



Generosity

Compassion

Perseverance

Courage

Friendship

Truthfulness

Termly Value

This half term, our value is compassion. A Christian Perspective on Compassion:

Christians believe that their attitudes and actions must reflect the kindness, mercy and compassion of Jesus and the love of God for everyone.

Reflecting as a whole school community Some questions to consider:

In what ways do we encourage members of the school community to show kindness and respect to one another?

- How do we foster links with charities for the homeless or those in need? Do we have links with elderly people in our locality?
- How are new members of the school community nurtured and supported in their first term?
- How does the school help, and encourage pupils to understand and empathise with members of their community who have suffered traumatic experiences, eg. bereavement?

Message from Mrs Thompson

Well, we have certainly noticed a change in the weather this week as Storm Ciaran has been blowing around. It was good that we missed the worst of it but it certainly brought some wind and rain along. Please ensure that children bring their coats with them everyday now as the temperature has also dropped. We have a packed newsletter for you this week so please take your time to read the information so that you don't miss anything. We do, of course, send lots of reminders on Class Dojo too to keep you up to date. Wrap up warm and have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Thompson

Collective Worship

This week in Collective Worship we thought about our theme of compassion. We discussed how we could care for others, treat others with kindness and help those in need. Christians believe that God never leaves us and that he is always there to guide and support us. We read a poem called Footprints in the Sand which explains that we can always rely on God.



Weekly Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you that you love us.

Thank you that you promise to be with us in times of difficulty.

When I am alone, help me to remember that you are always there.

When I am afraid, help me to seek your peace.

Thank you that I never need to 'walk alone'.

Amen



Attendance Awards

Here is our class attendance this week. This does not include children who are isolating at home. Whole school attendance this week was **96.79%**. We were very close to our target of **97%** this week. Well done everyone!

Reception 96.37%

Year 3 94.73%

Year 1 95.99%

Year 4 97.40%

Year 2 98.28%

Year 5 97.22%

Well Done!

Year 6 97.39%

Class Awards

Here are the children who have really impressed their teachers this week, either in their learning - **Golden Pupil**, or by keeping our Golden Promises - **Stars of the Week**.

Reception Golden Pupil: Evelyn Stars of the week: Jaiden B & Harrison	Year 3 Golden Pupil: Isabella Stars of the week: Hallef & Seren
Year 1 Golden Pupil: Abbie Stars of the week: Jacob & Omisha	Year 4 Golden Pupil: Liwia Stars of the week: Aaron & Kearna
Year 2 Golden Pupil: Rebecca Stars of the week: Brooklyn & Liliana	Year 5 Golden Pupil: John Stars of the week: August & Amelia W
WELL DONE!	Year 6 Golden Pupil: Natan Stars of the week: Julija & Lucius

Headteacher Award

There were lots of Headteacher Awards this week!

Year 1: Zaina for showing lovely manners

Year 1: Elsie for being such a good friend

Year 1: Oliver writing a fantastic story

Year 2: Julian for super writing

Year 2: Ava for brightening up my day with a lovely picture

Year 3: Izabella for beautiful reading

Year 3: Stefan for writing an amazing story

Year 4: Ollie for being a kind helper

Year 4: Hafsah for fantastic writing

Year 4: Zahirah for fantastic writing



The following children are all celebrating their birthday. We would like to send you best wishes from your Holy Trinity family:

Year 2: Brooklyn

Year 6: Kristupas



weekly UPDATE

Check this space every week for any important information or updates to keep you up to date with everything that is happening at Holy Trinity.

Infant Film Night

Infant Film Night was a huge success! The children enjoyed Watching a film while enjoying a drink and some nachos. A huge thank you to our PTFA who organised the event and to the many staff and volunteers who stayed at school to supervise it. A good time was had by all!



Staff Update

It has been lovely to welcome Mrs Redmond to our Holy Trinity family this week. She is working in our office alongside Mrs Wood. If you haven't already met Mrs Redmond, please pop in to say hello!



Attendance



Did you know?

When children attend school they:

- Can achieve their full potential
- Have better career prospects
- Learn how to look after themselves
- Learn how to be healthy
- Grow in confidence
- Keep up with work and homework
- Make new friends

A two-week holiday in term-time means the **highest** attendance your child can get is **94.7%**. This is 65 hours of missed school time.

