



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

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### Toast and Breakfast Buns

The payment items for Toast and Breakfast Buns are now available on ParentPay for November and December 2021, please log in and pay for these items before the deadline which is strictly Thursday 21st October at 12 noon. Sorry but we cannot add late comers!!

### Individual School Photos

Adam Crowther from MyFoto came in to school yesterday to take this year's individual and family photos. It's the first time we've done family photos since COVID came around!! Hopefully, the children brought home a QR code last night and you can use this - or the code given on the sheet of paper to now see the proofs online. A paper proof will come to you later and these will include any family photos that were taken on the day. Don't forget your orders in quickly as the postage is free. Any late orders may include an extra charge for postage.

### Harvest Festival in School

Just a final reminder that on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October the children are celebrating Harvest in school with Fr Tom. Due to the electrical works taking place in church at the moment we cannot hold it in there, which means unfortunately, we cannot invite parents/carers to attend the service in school. This is a shame as we were hoping to 'get together' for the first time, we were supposed to be attending church to join in with this year's Harvest Festival Celebrations.

The children will be involved in singing hymns, or reciting readings, poems and prayers.

As in the past years, we are asking for donations of foods which we will donate to one of our local Food Banks. The Food Bank website requests donations of the following foods (if you can manage it):

- \* tinned vegetables,
- \* fruit juice or squash,
- \* custard,
- \* jam
- \* and biscuits,
- \* food, (long dated), would be much appreciated!

### Open Day

...and another reminder that we have made the decision to postpone Open Day for the time being and hope to hold it at a later date. I apologise that it will therefore not go ahead on 13<sup>th</sup> October.

### Celebration Worship

Last Friday Mrs Birkby and Mr Skinner led Celebration Worship as I was out of school on a Head teacher Conference. Well done to all those who made it to the bench!! They were...

Year 1	Penelope and Isla
Year 2	Afonso, Mason and Lily-May
Year 3	Lexie
Year 4	Oliver
Year 5	Ava C
Year 6	Joshua
Head teacher Award	Lucy M in Year 5

### A message from Friends:

#### **Veg Boxes**

These can now be ordered for this month via the new Friends Website

[www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsoftarletonholytrinity](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsoftarletonholytrinity)

...following successful registration. Boxes will be available to order until midday Tuesday 12th October.

#### **Bog Eyed Jog (BEJ)**

In order to claim gift aid could all BEJ sponsor forms be returned to school properly completed with all relevant details together with any outstanding sponsor money.

### A Change to the School's Lunch Menu

A reminder that Janet will be doing a special menu on Thursday 7th October (hopefully if our suppliers can get the food to us):

British Beef or Veggie Burger in a Soft Bun or Cheese & Ham or Cheese & Tomato Calzone served with Crispy Fries & Crunchy Salad Sticks ~ Sticky Toffee Apple Cake

For the Junior Children (Years 3 to 6), make you usual booking(s) using ParentPay!!

Please can I request that all of our Infants (Reception, Years 1 and 2) have a school meal on this day (don't forget they are free to infants) rather than a packed lunch. If they do, the school will receive more funding in its budget for the next year.

### Sports Councillors

Congratulations to Lucy and Idris in Year 5 who have been named at THT's Sports Councillors for the year. They will attend meetings and represent the school with regard to many of the sporting activities we are hoping to 'get going' again this year.

### Are your pre-school children playing with our outdoor equipment??

Just to correct last week's typo...Sorry to be a 'Humbug' but please can you not allow your pre-school children to play in our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 outdoor areas - this includes Mrs Seeley's 'Wendy House' and Mrs Dimmock's tricycles. If an accident occurs I'm afraid we wouldn't be covered.

### Our Worship Themes for this Week are...

'The story of Joseph' and 'Harvest'.

### A Message from Fr Mark

#### *Harvest in Church - October 10th*

As we gather to give thanks for the Harvest we will be joined by the former Bishop of St Helena Rt Revd Dr Richard Fenwick.

Dr Fenwick, who knows all about the need to transport goods by land, sea and air will be our Preacher at the 8am at 10.45am services on Sunday morning.

### A note about our School App - a message from our App providers:

On Wednesday the new app will launch and your parents will be logged out of the app. They do not need to delete/re-download the app.

The message we send out will have instructions on how they can log back in and will link through to this [page with more detailed instructions](#).

#### **Key points to note:**

- The new app will launch on Wednesday 6th October.
- Users will be logged out. They do not need to download the new version.
- All parents need to do is login on the 6th using their email and the password they had previously set.

- We're asking parents to contact us if they need help so you should not experience any disruption.
- If you do have parents contact you please either send them the page linked above or ask them to contact us directly on 0151 808 0093, email support@parentapps.co.uk or via live chat on our website.

### Are You Applying for School/Academy Places for September 2022??

Do you have a child who has a 4<sup>th</sup> birthday between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022, or is his/her last year of Primary School from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021?? - 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](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools) (then click on School Admissions and "Apply for a school place")

This went live on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021. 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 2022 are at 11-59 pm on:-

Secondary school applications - 31st October 2021

Primary school applications - 15th January 2022

### Sickness and diarrhoea

Please can I politely request that children who have been sick or who have an upset stomach (and/or diarrhoea) are not sent into school for at least 48 hours after the last time they were sick etc.

As always...thanks for reading...stay safe...yours sincerely,



Stephen B. Smith

Head teacher

### Did you know...

#### 10 facts about Harvest:

1. The word harvest comes from the Old English haerfest, meaning Autumn.
2. Depending on conditions, harvest time can take place as early as July, all the way through to September (and occasionally October).
3. The combine harvester was invented in the US by Hiram Moore in 1834. Earlier versions were pulled by teams of horses, donkeys or mules. Moore invented a full-scale version by 1839.
4. The name of the combine harvester was derived from it combining three separate operations involved in harvesting - reaping, threshing and winnowing, into a single process.
5. Corn dollies are one of the customs of early harvest time. In pagan times, people believed that the spirit of the corn lived in the crop so when the crop was harvested, the spirit was left homeless. So, the last sheaf of the harvest was made into a "corn dolly", which spent the winter in the farmer's home and was believed to bring luck for the next harvest.
6. Demeter is the Greek goddess of harvest and agriculture. Her Roman equivalent is Ceres (perhaps where the word "cereal" comes from).
7. In 2015, 16.4 million tonnes of wheat was produced in the UK and 6.7 million tonnes of barley.
8. In the UK, Harvest Festival is traditionally held on the Sunday nearest the harvest moon, the full moon that occurs closest to the autumn equinox (on the 22<sup>nd</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> September).
9. We may think of harvest time as being all about bringing in the grain crop but there are many different harvest celebrations around the world, giving thanks for foods ranging from rice, fish, fruit and olives.

10. 'Lowance time' (probably derived from the word "allowance") occurred mid-morning and mid-afternoon when the foreman's wife would bring refreshments for the farm workers during harvest time. It's not sure whether this is just a Yorkshire term or not...