.30 Parent Coffee Time

Tuesday 17th September - Year 3 swimming starts \*

Friday 27th September - 12.30 Parent Coffee Time

Monday 30th September - 10am Year 6 leading Harvest festival in Church

Friday 11th October - 12.30 Parent Coffee Time



### **Dates for the year**

Monday 2nd September - Teacher Day

Tuesday 3rd September - Teacher Day

Tuesday 4th September - Children in Yrs 1-6 return to school

Tuesday 10th September - Reception children start school

Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November - Half-term

Monday 4th November - Children return to school

Friday 20th December - Children break up for Christmas holiday

Monday 23rd December-Friday 3rd January 2020 - Christmas holiday

Monday 6th January - Teacher day

Tuesday 7th January - Children return to school

Monday 17th February-Friday 21st February - Half-term

Monday 24th February - Children return to school

Friday 3rd April - Children break up for Easter holiday

Monday 6th April-Friday 17th April - Easter holiday

Monday 20th April - Children return to school

Friday 22nd May - Teacher Day

Monday 25th May-Friday 29th May - Half-term

Monday 1st June - Children return to school

Friday 17th July - Children break up for Summer holiday

**Please note that children do not need to attend school on Teacher Days. These days are for staff training.**

\* swimming kit needed