We are delighted that we reached our attendance target last term with 97.1%. We understand that sometimes it can be difficult to decide if your child is well enough to come to school. Here is some useful guidance from NHS which you may find helpful:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

If you do decide to keep your child at home, it is important that you contact us at school to let us know. If we haven't heard from you, then we will come to visit you at your home to check that you are all safe and well.

A gentle reminder that holidays during term time cannot be authorised. Attendance at school throughout the year is important so that children can achieve their full potential and develop good habits. We have very high expectations for all of our children and want to give them the very best life chances.

We are always here to support you, so please don't hesitate to contact us if you need any help or advice.

Learn a New Instrument

Would your child like to learn to play a brass instrument? There is a fantastic opportunity at the Salvation Army to learn to play for just £1 per week!

If you are interested, please pop along to Shakespeare Street on a Tuesday at 4.40, during term time.



Brass roots

Southport
Salvation Army

Blow your own trumpet!

Would you like to learn to play a brass instrument?

If you are aged 7-11 we would love you to join us, it is just £1 a week including instrument hire.

NEW TERM STARTS 5TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Come along on Tuesdays at 4:30pm (term time)
65 Shakespeare Street, Southport, PR8 5AJ



The Bear and the Reindeer Competition

A gentle reminder this competition ends tomorrow, 4th November. Please see the flyer at the end of this newsletter for details on how to submit your entry.



British Legion Poppy Appeal

We are delighted to be supporting the British Legion again this year by selling some poppy merchandise. There are suggested donations for each item which are listed in the Newsletter below and these will be on sale every day from Monday.



Remembrance Day Service

You are warmly invited to our Remembrance Day Service at Holy Trinity church, next Friday 10th November at 10.40am. This will be a lovely opportunity to come together to pay our respect to service men and women who have died in wars and other military conflicts since World War 1. Our children will lead the service and it will end with us observing two minutes silence at 11am. We are honoured to have a member of the Salvation Army who will play the last post for us too. It will be lovely if you can join us for this special event.



Praise Worship will take place in school next week and so awards and certificates will be given out in classes.





NSPCC
Speak out. Stay safe.
programme

I am pleased to tell you that this term we will be participating in the NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. online programme. This consists of an online assembly and supporting classroom-based activities. Speak out. Stay safe. is a safeguarding programme available to all primary schools in the UK and Channel Islands. It aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse in a child friendly way. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a trusted adult or Childline.

If you would like to know more about the Speak out. Stay safe. programme you can find information on the NSPCC website here:

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/services/speak-out-stay-safe>

or I would be happy to discuss any questions that you may have.

There are lots of activities available for children which can be accessed here:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/safety/activities-safety-kids/>

A letter containing more information has been posted on Class Dojo today.

Christmas Card Competition

Damien Moore, our local MP, has invited us to take part in a competition to design his Christmas card for this year. The winning card will be sent to his friends, businesses around Southport, the Prime Minister and even the King! The competition is open to all Southport pupils. The card has to be designed on a piece of A4 paper and have the child's name, school and year group.

Damien said **'The design should be interesting, light and funny and pupils should express what Christmas means to them. Ultimately, this is about showing off their creativity, so I encourage all the children to draw or paint to where their imagination takes them!'**

We have sent a piece of A4 paper home with your child today so that they can start getting creative straight away. All entries need to be returned to school by Wednesday 22nd when they are being collected.

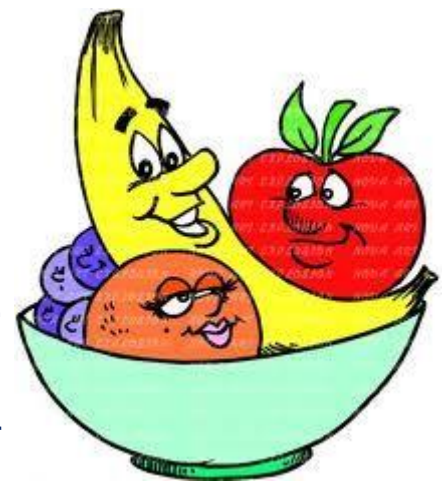


We have decided to use this as an opportunity for us to have our very own Holy Trinity Christmas card too. Before the entries are collected, we are going to choose our winner whose card will be professionally printed and distributed to friends of our school.

