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A Message from the Headteacher

If I have not seen you so far... a belated HAPPY NEW YEAR to you all!! Everyone at Tarleton Holy Trinity CE Primary School wishes that you all have a healthy, safe, successful and prosperous 2021!!

Mr Johnson's Announcement 4th January - and what it means for THT

Well I wasn't expecting Mr Johnson's decision last night...maybe from Monday 11th onwards - but...

- a) Hopefully you will have seen the message that came to you on the school app today - that from tomorrow, Tarleton Holy Trinity will be partially open to children of 'critical workers' and children who are considered as vulnerable.

The school day will be officially from 9am until 3pm for these children - We are requesting that the children are in for full days to restrict the number of times we need to withdraw children from the bubbles.

A free wrap around provision will be laid on from 8 until 9am and from 3 until 4pm for those who need it...you don't need to book this...just come to the main entrance and someone will be there.

- b) Just to remind parents that when they pick up / drop off children at the hub:
- Parents/carers are to drop the children off at the front door / main entrance
 - Parents/carers are to wear face coverings whilst on the school premises;
 - Parents/carers are requested not to 'linger' once they have dropped off their child / children at school;
 - Parents/carers are requested not to enter school unless absolutely necessary and by appointment only. When it is necessary for parent/carer to enter the school building they will be instructed to follow handwashing and social distancing guidelines;
 - Parents are advised that only one parent should accompany their child to the school entrance;
 - A member of staff will welcome the children into school and 'sign them in';
 - Don't forget to keep 2m apart
 - Pupils are not to wear face coverings

- c) Snacks will be provided for the children during the day. An 'Honesty' box will be inside the front entrance - could we ask for a voluntary contribution of 20p per day?

- d) Depending on numbers in the hub - the staff may alternate each week - so that they are in school one week and then planning on-line / remote learning the following week. Your class teacher will contact you through ClassDojo and will provide links to resources / videos / recorded THT teacher lessons / e-books etc. for the children to work on at home. The children in the hub will be concentrating on many of the same activities. Please be aware that when the teachers are in school working with the children in the hub, contact through ClassDojo will be limited. Work will start to appear on ClassDojo this week - some is already there...so keep looking!! Celebration Worship will not take place - but I will be recording a diary of the week for you all to enjoy!!

- e) From Monday onwards - exercise books will be placed within the main entrance if you need one for your child to work in at home. They will not need different books for each subject - (one for all will do) - and please only take one book for each child that you have.
- f) Some of you have already been contacted regarding 'packs' that some teachers are putting together for the children to work on at home. Other year groups will be contacted in due course.
- g) For children working in the Hub - please bring your exercise book / pack to school each day to work in.
- h) Hot School meals will be provided for children who normally receive a Free School Meal (FSM) - or a Universal Free School Meal (Free infant meal). Other children can select a hot school meal when 'booking' their Hub place through the App priced at £2.30 per meal. (Please pay through ParentPay as usual.) Children of course can alternatively bring their own packed lunch from home. Free School Meal Vouchers will be provided for parents / carers who usually receive a FSM - who are **not** attending school at all. If the children come in for at least one day a week the vouchers cannot be issued for the days that do not attend school.
- i) Children attending the hub are not required to wear school uniform. We ask them to try and wear something 'PE friendly' and make sure they bring a coat - and a fleece/jumper to wear in our 'ventilated' classrooms. Please ensure that the children wear a clean set of clothes each day.

Other News:

Christmas Cards and Gifts

The staff of THT and I would like to say a big THANK YOU to those who sent in cards and gifts that were sent to us as Christmas Presents. The gifts were very thoughtful, often very personal and the 'homemade gifts' were exceptionally lovely. Thank you!!

Team Point Winners

The week before Christmas saw our Asland Team win the most points for the week.

The Team who won the most points for the term were our red **Ribble** team. Well done Ribble!!

Our Worship Theme for this Week is...

Epiphany - the coming of the 3 Wise Men

Donations from before Christmas

I would like to thank you for the generosity of everyone who donated to the 'Wear What You Want Day' just before we broke up for Christmas. We raised an amazing £645 for school. Thank you so much!!

Letters to Santa

I hope that all the children received their letters from Santa OK...just over £200 was collected for the postage 'bill'.

