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A Reminder from Friends - Christmas Chocolate Raffle

The draw for the raffle will be held at the end of this week - on Friday 15th December - with chocolate prizes to be won in each class. Raffle tickets are still on sale until Thursday 14th, priced at 50p each and are available to purchase from your child's class teacher.

End of Term Service in Church - Wednesday 20th 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 Wednesday 20th 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 as soon as possible after 2.30pm. ...a reminder that there will not be an After School Club, or Easy Pick Up on the last day of term (20th December). Easy Drop and Breakfast Club will run as usual in the morning.

Celebration Worship

We held a lovely Celebration Worship last Friday. The children making it to the Bench were:

Reception	Archie
Year 1	Lincoln and Jagger
Year 2	Minnie
Year 3	Joseph
Year 4	Sophie
Year 5	Bethany
Year 6	Jessica H and Harley
Headteacher Award	Harry in Year 4

Applying for a Reception Class Primary School Place for September 2024?? Time is running out!!

If have a child who has a 4th birthday between 1st September 2023 and 31st August 2024 - you need to apply for a school place.

The means of application is via Lancashire's on-line system at:-

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools (or simply click [here](#)).

The closing date for applications for September 2024 is at 11-59 pm on 15th January 2024

Please ensure that you hit the "submit" button when you are ready to send in your completed on-line application!!

Panto Trip

We have been able to claim more Tax back from the Panto trip than we initially thought - and we have put it towards updating some of our costumes, and, as we have more Infants on the Stage this year, we have had to buy extra staging! As we have raised this extra money this year, we will not be asking for a retiring collection after the performances.

School Kits

Please return any School Kit(s) to Mr Skinner before the Christmas Break - football kits etc. Thanks!!



Friends Christmas Disco

A huge THANK YOU to all those who supported our Christmas Disco this year - and an even big THANKS goes to Steph Farnworth and her team of helpers who organised and ran the disco. Early indications show that Friends raise a profit of about £440 for the evening - an amazing total - thank you everyone!!

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!!

Lunches - Week 2 of the Winter Menu - Week Beginning 18th December 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Tomato Ketchup with Potatoes Wedges and Mixed Vegetables	British Beef or Veggie Burger in a Bun with Potatoes Wedges and Mixed Vegetables	Harry Ramsden's Crispy Battered Fish with Chips and Peas	Closed for Christmas	Closed for Christmas
or	or	or		
Mac 'n' Cheese Bake with Crust Bread and Garden Peas	Pasta with Tomato and Herb Sauce with Crusty Bread and Salad	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Chips and Sweetcorn		

Please note that as we are on the Panto trip on Friday - Janet will not be making any toast or Breakfast Buns on that day - these will be cooked on Tuesday 19th instead.

Dates for your Diary

Here are some of the more important dates between now and the End of Term:

12th and 13th December - Infant Production at 2pm

14th December - Infant Production at 6.30pm

14th December - School Choir Singing at Tarleton Library (10.00am)

15th December - Whole School Trip to the Pantomime in Southport

18th December - Infant Christmas Party (YR and Y1 & 2) 1.30pm

18th December - Holy Trinity Church's Village Carol Service at **7.00pm** in Church

19th December - Junior Christmas Party (Years 3 to 6) 1.30pm

20th December - End of Term Service in Church at 1.30pm

20th December - School Closes for Christmas after the Church Service has finished - approx. 2.30pm

4th January 2024 - School Opens for the Spring Term 2024 at the usual time

Village Carols at Holy Trinity Church - 18th December 2023

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 7.00pm and should last for about an hour and 15 minutes!!

Last Week's Attendance

Last week - 154 pupils attended school for 100% of the time - they didn't miss one session of school.

13 children (from 8 different families) were late for school at least once (after 9.00am).

The best attending classes for the week was, once again, Miss Iddon's Year 4 class - with an attendance figure of 97.7%.

House point Update:

Last week our green Asland team won the most team points - but Yarrow (Yellow Team) still leads the House point competition for the term - with only one week to go!!

Services in Church over Christmas

CHRISTMAS EVE

Christingle 3.15pm at Rufford
Christingle 4.30pm at Tarleton
Bethlehem Mass 8.30pm at Tarleton
Midnight Mass 11.30pm at Rufford

CHRISTMAS DAY

Sung Eucharist 9.15am Rufford
Sung Eucharist 10.45am Tarleton

DECEMBER 26th / 27th 10am Holy Eucharist at Tarleton
DECEMBER 28th 7pm Holy Eucharist at Rufford

SUNDAY December 31st

8am Holy Eucharist at Rufford
9.15am Holy Eucharist at Rufford
10.45am Holy Eucharist at Holy Trinity at Tarleton

This Week's Worship - Advent 3 - The Angels

Breakfast and After School Club Playworkers

We are still looking to recruit a Playworker(s) for our Breakfast Club (BC) and After School Club (ASC). Initially this would be approximately 4 times a week in the Breakfast club, 7:45 - 8:45am and 3 times a week in the Afterschool Club, 3:30 - 6.00pm. Pay is £10.79 per hour (Grade 3 Point 3).

https://schooljobs.lancashire.gov.uk/nt_vacancyDetails.asp?id=62678

A Message from the 'On-Line Safety People'

'With the Christmas festivities just around the corner, children are looking forward to receiving gifts. For many, this may be devices that allow you to go online. Even with the best intentions, many parents have a false sense of how to keep their child secure, or think their child is more secure than they actually are.'

Please feel free to share with your parents - carers the attached information sheet either electronically and/or through your website, on keeping children safe online this Christmas. It is a great timely reminder of the key Safety Net messages.' Scroll down for a poster...

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,



Stephen B. Smith (Headteacher)

Did you know...

The UK is self-sufficient in producing its own Christmas trees. According to the British Christmas Tree Growers Association, there are 8 main different varieties of Christmas tree grown in the UK - the most common being the Nordmann fir.

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



It's Christmas Time – Parents guide to help keep children safe online

It's Christmas Time!



A Parent's Guide to Social Media



A Parent's Guide to Sharing Pictures



A Parent's Guide to Gaming



A Parent's Guide to Online Grooming



scan the QR code with your phone's camera to see the guides on our website



A Parent's Guide to Live Streaming



A Parent's Guide to Online Influencers



A Parent's Guide to Fake News



A Parent's Guide to Privacy Settings

It's always best to be prepared

Many parents may be planning to give electronic gadgets to their children this festive period.

Our guide is designed to help parents take a realistic approach to help keep their children safe when using the internet, social media and playing online games.

Scan the QR code to find out more.

Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

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