



# Tarleton Holy Trinity Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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## Value...Dream...Achieve...

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### THT's Christmas Fair 2024

All the monies from the Christmas Fair have been counted...and we are pleased to announce that we raised just over £1,700.00 - which is a massive achievement...thanks to everyone involved!! - What a team!!



### Celebration Worship

It's the last Celebration Worship of 2024 on Friday - I wonder who will be on the Bench??

### End of Term Service in Church - Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

It is a tradition that Tarleton Holy Trinity finishes the Autumn Term by enjoying a Christmas Service that the children and staff have put together. We would like to invite you to join us in Church on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December with the service beginning at **1.30pm**. It will last for about an hour. Once the service has finished, the children will then come back to school. If any parents and carers who have attended the service, would like to pick their children up from school, please pick your children up from the usual doors after school. For those parents who can't make it...we will see you at approximately 2.30pm. ...a reminder that there will not be an After School Club, or Easy Pick Up on the last day of term (20<sup>th</sup> December). Easy Drop and Breakfast Club will run as usual in the morning.

### Infant Production

The tickets for our Infant Production 'Follow the Star' have been given out...and we don't have any spares!! Please remember to bring them with you when you come to watch the performance!! We cannot go above our allocated number for people in the hall at any one time - due to fire regulations - so it is a ticket only event!! (This is calculated on the number of doors there are to the hall and not how big the hall is.) Photos of the cast members and some of the Dress Rehearsal are already on our Facebook page and on our Website - so please leave your phone cameras in your bags or pockets - and then sit back and enjoy the show!!

### Last Week's Attendance

Last week - 181 pupils (88% of the school) attended school for 100% of the time - they didn't miss one session of school.

7 children (from 5 different families) were late for school at least once (after 9.00am).

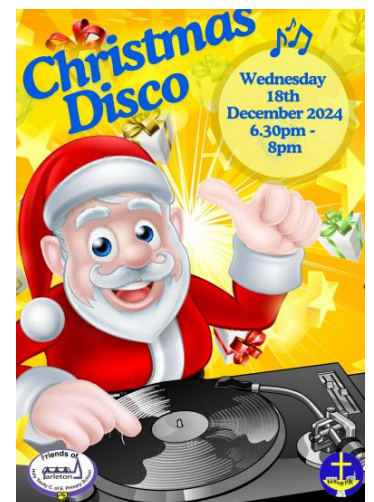
The best attending classes for the week was once again our Year 6 Class who achieved over 98.75% for the week - Well done to Mr Skinner's Class!!

### Friends Christmas Disco

The Christmas Disco will be held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. Doors will open at 6:30pm and

children are to be collected at 8:00pm. Admission to the Disco is £3.00 per child. Parents and carers of younger children are welcome to stay, but unfortunately we can only accept children who attend the school at the event.

Contact forms will be sent out separately, please try to ensure that you complete these prior to the disco to speed up entry on the night. Many thanks for your support.



## A bit of a Sale

We have some Secret Santa presents and some cakes left from the Christmas Fair. Mrs Seeley will be having a 'bit of a sale' after school - outside her classroom - on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>. Please try and bring some change!!

## School Choir

Our Choir have already sung at our own Christmas Fair and will be singing at the End of Term Church Service. One other main event is when the choir sing at Tarleton Library on 19<sup>th</sup> December at 11am. Please join us at any or both of these events!!

## A List of What is Happening Up to Christmas at THT!!:

A reminder of what is happening between now and the end of term...

