



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

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## Happy New Year Everyone!!

Welcome back to a new year at THT. We hope that you had an amazing Christmas - you managed to relax and re-boot...and are ready for the exciting things that 2023 has to bring!!



### House Points for Autumn 2022

Just a reminder that we announced that last Term's House Point Winners are Yarrow - one point ahead of Douglas.

House	Total for the Term
Yarrow	1353
Douglas	1352
Asland	1302
Ribble	1253

So well done to Yarrow, who, on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January, may come to school in whatever clothes they want (with a hint of yellow) - as a reward for winning the most House points for the Autumn Term 2022

### Some moans I'm Afraid...

1. Please can I remind you that if a child is being collected from school by a different adult - you need to let the **school office** know. This is a matter of safeguarding and Dojo messages to the class teacher is not sufficient.
2. If your child is not able to attend an After School Club, especially a West Lancs Sports Partnership Club - please give the school as much as notice as possible as we may need to cancel the club if not enough are attending.
3. If your child is book in but not attending our own After School Club (Cool Kids Zone) - please contact as soon as possible using text message to the their ASC phone 07887 882533. If you do not cancel or let us know in time you will still be charged.

### Are You Applying for School/Academy Places for September 2023??

Only 12 days left!!

Do you have a child who has a 4<sup>th</sup> birthday between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023 - then for Lancashire resident families you need to apply for a Primary 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](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools) (or simply click [here](#)).

This already went live on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022. 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 applications for September 2023 are at 11-59 pm on 15th January 2023.



### Goodbye to Mrs Sudworth

With mixed feelings we said an official 'Goodbye' to Mrs Sudworth in worship this morning. Tomorrow she will be starting her new post as Data and Examinations officer at Balshaw's Church of England High School in Leyland. We will be sad to see Mrs Sudworth go as she has been an integral part of the THT family since she joined us in September 2015. However, we are pleased and proud that she has gained this new position and wish her well!!

Mrs Lee will be increasing her hours in the office to become our new School Bursar, and we look forward to be working with Mrs Brown, who will be starting as our new School Admin person during the next couple of weeks. Mrs Brown will be working for us for 3 days a week.

### A Reminder of Some Changes at THT

- Miss Jagger is now our Deputy Headteacher and is teaching Year 3.
- Mrs Lancaster, who has been working at THT for the last couple of years is working in Year 5 on a Monday and Tuesday.
- Mrs Warburton is now THT's new Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO).
- From tomorrow, Mrs Lee is now our School Bursar (email: bursar@...).
- From 16<sup>th</sup> January, Mrs Brown is our new School Admin.

### Ninja Warrior Club

Tonight is the start of Ninja Warrior Club for Years 5 and 6. There are a few places available in the Club so please get in touch ASAP if your child would like to be added to the Club.

### Bikeability

Due to the icy weather, we did not manage to hold our extra Bikeability Day before Christmas - we will try again on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023...

### Milk in School

One or two of the children in school (especially in Year 2) have said that they do not want milk anymore. As this can only be order by parents / carers - please can you makes sure that your child still wants to take up milk in school - otherwise it just goes to waste...Go to <https://www.coolmilk.com/> to change your account.

### Outdoor PE Kits

Reception Class, and Years 3, 4 and 6 will have outdoor PE on the Thursdays of his half term with the West Lancashire Sports Partnership. They will be covering the Outdoor and Adventure part of the PE curriculum.

Please make sure that your child bring suitable outdoor PE Kit on each Thursday (long pants / leggings and a sweatshirt / hoodie) in addition to their usual PE kit. Trainers can also be worn if preferred - but make sure that the children can lace up their trainers - otherwise Velcro ones please!! A change of socks is also a good idea!!

### Library Books

If your child / children has got a school library book at home - please can they be returned to school this week and given to your child's class teacher - thank you!!

### Football Kits

As the school football season is taking a break due to the dark nights, please can all football kits be sent into school ASAP.

## Holiday Dates for the Remainder of the School Year:

### Spring Term 2023

1st Half Term - Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> January to Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> February

*Half-Term Holiday (School Closed) - Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> February to Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> February*

2nd Half Term - Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> February to Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> March

*Easter Holiday (School Closed) - Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April*

### Summer Term 2023

1st Half Term - Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> April to Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> May

**Bank Holiday (School Closed): Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> May**

**Bank Holiday due the Coronation of King Charles III: Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> May**

*Half-Term Holiday (School Closed) - Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> May to Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June*

*INSET Days (School Closed): Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> June to Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> June*

2nd Half Term - Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> June to Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> July

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,



Stephen B. Smith  
Headteacher

### Did you know...

Epiphany is on 6<sup>th</sup> January.

Christians believe that the 12 days of Christmas mark the amount of time it took after the birth of Jesus for the magi, or wise men, to travel to Bethlehem for the Epiphany when they recognized him as the son of God.

The gifts of the gold, frankincense and myrrh that the magi presented to Jesus, is mentioned in the Gospel of Matthew (2:11). According to one website, these valuable items were standard gifts to honour a king or deity in the ancient world: gold as a precious metal, frankincense as perfume or incense, and myrrh as anointing oil. Although Matthew's gospel does not include the names or number of the magi, many believe that the number of the gifts is what led to the tradition of the Three Wise Men.