Friends Chocolate Raffle

Thank you to our Friends for organising this Year's Christmas Chocolate Raffle (well 2020's). The Chocolate Raffle was very well supported this year...thank you to all who bought a ticket(s)...a total of £430 was raised for the Friends Funds. Well done to the lucky winners who were:

Year Group	1 st Prize	Second Prize	Third Prize	Extra Prize
Reception	Arlo	Frank	Isla	Charlotte
Year 1	Charlotte	Maddie	Arthur	Harry H
Year 2	Lexi	Elena	Molly	Shared out
Year 3	Harry	Abigail	Joe	Jessica H
Year 4	Oscar K	Abi	Emily	Shared out
Year 5	Joshua	Lucy H	Katie	Shared out
Year 6	Ava H	Neve	Harry	Owen

Thank You from the British Legion - for raising just over £300 from the collection in November 2020!!

Are You Applying for School/Academy Places for September 2021? - Time is really running out!!

If you have a child who has a 4th birthday between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021, you only have until 15th January 2021 to complete your application form for a place in next year's Reception Class. 10 days left!!

For Lancashire resident families you need to apply for a school place, even if an older brother or sister is already attending your preferred school/academy.

The means of application is via Lancashire's on-line system at:-
www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools (then "Apply for a school place")

It is quick and easy to use and offers an e-mail receipt of all submitted applications. Please ensure that you hit the "submit" button when you are ready to send in your completed on-line application. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your on-line application.

A reminder that the closing dates for applications for September 2021 are at 11-59 pm on 15th January 2021!!

Celebration Worship this week

Yesterday I recorded an 'Attendance' worship to celebrate those children who achieved 100% attendance for the Autumn term 2020. However, I'm not sure whether all teachers managed to 'fit it in' yesterday - so some certificates were not given out.

I did give a special certificate to Mrs Warburton's Year 2 Class who won the Best Attending Class of Autumn Term 2020 (well done Year 2!!). I know it's been tough to keep the children in school due to COVID, but it is good to celebrate the 'usual' achievements' when we can. Well done to all the children who achieved 100% Attendance for the Autumn Term (that's September 1st until December 18th 2020!!). An amazing 94 children (that's just under 50% of the school) never missed a day of school...so a big THANK YOU to them and to their families for making sure that they come to school every day. (Under the latest regulations - a child 'off school' due to COVID reasons doesn't count in the statistics.)

Reception	Jackson, Erin, Frank, Cody, Lyla, Joseph, Isla, Charlotte, Regan, Leo, Darragh and Arthur
Year 1	Maddie, Henry, Izobel, Toby, Amelia, Lily-May, Harry, Mason, Paige, Jemima, Lily M, Sophie, Adelaide, James, Joshua, Georgia, Theo and Arthur
Year 2	Tommy, Max, Molly, Henry, Elena, Xander, James, Jack, Mary, Connie, Harry, Benjamin, Freddie and Lexie
Year 3	Imogen, Noah, Hartlyn, Isabelle, Charlie, Ophelia, Rachael, Jack, Summer, Oliver, Jessica, Ruby and John
Year 4	Abi, Chloe, Ava H, William, Oscar K, Lucy, Emily, Daisy, Ella and Ivy
Year 5	Jonah, Iris, Oakly, Masie, Freya, Ethan H, Lucy I, Katie, Theo, Oliver, George, Jack, Lucas, Daisy and Joshua
Year 6	Neve, Olivia, Stephanie, Oliver, Blake, Ava H, Samarra, Leah, Jessica M, Harry, Ava P and Maisy

The Weekly Newsletter

I will still write a Newsletter for you each Tuesday - to 'keep you in the loop' - although extra information may come to you more often as and when needed.

Our New School Promotional Video

Adam Crowther, the person who takes all our official school photos (Director and owner of MyFoto) came into school towards the end of last term and took some photos and short videos of our children. Mixed

with photos from the past, these have been put together in a short presentation which parents / carers can view on our school website. For now, this is to substitute the fact that we can't hold any Open Days. The video is on the 'About Us' section of the Website, or click on <http://tarletonhollytrinity.org/school-video/> to view it in full!!

As always...thanks for reading...stay safe...yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. B. Smith', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Stephen B. Smith
Head teacher

Did you know...

According to one website on average, January is the coldest month of the year in the Northern Hemisphere. January is said to be named after the Roman God, Janus. He was the god of beginnings and transitions in Roman mythology, and presided over passages, doors, gates and endings, as well as in transitional periods such as from war to peace. He was usually depicted as having two faces looking at opposite ways, one towards the past and the other towards the future.