- 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> December - Infant Production at 2pm (ticket only event)
- 10<sup>th</sup> December - Football Finals for our Mixed Team and our Girls team
- 11<sup>th</sup> December - Choir Church After School Club singing for the Mother's Union in Church at 2pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> December - Years 5 and 6 to visit Tarleton Academy to watch their Christmas Concert 10am
- 12<sup>th</sup> December - Infant Production at 6pm (ticket only event)
- 13<sup>th</sup> December - Last Stepping Stones before Christmas
- 16<sup>th</sup> December - Infant Christmas Party (YR and Y1 & 2) 1.30pm (Letter coming soon!!)
- 17<sup>th</sup> December - Junior Christmas Party (Years 3 to 6) 1.30pm (Letter coming soon!!)
- 17<sup>th</sup> December - Holy Trinity Church's Village Carol Service at 7.15pm in Church - all invited
- 18<sup>th</sup> December - THT's Christmas Lunch 11.45am and 12.30pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> December - Friends Christmas Disco 6.30pm (more details to follow)
- 19<sup>th</sup> December - School Choir Singing at Tarleton Library (11.00am) - all invited
- 20<sup>th</sup> December - End of Term Service in Church at 1.30pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> December - School Closes for Christmas after the Church Service has finished - approx 2.30pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025 - School Opens for the Spring Term 2025 at the usual time

## Team Point Update

It's nearly time to announce the winning team of the term...

Ribble are leading the overall 'race' at the moment... and they gained the most points last week!! Can anyone over take them??

## School Dinners - Week 3 of the Cycle - week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> December

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Traditional Main Course	<b>Red</b> Big Brunch Booths Pork or Quorn Sausages Free Range Omelette Crispy Potatoes & Baked Beans	<b>Red</b> Savoury Beef or Quorn Mince & Dumplings with Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Christmas Lunch	<b>Red</b> Puff Pastry Cheese Whirl with Herby Wedges & Baked Beans (v)	<b>Red</b> Golden Crumb Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans
Pizza & Pasta	<b>Green</b> Golden Crumb Salmon Fillet Fingers with Crispy Potatoes Garden Peas & Sweetcorn	<b>Green</b> Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)		<b>Green</b> Spaghetti Bolognese with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection	<b>Green</b> Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans (v)
Jacket potato	<b>Blue</b> Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	<b>Blue</b> Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection		<b>Blue</b> Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	<b>Blue</b> Choice of filled Sandwich Roll with Tortilla Chips Freshly Prepared Salad Selection
Sandwiches	White Tuna/cheese/ham	White Tuna/cheese/ham		White Tuna/cheese/ham	White Tuna/cheese/ham

Just a reminder that if your child has a paid for school meals - these need to be booked by 11.59pm on the Thursday of this week through ParentPay. Meals are priced at £2.75 per meal.

### School's Christmas Post Box

Our own School Post Box is in the main corridor (near to the library) 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!!

### Village Carols at Holy Trinity Church - 17<sup>th</sup> December 2024

This is a similar service to a 'Nine Lessons and Carols' service that some churches have round about Christmas time. The Village Carol Service is a time where all the Village meet in church to listen to some readings and sing some carols.

Children from Tarleton Holy Trinity School and Tarleton Mere Brow School will be joining together to sing one of the carols during the service - and we would love for as many THT children to be there as possible. I will be near the front of the church with some other members of staff to look after the children if needed during the service - or they can sit with parents and come out when it is our bit. It all starts at 7.15pm and should last for about an hour and 15 minutes!!

### Are You Applying for a Primary School/Academy Place for September 2025?

If have a child who has a 4<sup>th</sup> birthday between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025, 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 closing dates for [Primary school applications](#) September 2025 - is **15th January 2025** at 11:59 pm.

The means of application is via Lancashire's on-line system at: - [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools) (or simply click [here](#)).

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.

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,



Stephen B. Smith  
Headteacher

### Did you know...

According to one website - Every year, Norway sends a beautiful home-grown Christmas tree to London, where it is decorated with lights in Trafalgar Square. Standing a towering 20m tall, the terrific tree is a gift to say thank you for the help the UK gave Norway during World War II. What a 'tree-mendous' gift!

Our Advent prayer...

*Dear God,  
Help us to make our hearts ready for Jesus.  
Help us to be patient as we wait.  
Help us to re-live this amazing story.  
Help us to change for the better, that we may reflect the  
light of Jesus.  
In Jesus' name. AMEN*

