



## HOLY TRINITY NEWSLETTER

3rd November 2011

### Term dates for 2011/12

#### Term 1

Inset Day 05.09.11

Pupils start 06.09.11

Term ends 21.10.11

#### October Holiday

24.10.11-28.10.11

#### Term 2

Inset Day 31.10.11

Pupils start 01.11.11

Term ends 16.12.11 at  
2:00pm

#### Term 3

Inset Day 03.01.12

Pupils start 04.01.12

Term ends 10.02.12

#### February Holiday

13.02.12-17.02.12

#### Term 4

Term starts 20.02.12

Term ends 30.03.12 at  
2:00pm

#### Term 5

Term starts 16.04.12

Term ends 01.06.12

#### May Holiday

04.06.12-08.06.12

#### Term 6

Inset Day 11.06.12

Pupils start 12.06.12

Term ends for pupils  
20.07.12 at 2:00pm

Dear Parents,

I hope that you all had a good half term holiday. The children certainly look refreshed after the break.

### New Fencing

I am sure that you will have noticed that we are in the process of having new fencing around the school. This is to tighten up security around the school and also comply with Ofsted safeguarding regulations. The main school gate will be closed for pedestrians. It will be used only by staff in cars and delivery vehicles. Children and parents /carers may use the smaller gate which will be operated on a timer both at the beginning and end of the day. The gate will be opened from 8.40am and closed at 9.15am. It will then be re- opened at 3.05 and closed at 3.35pm. Parents and children may also come in and out of the side gate which will be manually locked at the same times. Children who stay for clubs will be taken to the front of the school where they can be met by parents. Children will remain in the school grounds until their parents/carers arrive. There will be **no access** for parents to the school car park. I am sure that this arrangement will enable all children and staff to feel safer within the school grounds.

### Christmas Fair.

A reminder that the PTA Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup> between 11 and 2pm. Please do sign up if you are able to support the school at this event. No amount of time is too small and it would be fantastic if everyone could spare at least an hour either helping with preparations or on the day. All the money raised goes to equipment and resources for your children. - *Please see message from PTA at the end of this newsletter.*

### Parent Interviews

Hopefully all parents have had notice of their times for parent interviews which are to take place shortly. I would ask all parents to be considerate of everyone and take only the allocated time for their appointment. If you require to speak with your child's class teacher for a longer period, please make an appointment after school.

### Come and See.

I hope that all parents enjoyed the 'Come and See' session last term. We would welcome any comments about the session; whether you found it useful, whether you and your child enjoyed it etc. Comments can be put in the suggestion box in the entrance hall or add a postit/comment to the board outside class 1.

### **Class 5 and Class 6**

Both class 5 and class 6 are enjoying their projects this term. Class 5 have had visitors to work with them on music and writing and have also visited Eton College. Class 6 are working on their Shakespeare project based on Romeo and Juliet. All the children have gained much from the projects and have enjoyed them!

### **House Captains.**

The House Captains will be organising events for Children in Need which will take place later this month. I am sure that the children will come up with some great ideas for fundraising events.

### **Library Books**

Can you help? Some of our books in the school library come from Reading Library. This means that we have new books on a regular basis and non-fiction books which are up to date. At the moment we know, despite very careful tracking of the books, that we are missing about three hundred books, which are mainly fiction. Therefore I am asking all children and parents to have a good look at home for school library books. If we do not find the books we will either be charged for them or will have to replace the books with classroom reading books. Please bring library books to the school office (this can be done anonymously!) if you find any at home. If children have books that they have finished reading and can be donated we would also be glad to receive these. A box for donated books can be found in the entrance hall.

### **Poppies**

Year 6 will be selling poppies and also British Legion wrist bands for the next few weeks. A donation of 50p for the poppies and £1.00 for the bands is recommended. Poppies will be sold during school time as well as before and after school.

### **Value for the month**

This month we will be talking about **Perseverance** in assemblies with the children

### **HT Voice**

We now have an email address for parents to email general issues that need a response in the newsletter. This is - [HTVoice@rbwm.org](mailto:HTVoice@rbwm.org). I will answer any issues on a monthly basis in the newsletter..

### **Star of the Week**

Well done to all the following pupils who were awarded Star of the Week on 21st October 2011

Class 1—Nilah

Class 2—Olivia

Class 3—Sakshi

Class 4—Isaac

Class 5—Oliver

Class 6—Zak

### School Lunches

In celebration of National School Meals Week and honour of Remembrance Day—Pabulum are delighted to announce a 1940's school dinners theme day on Friday 11th November. The menu for this day will be—Butcher's sausages with mash, carrots, cabbage and gravy or macaroni cheese and jam sponge & custard.

Also on Friday 18th November the food and culture of Germany will be celebrated. The menu will be Oven baked chicken schnitzel or German mixed bean gulasch served with herby potato wedges and Eiss und Heiss (hot and sweet fruit in syrup), served with vanilla ice cream.

The meal price is the same as the normal daily charge of £2.25

### Starting school in September 2012

If your child was born between 1st September 2007 and 31st August 2008 they are due to start school during the school year starting September 2012. Applications must be made to RBWM by 16th January 2012.

For help with applying for a school place you can contact the RBWMs School Admissions Team by:

Calling the customer service centre on—01628 683870

Emailing—[school.admissions@rbwm.gov.uk](mailto:school.admissions@rbwm.gov.uk)

Writing to—School Admissions

The Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead  
Town Hall  
St Ives Road  
Maidenhead  
Berkshire SL6 1RF

If you would like to visit Holy Trinity prior to making your application please call the school office on 01344 620716 to arrange an appointment.

Yours sincerely

*Mrs S.J Thorpe*

Headteacher

***Message from PTA***

***PTA Christmas Fair 19 November 2011 (11am - 2pm):***

The PTA are very busy organising the annual Christmas fair - there are only a couple of weeks to go. I am sure that it is going to be a great success and a very pleasant family event. Please try and support the PTA not just by attending but also by bringing in donations and helping to prepare for, set up, run or take down the stalls. The workload is far less if lots of parents and friends help rather than a small group of parents. Please sign up on the Volunteer Board just outside the main entrance to the school building. Please also note that there are plenty of things that you can do to help in advance, if you cannot help on the day.

Just before the holiday, your family should have received one envelope of Christmas Fair raffle tickets to sell. If any of you are able to buy/ sell more, please see Mrs Downs in the office or Helen Whiteman in the playground. Or if you are unable to sell all of the tickets you have been given, please return them so that they can be sold at the Fair.

Mufti Day is Friday 11 November and children can come to school in their own (non-uniform) clothes if they bring a bottle for the bottle tombola in the morning.

***PTA other events***

There will be a Bags2School collection on the morning of 8 November - collection bags should come home in book bags soon.

Furthermore, there will be a Film Night for the children on 8 December 3.30pm - approximately 5.30pm. More details will follow about this nearer the time.