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End of Term Service in Church - Friday 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 Friday 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.

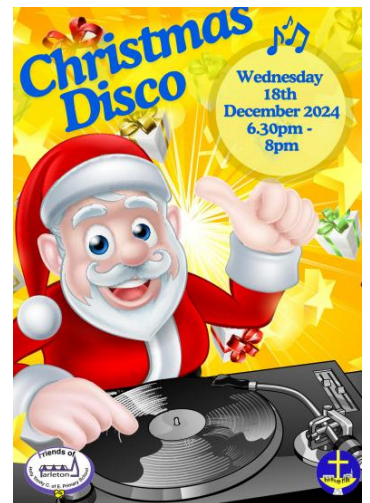
Village Carols at Holy Trinity Church - Tonight - 17th December 2024

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!!

Friends Christmas Disco

The Christmas Disco will be held on Wednesday 18th 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 List of What is Happening Up to Christmas at THT!!:

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

17th December - Holy Trinity Church's Village Carol Service at 7.15pm in Church - all invited

18th December - THT's Christmas Lunch 11.45am and 12.30pm

18th December - Friends Christmas Disco 6.30pm

19th December - School Choir Singing at Tarleton Library (11.00am) - all invited

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

6th January 2025 - School Opens for the 6th Spring Term 2025 at the usual time

Celebration Worship

It was the last Celebration Worship of 2024 last Friday!! Well done to the children who made it to 'The Bench'...they were:



Reception	Eddie
Year 1	All Year 1
Year 2	Hugo
Year 3	Eliana
Year 4	Penelope
Year 5	Izobel
Year 6	Lizzie
Headteacher Award	Sienna in Year 2

Team Point Update

Congratulation to Ribble (our Red Team) who are the winners of the most Team Points during the Autumn Term 2024.

As a reward the children in Ribble can come to school on Thursday (19th) in any clothes that they want - with a little hint of Red!!

Toast and Breakfast Buns for next half term

Please can you make sure your child knows if they are having toast and breakfast buns for a morning snack for the next half term (January/February 2025). Quite often at the beginning of a term - we have some confused children whose parents have changed whether they have toast or not - and have not told the children... If their name is not on the list - we can't give them any toast!!

The deadline for booking Spring Term's Toast and Breakfast Buns is at 12 noon on Thursday 19th December.

(Just a reminder that Breakfast Buns are served on Fridays only for Years 3 to 6 - there is a choice of a Bacon Breakfast Bun or a Quorn Sausage Breakfast Bun.)

Last Week's Attendance

Last week - 161 pupils (out of a possible 204) attended school for 100% of the time - they didn't miss one session of school.

16 children (from 11 different families) were late for school at least once (after 9.00am).

The best attending classes for the week was our Year 6 Class (for the third week running) who achieved over 98.44% for the week - Well done to Mr Skinner's Class!!

School Dinners - Week 3 of the Cycle - week beginning 6th January 2025

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Traditional Main Course	Red Big Brunch Booths Pork or Quorn Sausages Free Range Omelette Crispy Potatoes & Baked Beans	Red Savoury Beef or Quorn Mince & Dumplings with Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Red Roast Chicken or Roast Quorn Fillet & Gravy with Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Red Puff Pastry Cheese Whirl with Herby Wedges & Baked Beans (v)	Red Golden Crumb Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans
Pizza & Pasta	Green Golden Crumb Salmon Fillet Fingers with Crispy Potatoes Garden Peas & Sweetcorn	Green Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)	Green Vegetable & Chick Pea Curry with Mixed Rice & Naan Bread (v)	Green Spaghetti Bolognaise with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection	Green Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans (v)
Jacket potato	Blue Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Blue Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Blue Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Blue Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Blue 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	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.

Christmas Dates for Church Services

Carol Services

Tarleton Village Carols December 17th at 7.15pm with Tarleton Silver Band
Rufford Village Carols December 22nd at 6pm

Christmas Eve Services

3.15pm Nativity, Carols & Christingle, Rufford
4.30pm Nativity, Carols & Christingle, Tarleton
8.00pm Bethlehem Mass, Rufford
11.30pm Mid Night Mass, Tarleton

Christmas Day Services

9.15am Rufford
10.45am Tarleton

School's Christmas Post Box

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

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

If have a child who has a 4th birthday between 1st September 2024 and 31st 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 (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

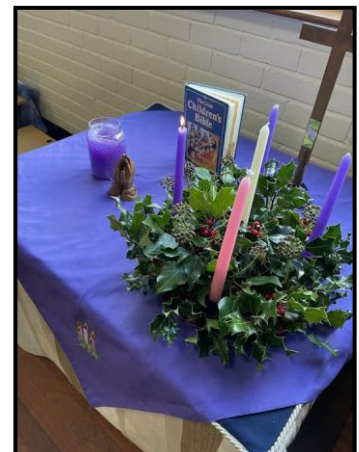
Did you know...

"A Visit from St. Nicholas", more commonly known as "The Night Before Christmas" and "'Twas the Night Before Christmas", is a poem first published anonymously in 1823.

It wasn't until 1837 when Clement Clarke Moore who acknowledged authorship of the now very famous poem.

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*



...And Finally

Just to remind you that **school closes for Christmas on Friday, (20th December), at approximately 2.30pm** - just after the End of Term Service in church. We start the Spring 2024 Term at 8.55am on Monday 6th January with the doors opening at the usual time of 8.45am.

*Can I once again take this opportunity to thank everyone at Tarleton Holy Trinity:
The children, the staff, the parents and the Governors who have all worked so hard this term. Everyone's support and kind wishes are always very welcomed!! On behalf of us all at Tarleton Holy Trinity, have a very Merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year!!*

