



## HOLY TRINITY NEWSLETTER

### 17th OCTOBER 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,

This half term has gone very quickly, although the children look as if they need a holiday, especially those in class R! We will have our half term holiday next week and children return on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> of November. Staff will be using the inset day on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> of October to plan the new curriculum for the Spring term.

The children in Class R have settled in so well this term and have got used to all the school routines so very quickly. Well done class R!

#### **Come and See.**

We will be holding our first 'Come and See' session on Thursday. Parents may come to their child's classroom at 2.45pm and see the end of the afternoon session and then stay to look at their child's work. If there are any issues these should be discussed at the Parent Interviews after half term. Hopefully all parents are now aware of their child's targets for the term. Please let me know if this is not the case.

#### **Harvest Festival.**

A big 'thank you' for your generosity of your Harvest goods and donations after the service. Year 6 helped to sort and then distribute the goods to local people and were commended for their help and sensible attitude.

#### **Sparklebox**

I have discussed the use of Sparklebox with David and also had advice from the Oxford Diocese. This was in response to concerns by some parents. As a result staff will no longer use Sparklebox resources starting after the half term holidays. Sparklebox resources will also not be brought in for school use from home. We will use other sites recommended by the Diocese.

#### **School lunches.**

I understand that there are some concerns about school lunches. There will be a new menu shortly and I am sure that there will be better lunch choices on the new menu. In line with other caterers, Pabulum also offer either pasta or a jacket potato each day as well as bread and salad. The portion size is decided by Pabulum and Mrs Reader has to ensure that she adheres to the stipulated portion size. We will be having parents to lunch in the Spring term so that parents can experience school lunches too!

### PE Reminders

We have recently seen many instances of children forgetting PE kits so please note the days that children have PE.

Year 1 - Monday & Thursday

Year 2 – Thursday & Friday

Year 3 - Tuesday & Thursday

Year 4 - Tuesday & Friday

Year 5 - Tuesday & Thursday

Year 6—Tuesday & Thursday

If your child can't participate in PE for any reason, please provide a letter explaining why.

If you have any PE kit that is too small, it would be gratefully received in school - we are particularly short of plimsolls.

### Long Hair!

Please can I remind you that we ask all children with long hair to keep it tied back in school. This is a really effective way of helping to prevent the spread of head lice. Thank you.

### Star of the Week

These children have been Star of the Week this term.

|   | 09.09.11    | 16.09.11 | 23.09.11 |
|---|-------------|----------|----------|
| 1 | Alex        | Jamie    | Livvy    |
| 2 | Chloe       | Evie     | San      |
| 3 | Jasmine     | Max      | Abigail  |
| 4 | Mary Anne   | Roan     | Emma     |
| 5 | Beau        | Alyssa   | Harley   |
| 6 | Christopher | Jessie   | Rachel   |
|   | 30.09.11    | 07.10.11 | 14.10.11 |
| 1 | George      | Scarlett | Charlie  |
| 2 | Liliana     | Ollie    | Matilda  |
| 3 | Benji       | Keira    | Joseph   |
| 4 | Madeleine   | Oliver   | Aaron    |
| 5 | Simran      | Danny    | Oscar    |
| 6 | Jessica     | Keeley   | Freddie  |

**Tag Rugby**

Children played in a tournament at Charters recently and came second. Holy Trinity played other local schools and did very well. Miss Harding was pleased that everyone played as a team and did their very best. Well done to:

Isaac , Mitchell , Jasper , Joseph , Sam, Sean, Kaleb , Marry-Anne, Katy and Atlanta

**Reminder**

Please sign up for parent interviews, which will take place after half term. The lists can be found outside class 2.

**Applications for Holy Trinity CE Primary School.**

All applications for children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2007 and 31st August 2008 must be completed and returned to RBWM by January 16<sup>th</sup> 2012. Please note that **ALL** pupils born between these dates will start school at the same time in September 2012.

I do hope that all parents have a good half term.

Yours sincerely

*Sarah Thorpe*