Good luck everybody!

Healthy Snacks

We are currently working hard to promote healthy eating at Holy Trinity. We have noticed an increasing number of sugary and unhealthy snacks being brought in for playtime. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 already have free fruit available for them every day so we will continue to encourage our children to eat this. We would like your support to only send in a healthy snack – no chocolate bars, crisps or sweets please. From Monday, snacks are going to be kept in classrooms. A reminder that we are a nut free school so do not send in any snacks or products that contain nuts. We really appreciate your support with this.



After School Clubs

We are delighted that our After School Clubs start next week. Messages have been sent home on Class Dojo and places have been allocated.

Day	Club	Year Group
Monday	Basketball	Year 2
	Netball	Year 5 & Year 6
Wednesday	Handball	Year 5 & Year 6
Thursday	Badminton	Year 3 & Year 4
Friday	Football	Year 5 & Year 6
	Wake up and Shake up (Mornings)	Key Stage 2



Pantomime News!

We are absolutely delighted to tell you that we are taking our whole school to the Atkinson on Thursday 21st December to watch Jack and the Beanstalk!

Following a successful bid application, Blue Spark Foundation have donated the money to us to enable us to provide this amazing opportunity for our children, free of charge! The Blue Spark Foundation is a registered charity which supports the education of children by providing grants for education, sporting and cultural experiences. We cannot wait!



KD Theatre Productions Ltd in association with The Atkinson present

FI FI FO FUN
PANTO AT THE ATKINSON!

A group of five cast members in elaborate panto costumes. From left to right: a man in a yellow shirt and red polka-dot overalls; a woman in a pink dress; a man in a green and white outfit; a woman in a pink and white outfit with a large pink bow; and a man in a black top hat and coat. A nameplate for 'BROOKSIDE'S DEAN SULLIVAN AS FLESHCREEP' is visible in the foreground.

JACK AND THE BEANSTALK

A GIANT CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

THE ATKINSON
Lord Street, Southport, PR8 1DB

THU 7 – SUN 31 DEC 2023
www.theatkinson.co.uk | 01704 533 333

Sefton Council

The logo for KD Theatre Productions, featuring the letters 'KD' in a stylized font above the words 'THEATRE PRODUCTIONS'.



Christmas is coming

We have got lots of events lined up for the coming weeks so please make a note of these important events!

Holy Trinity Church of England Primary School

To be the best we can be: for God, for others and for ourselves

Important Dates

- **Friday 17th November** - Mufti Day
- **Friday 24th November** - MP Christmas Card Competition deadline
- **Tuesday 28th November** – Academy Class Photographs
- **Wednesday 29th November** - PTFA Christmas Infant Disco (3-4pm)
PTFA Christmas Junior Disco (4:30-5:30pm)
- **Friday 4th December** - Raffle Tickets on Sale
- **Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th December** - Advent Workshops with Father Tom
- **Thursday 7th December** – SASWT Christmas Show (9am)
- **Thursday 12th December** - PTFA Reindeer Workshops
- **Wednesday 13th December** - Carols by Candlelight
- **Tuesday 19th December** - Reception and KS1 Nativity (10:45 & 1:45pm)
- **Thursday 21st December** - Atkinson Jack and the Beanstalk Pantomime
- **Friday 22nd December** - Christmas Service (am)
- **Friday 22nd December** - Autumn Term ends at 1:15pm
- **Tuesday 9th January** - Spring Term begins



THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION
POPPY APPEAL



**Paper Poppies and Poppy accessories
will be sold in classrooms again this year.**

**Children will be able to buy items from their classroom
starting from 31st October 2023.**

Items range from 20p to £1.50

PLEASE BRING THE CORRECT MONEY AS NO CHANGE WILL BE GIVEN

Thank you for your support

THE BEAR AND THE REINDEER

Story Writing Competition

Southport BID are inviting young people of Southport and the wider Liverpool City Region to enter a written story based on the characters 'The Bear & The Reindeer'.

