

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

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#### Year 5 and 6 PE

Last week the teachers had a big discussion as to whether children should come to school in their PE Kits on PE days. Getting changed for PE does impact in curriculum time - but it is a life skill that we think the children need to practice - not only getting changed independently - but also managing their clothes once they have taken them off.

After much deliberation, we decided that Years 5 and 6 can come to school in their PE kits on PE Days - and the younger classes are to come in school uniform and get changed in school.

Year 5's PE day is a Monday (with swimming on Fridays) and Year 6's PE days are Thursday and Fridays. Mrs Lancaster and Mr Skinner will be in touch (through Dojo) with more details.

#### Money Donations on ParentPay

Did you know that there is a special 'function' on ParentPay where you can help another family out financially (and anonymously)?

ParentPay says: 'If you would like to give a little bit extra towards a school trip or pay for another child whose parents cannot afford to contribute, please feel free to do so - any amount would be very much appreciated. Thank you so much for your contribution.' Look under the 'Sponsor a child for a trip'.

Last Summer, monies raised through this 'function' helped one of our Year 6 children attend the Min Y Don trip - so thank you to those who do donate!! Your generosity is very much appreciated.

#### Celebration Worship

Well done to the children who made it to 'The Bench' last week in Celebration Worship. They were:

Year 1	Marley
Year 2	Hallie and Orla
Year 3	Nancy and Leo
Year 4	Isla
Year 5	Lucie
Year 6	Amelia
Headteacher Award	Noah in Year 1

#### No Celebration worship for 2 weeks...

There will be no Celebration for the next two week...

This Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October, we will be presenting badges to all those who have been successful in gaining an important role in our school. The badge presentation will be to Year 6 Prefects, Faith Advocates, Sports Council, House Captains and School Council.

Parents of Year 6 children are invited to come and watch the worship as all the Year 6 children are being chosen as Prefects.

Next Friday,  $10^{th}$  October, it is our Harvest service in church. The service starts at 2.30pm and finishes at 'home time'. Please join us in church if you are free.

#### Last week's Attendance (the week before Half Term)

Last week - 176 pupils (85% of the school) attended school for 100% of the time - they didn't miss one session of school.

11 children (from 9 different families) were late for school at least once (after 9.00am).















The best attending class for last week are the same results as last week: Reception Class win again, closely followed by Year 5. Well done Miss Porter's and Mrs Lancaster's classes.

#### Keyboard Taster Session

Mr Bird, who teaches our Keyboard classes after school on a Wednesday is offering 3 free spaces as a taster session for anyone in Years 3 and older. The taster session is tomorrow night after school, from 3.30pm until 4.00pm and is for anyone who is thinking about having Keyboard lessons but has not made a 'final decision'. Spaces will be filled on a 'first come - first served' basis, please contact Mrs Lee.

#### Are You Applying for School/Academy Places for September 2026?

Do you have a child who has a  $4^{th}$  birthday between  $1^{st}$  September 2025 and  $31^{st}$  August 2026, or is his/her last year of Primary School from  $1^{st}$  September 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 means of application is via Lancashire's on-line system at: - www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools (or simply click here).

This already went live on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025. 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 applications for September 2026 are at 11-59 pm on:-

Secondary school applications - 31st October 2025

Primary school applications - 15th January 2026

For prospective parents, or indeed anyone who is interested in life at THT, our <u>Open Day</u> for this year is on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October, with both afternoon and evening sessions. We hope to see you there!

#### Next week's School Dinners

The week beginning 6th October - week 3 of the LCC Summer Menu

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		•		Harvest Festival	
				Lunch	
Traditional	Red	Red	Red	Red	Red
Main Course	Booths Pork or	Golden Crumb Salmon	Roast Chicken or	Savoury Beef Mince	Golden Crumb Fish or
	Vegetarian Sausage	or Vegetable Fingers	Roast Quorn Fillet	& Yorkshire Pudding	Vegetable Fingers
	Hot Dog & Tomato	with Paprika Potatoes	with Roast Potatoes,	with Creamy Mashed	with Oven Baked
	Ketchup with Potato	Mixed Vegetable	Seasonal Vegetables	Potato & Seasonal	Chips Garden Peas or
	Wedges Garden Peas	Medley or Baked	& Gravy	Vegetables	Baked Beans
	& Sweetcorn	Beans			
Pizza &	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Pasta	Pasta Twists &	Loaded Pizza Panini	Tomato & Mascarpone	Winter Warming	Homemade Pizza
	Tomato Sauce with	with Tortilla Chips	Pasta with Homemade	Pasta Bake with	Margherita with
	Homemade Dough	Vegetable Sticks &	Herby Bread & Salad	Garlic Dough Balls	Oven Baked Chips
	Balls & Salad	Dips (v)	Selection (v)		Garden Peas or Baked
	Selection (v)				Beans (v)
Jacket	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
potato	Cooks Choice of filled	Cooks Choice of filled	Choice of filled	Cooks Choice of filled	Choice of filled
	Oven Baked Jacket	Oven Baked Jacket	Sandwiches with	Oven Baked Jacket	Sandwiches with
	Potato with Freshly	Potato with Freshly	Tortilla Chips	Potato with Freshly	Oven Baked Chips
	Prepared Salad	Prepared Salad	Vegetable Sticks &	Prepared Salad	Vegetable Sticks &
	Selection	Selection	Dips	Selection	Dips
Sandwiches	White	White	White	White	White
	Tuna/cheese/ham	Tuna/cheese/ham	Tuna/cheese/ham	Tuna/cheese/ham	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 £2.95 per meal.

#### Last Chance to enter Mrs Flowers' Conker Competition

Every year, to raise a bit of money for school, Mrs Flowers runs a Conker Competition. You need to find the heaviest conker you can and get it sent into Mrs Flowers! - see her poster below for more details!

Thank you for reading.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen B. Smith

Headteacher

Did you know...

During WWI and WWII, children were asked to collect conkers, which were used in the manufacture of explosives.

# Tarleton Holy Trinity's Annual Conker Competition 2025

It's that time of year again!



Get searching for those ENORMOUS conkers!

## £1 entry (covers maximum of 3 conkers per entry)

Please put your conkers in a bag with your name, year group and entry money and hand to Mrs Flowers by Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Prizes for Infant and Junior winners

**REMEMBER** – it's the **HEAVIEST** conker **not** the biggest that wins!