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School Council's Christmas Bake Off - Friday 9th December

The School Council would like to raise some money for their next project...and have asked if they can hold a 'Bake Off' this Friday, 9th December.

The 'Bake Off' is a Christmas Themed cake competition (Cup Cakes or larger cakes) where there will be a prize for the best entry / entries.

The School Council are asking entrants to pay 50p to enter the competition (whether it's one cake or a tin full) and then we will be selling the cakes at the end of school priced at 20p per cup cake / slice of cake...so please get baking!!

Tarleton Holy Trinity's Christmas Market

A massive **THANK YOU** to everyone who organized, helped, came or contributed in any way to the success of the Market. We had about loads of people attending the market, which resulted in a grand total of £2,100 made on the day!! Of course, all the money raised is spent on the children of Tarleton Holy Trinity Primary School!! Thank you to you all!!

THT Church Services

You may have already seen dates for the church services at Holy Trinity over Christmas...but if not, here they are:

Eucharist - 18th December at 8.00am

Family Eucharist - 18th December at 10.45am

Village carols - 18th December at 6.30pm

THT's School Service - 21st December at 2.00pm

Christingle - 24th December at 4.00pm

Mid Night Mass - 24th December at 11.30pm into Christmas Day

Eucharist - 25th December at 8.00am

Family Eucharist - 25th December at 10.45am

Eucharist - 26th and 27th December at 10.00am - services for St Stephen and St John

Of course there are all the usual services leading up to and after Christmas Day...have a look in the parish Magazine for more dates and details.

Time is Running Out...Are You Applying for School/Academy Place(s) for September 2017??

Do you have a child who has a 4th birthday between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017? - then 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 click on "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. The closing dates for Primary school applications for September 2017 are at 11-59 pm on 15th January 2017.

Celebration Worship

Last Friday was our first Celebration Worship in December!! Well done to all the children who made it to my bench!! They were:



Reception	Nate
Year 1	James S
Year 2	Amelia
Year 3	Olivia
Year 4	Gracie
Year 5	Amelia
Year 6	Isabelle

Our Worship Theme for this Week is...

Advent - Hope

Team Point Winners

Last Week's Winners - Ribble

The Infant Production 2017 - Shine Star Shine

A reminder that all the tickets for the Tuesday evening performance have all now been distributed, but we do have some tickets left for the Wednesday afternoon. Please get your 'orders' in ASAP to avoid disappointment.

Please remember, that during all the performance(s), we do not allow any photographs or videos to be taken due to Safeguarding reasons. Thank you.

Please make sure that you have all costumes into school by tomorrow if possible as we are beginning to rehearse with them...thanks!!

School's Christmas Post Box

Our own School Post Box is outside the School Hall and is ready for the children's Christmas Cards to each other (and the staff). Just make sure that the card has the name it is going to, and their class, clearly on the front...and our Year 6 postal workers will do the rest!!

Letters to Father Christmas

This Friday is your child's last chance to write to Father Christmas. As Father Christmas can get a little confused at this time of year, seeing as he has so much to do, please could parents / carers include a possible achievement that your child has done this year or something exciting that has happened or is going to happen, without the children knowing, and send it into school...and this will help Father Christmas make his reply that little bit more personal. Mrs Forrest will collate all the information and get it to Father Christmas, so please either slip a little note in the Letter to Father Christmas envelope which will be passed to her, email her via the school or pop in and see her.

Library Books

If your child / children has got a school library book at home - please can we have them in as soon as possible, preferably tomorrow, so that we can do a 'stock check' before the start of next term.

Attendance Figures

During last week, 152 (out of 172) of our children managed to achieve 100% attendance - they didn't miss one day of school!! The 'best attending class of the week' was a tie between Mrs Dimmock's Year 2 Class - 99.5% attendance for the week!! During the same week five children were late for at least one session of school.

School Dinners

The week beginning the 12th December is 'Week 1' of the new Winter Lancashire Lunch menu.

The changes to week 1's menu: Janet is putting Monday's Meatballs in Gravy and serving it with Mashed Potatoes instead of putting them in a Tomato Sauce with Pasta. She is also changing Tuesday's Macaroni Cheese to a Cheese Whirl!...and then, of course, on Friday 16th December, it is our Christmas Lunch.

Don't forget, as usual, in addition to the advertised meals - the children can choose from 3 sandwiches (ham, cheese or tuna) or can request a jacket potato - just get them to ask when they are having the dinner register 'taken'.

Morning Toast and Friday Breakfast Buns

These items are now 'open' to book for next $\frac{1}{2}$ term on ParentPay. Payment/ booking needed by 21st December at 1.00pm in order to get them on the list for the first day back after the Christmas Holidays. Thanks!!

A Message from Miss Jagger

Year 5 would like to 'revamp' their reading area...if you have any spare cushions you could donate to the area - it would be very much appreciated!

What's Happening for the rest of the term...??

Please see below for all the December dates and Christmas Festivities at THT!!

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,



Stephen B. Smith
(Headteacher)

Did you know...

Henry Cole was the director of the Victoria and Albert Museum in London. It is reported that in 1843 he forgot to send out his usual Christmas letters, so he designed a card with a Christmas wish and sent it to all his friends...and this started the Christmas Card trend!!

December 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1	2	3	4 Friends Christmas Market
5	6	7	8 The choir sings at Oakgate Close and Plox Brow	9 Stepping Stones Christmas Party	10	11
12 Infants' Dress Rehearsal 2pm	13 Infant Production 6.30pm	14 Infant Production 2pm The choir sings for the Mother's Union	15 Whole School trip to Pantomime Christmas Disco 6.30pm	16 Christmas Lunch with parents	17	18 Village Carols in Church 6.30pm
19 KS1 Christmas Party	20 KS2 Christmas Party	21 End of Autumn Term THT Service in Church at 2pm	22 Christmas Holiday	23 Christmas Holiday	24 	25 
26 Christmas Holiday 	27 Christmas Holiday	28 Christmas Holiday	29 Christmas Holiday	30 Christmas Holiday	31 	