The two characters are being transformed into illuminated installations which will light up The Town Hall Gardens in Southport over the Christmas period.

The winning submission will be chosen as the official story of 'The Bear and The Reindeer' and will be displayed in Southport Library at The Atkinson this festive season.

The author of the winning submission will also receive the prize of an iPad, plus £100 vouchers to spend in a Southport town centre venue of their choice.

Authors must be aged 10 or under, and stories must be submitted no later than 4 November 2023.

For full submission guidelines, visit www.southportbid.com/bear-and-reindeer or scan the QR code below.



CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS!



YOUR SOUTHPORT

THE
ATKINSON



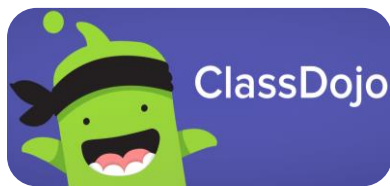
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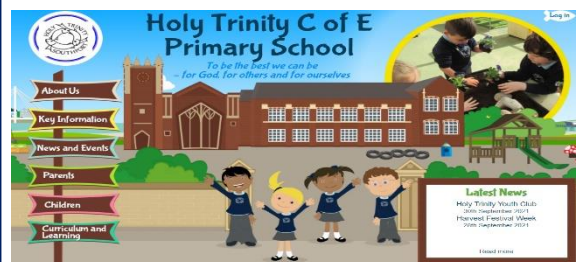
Date	Event
Tuesday 28th November	Individual Photographs
Wednesday 13th December	Carols by Candlelight
Tuesday 19th December	Infant Nativity
Friday 22nd December	Christmas service
Friday 22nd December	Finish for Christmas Holiday
Monday 25th December – Monday 8th January	Christmas Holiday
Tuesday 9th January	New Term Begins
Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February	Half Term
Friday 29th March – Monday 15th April	Easter Holiday
Tuesday 16th April	New Term Begins
Monday 6th May	Bank Holiday (School Closed)
Monday 13th May – Friday 17th May	Year 6 SATS
Monday 27th May 0 Friday 31st May	Half Term
Monday 3rd June	New Term Begins
Tuesday 23rd July	End of Year Service. Last day of term.



There are many ways to contact us at school. Please let us know if you have any worries, concerns, or questions – there is no such thing as a silly question! We would also love to hear about any positive news you have, that we can share about your child.



If you would like to pass any messages to your child's class teacher, you can pop a message on Class Dojo.



Visit our school website here:
<https://www.holytrinityprimary.co.uk/>



Contact our office on:
01704 538366



Email us:

office@holytrinityprimary.co.uk

School Contacts

- **School Nurse:**

Our School Nurse is Mrs Liz Keighley. You can contact her or the other nurses directly at MerseyCare on 0151 247 6354 or you can contact the school nurse directly at: mcn-tr.hoghton0-19team@nhs.net or speak to the office.

- **Family Link Worker:**

Mrs Louise Rees **is our Family Link Worker at Holy Trinity Primary School.** One of her roles is to provide practical support to all our families and a chance to chat things through. This might be support with school concerns, housing, employment, benefits, physical health, mental health or many other things. We work closely with community groups like Compassion Acts, Parenting 2000 and Sefton CVS and can help families to access any specialist support they might need.

As a school, we actively encourage the involvement of parents and carers in children's learning and well-being and all our families are warmly invited to meet Mrs Rees to discuss any concerns you might have.

Please feel free to pop into school and see me or email Mrs Rees for an appointment: louise.rees@ldst.org.uk

- **Learning Mentor/Safeguarding Coordinator:**

Our Learning Mentor is Mrs Jude Rankin and she is available to speak to most mornings and afternoons on the Junior Yard Gate. Mrs Rankin works closely with families that require support and oversees our attendance. If you find yourself struggling or have any issues or concerns, please speak to Mrs Rankin or the school office so that school can support you. You can call on 07970 389 365 or email Judith.Rankin@ldst.org.uk. You can also speak to the office to arrange a meeting.

If there is an urgent or safeguarding issue please make sure to contact to school office if you cannot speak to Mrs Rankin.