

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

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I apologise that the Newsletter is a day late but I have been out of school for a couple of days - 'Man Flu'!

<u>Brilliant News</u> - Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Warburton who are expecting their first 'Baby Warburton'. Little Warburton is due to be born at the beginning of the Summer Holidays - good luck and congratulations!! We will let you know about our organisation of the classes for next year as soon as it has been finalised!!

<u>Friends' Easter Egg Raffle</u> - Tickets are now ON SALE for our Friends 'Easter Egg Hamper Raffle'. The class teachers are selling the tickets in class everyday up until (and including) the 6<sup>th</sup> April, priced at 50p a ticket. The draw itself will take place during the Friends Easter Disco on the evening of Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April (details coming soon). There is one hamper of Easter Eggs for each class to win.

## Celebration Worship

Well done to everyone who made it to my bench during last week's Celebration Worship. They were:

Reception	Idris
Year 1	Cayla
Year 2	Charlie
Year 3	Evie and Olivia
Year 4	Chloe
Year 5	Olivia
Year 6	Ella and Jessica

Our Worship Theme for this Week is...

Jesus' teaching of the Parables

## Team Point Winners

Last week's winners - Douglas

#### Lent Services in church

Don't forget that during Lent the children attend church every Wednesday morning. This is instead of our usual Wednesday morning worship in school. All services will start at about 9.10 and will last for no longer than 30 minutes. We hope to see you there!!

#### Reception Class Stay and Play

This Friday (sorry I made a mistake on last week's Newsletter) Mrs Warburton is inviting Parents / Carers of the Reception children to 'stay and play'. We invite you to stay in school once the bell has gone and play / work with your child in the Reception class setting. The session will last until 10.00am. If you can't make it do not worry, but if you can, please let Mrs Warburton know in advance (so we know how many to expect).

#### Attendance Figures

Last week 156 children (that's 91%) managed to achieve 100% attendance for the whole week - they didn't miss one day of school!! The 'best attending classes' for the week were Mrs Warburton's and Mrs Birkby's classes who achieved 100% attendance for the week...well done to our youngest children!! During the same week four children were late for at least one session of school.

#### A Request about Bags

It has been noticed that Year 1 are bringing books to school in a rucksack which do not fit into the class trays and are therefore taking a long time getting books out of their bags in the cloakroom. Please can we request that books are brought to school in book bags and not rucksacks which can be kept in the classroom and PE kits are kept in the usual draw-string bags. Thank you!!















#### The Two week Easter Break

Don't forget that  $\underline{\text{next}}$  Friday we break up for two week Easter Break at  $\underline{\text{3.00pm}}$  (Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April) and return to school on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April (8.55am start with the doors opening at 8.45am).

#### The Last Day of Term

Please note that on Friday  $7^{th}$  April there will be <u>NO</u> After School Club (but there will be Breakfast Club and Easy Drop as usual).

Mr Skinner's Football will also not take place on this day.

#### School Dinners

The week beginning the 3<sup>rd</sup> April is 'Week 2' of the Lancashire Lunch Winter Menu. Changes to week 2's menu: Janet is changing Tuesday's meals to a choice of Chicken Curry or All Day Brunch (vegetarian sausage, hash Brown and Mini Omelette) and she is also changing the Thursday 'non meat' option to a Cheese Panini. And don't forget that Wednesday is the Easter Lunch. As usual, in addition to the advertised meals - the children can choose a jacket potato on the day or there is a choice of 3 sandwiches (ham, cheese or tuna) which can be booked online via ParentPay.

## Parents' Evening

Parents' Evenings are being held in school next week (Tuesday  $4^{th}$  April, 5.30 - 8.00pm and Wednesday  $5^{th}$  April, 3.30 - 6.30pm. The children's work will be in the Classrooms for you to have a look at, and the teachers will meet you to discuss their progress etc. in the school hall.

It would be helpful if parents could try, as much as possible, to keep to their allotted time(s) so that we do not have a 'back log' of parents and carers waiting for teachers. If you feel you need a longer meeting with a member of staff you can always make an appointment for another day.

## End of Term Easter Service in Church - Friday 7th April

We will soon be practising for our end of Spring Term, Easter Service in church which we would like to invite you to. The service begins at 2.00pm, on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April, and will last for about an hour. My bell ringing club and I will remind you about the service by ringing the bells from 1.15pm onwards!! Once the service has finished the children will come back to school. If any parents and carers who have attended the service, would like to pick their children up from school, please come into the school yard after the service and pick up your Reception and Infant children from their classroom doors and the Juniors as usual from the main blue door just inside the school gate. For those parents who can't make it...we will see you at the usual pick up time of 3.25 / 3.30pm.

## Starlight Clothing Bags

Today you will receive a 'Starlight Clothing Bag'. This is a way of raising money for the Starlight Charity which raises money to help terminally ill and seriously ill children. It also raises money for our school funds as well. All we ask is for you to fill the bag with any unwanted clothing, bags and shoes. They will not accept underwear, bed linen and any clothing with logos. Please send the filled bags into school on the morning of Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April by 9am, when they will be collected by the charity. Bags can also be bought in at the end of school on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April but not before as we do not have the storage space in school.

We have given each child one bag to bring home, although there are some extra bags just outside the school office. Thank you in anticipation of your support for this very worthy cause.

#### On Line Safety Training

In collaboration with Holmeswood Methodist Primary we are running an online safety training evening for parents/carers in our school hall. It takes place on Thursday  $30^{th}$  March at 6pm.

With internet and social media sites such as Facebook, Instagram and SnapChat, going online is now thoroughly embedded in children's lives and their Internet use has become increasingly individualised, private and mobile. The message now from SaferInternet.org is not how we stop children using these applications, but how do we equip them with the skills to avoid the dangers and build resilience to cope with online attacks. Statistics show that your child, if they haven't already been, will be adversely affected by something they see or read online. Please attend if you can.

#### Friends Easter Disco

Hopefully you have received a flyer all about next week's Easter Disco. This takes place on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April from 6.30 until 8.00pm in our school hall. Admission is £3 per child (including a free drink) and other refreshments are available to buy on the night. During the Disco the winners of the Easter Egg Raffle will be announced!!

## Are you Going Away Over Easter?

If so please can you take a photo of any places of worship that you come across and email them into school (these can include churches, mosques, temples, synagogues etc.). Thanks!! <a href="mailto:staff@holytrinity-tarleton.lancs.sch.uk">staff@holytrinity-tarleton.lancs.sch.uk</a>

#### Playing Cards

In preparation for the up and coming Scarecrows festival, we are trying to get together as many playing cards as we can to accompany our school display. If you have any old decks (or partial decks) of cards that are no longer needed - please send them into school ASAP...thanks!!

Thanks for reading...yours sincerely,

Stephen B. Smith (Headteacher)

#### Did you know...

The current £1 coin is being replaced for the first time in over 30 years because of its vulnerability to sophisticated counterfeiters. The new coin is released today, and both the old £1 coin and the new one will in circulation at the same time for a period of 6 months. On the  $15^{th}$  October 2017 - the old coin will no longer be legal tender. See the attached flyer for more details!