



Trinity News - Summer – 26th May 2017

Message from the Headteacher.

It is the end of the half-term already and I hope that the weather holds for the bank holiday! Hopefully you will have now received your invitation to the 65th Birthday Party on 14th July after Sports Day. Congratulations to Chloe in Year 5 for designing the invitation. Congratulations also to Harvey in Year 4 for designing the winning entry in the PTA Fete poster competition.

At this time of year we are planning for the staffing for next academic year. I am delighted to tell you that our staffing is stable, the list of teachers and their classes is below so that you can see who will be teaching your child's class next year.

I have also added the summary from the Parent/carer Questionnaire. Thank you for all your input. It is excellent that so many parents are pleased with how their child is learning and are happy with the school. We also wanted your feedback and you can see what we are doing to address the things you have raised.

As always, if you have any queries or concerns, please let me know. We take all concerns seriously.

Sarah Chaloner

School Organisation 2017 - 2018

Year 6	Ms. S. Phillips/Mrs D. Murdoch
Year 5	Mrs D. Eddington
Year 4	Miss A. Rowden
Year 3	Mrs J. Tyrell
Year 2	Mrs H. Cook
Year 1	Mrs J. Williams
Reception	Mrs M. Anand
SENCo	Miss A. Plant

Transition Day is Thursday 13th July – children will meet their new teachers and spend time in their new classroom.

Uniform

Please check carefully your child's uniform and check it is correct with our uniform list (see attached). We have noticed a number of pairs of trainers in bright colours, they should be school colours or black. Children can now wear Summer uniform (unless it gets too cold!) but if children choose to wear shirts, rather than polo shirts, they still need ties.

FUNKY FEET FRIDAY – following on from the Walk to School activities we have decided to allow children to wear brightly coloured or non-school socks each Friday. This is on the understanding they wear school socks and tights during the rest of the week. Thank you to the Travel Ambassadors.

School Uniform.

THIS MUST BE CORRECT AFTER HALF TERM

All items of clothing including shoes must be labelled with the child's name. Children must not wear jewellery. No make-up including nail varnish. Children with pierced ears may wear the smallest studs. Hair bands should be in school colours and not be too big or bulky. If your child has pierced ears, she/he must be able to remove and replace the studs herself/himself for PE. Their PE kit can be kept in a bag on their peg and should be in school every day.

Girls/Boys

Winter

Grey tunic/dress/skirt

Grey long or short trousers

Black joggers for Rec

Blue shirt with school tie (juniors)

Pale blue polo shirt with the school logo (infants)

Royal blue pullover/sweatshirt or cardigan with the school logo

Blue, grey or black socks/tights

Traditional black sensible shoes (not boots)

Black indoor shoes (plimsolls)

Games kit

Yellow polo shirt with school logo

Royal Blue shorts (not cycling shorts)

Navy or black jogging bottoms (a jogging suit may be sent in for colder weather, school colours only)

Summer uniform may be worn from Easter until the autumn half-term – dependent upon the weather.

An additional pair of trainers can be brought into school for outdoor PE sessions if parents and carers wish for their children to wear them.



Parent Questionnaire 2016/2017.

Thank you to those over 50 of our parents and carers who provided feedback through the questionnaire. It was overwhelmingly positive. As we work hard to move from good with outstanding features to fully outstanding, it is important to hear about the things we need to develop as well as the things we are getting right. In any school there are things we do really well and things that aren't as effective. The school strives to work in the best interests of the children and their families at all times. However, sometimes we get it wrong and we are always open to your comments about how we can make things better. For information 2% is equivalent to 1 person in most answers. We have a new comments box in the front entrance which we would like you put your ideas in.

Question	Strongly Agree or Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know (this response seems to have been used where people don't have any experience or feel confident to answer)
1. My child is happy at this school	100%			
2. My child feels safe at this school.	100%			
3. My child makes good progress at this school	100%			
4. My child is well looked after at this school	100%			
5. My child is taught well at this school	96%			4%
	We are lucky to have a really good quality of teaching and staff who are hardworking and committed to the school and pupils' learning.			
6. My child receives appropriate homework for their age	82%	10%	2%	6%
	We are aware there is a small percentage of parents and carers who feel that homework set is not appropriate. We will be reviewing the reasons for this and have started looking at the whole school policy for homework and will be letting you know what we have planned at the end of June.			
7. This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	96%	4%		
	Generally children are well-behaved. However we also have to remember our pupils are quite young and still learning how to interact with each other and deal with problems, so sometimes children don't behave well. We hope we deal with issues effectively when they arise. If not please let us know.			
8. This school deals effectively with bullying	80%	2%		18%
	We get very few cases of actual bullying and in the majority of those cases we hope we deal with them effectively and fairly. The parents and carers who 'don't know' are noted as those who are unaware of any issues.			
9. This school is well led and managed	98%	2%		
10. This school responds well to any concerns I raise	96%	2%		2%
11. I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	94%	4%		2%
12. Would you recommend this school to another parent?	Yes 98%	No 2%		

Would you be interested in having a longer after school club based at Holy Trinity?
The majority of responses wanted us to extend the after-school provision to 5.30/6pm so we are looking to set up a new after-school club (hopefully in the Autumn term) to address this need.
Are there any other clubs you think we should offer?
Dancing; singing; netball; Extra maths and English; drama; cookery; languages; careers; different musical instrument tuition; careers; multi-sports for year 5/6.
We will be conducting a full review of clubs at the end of June.

What other improvements would you like to see at Holy Trinity?	Outcomes from the school in response
Be stricter with uniform	We do try and there is a reminder again with the newsletter.
Regular football training and matches for KS2	We are struggling when the field is wet so there is a consultation to see whether parents would prefer to pay a small amount to use the all-weather pitch at Cheshunt Football Club.
Car parking for parents	Unfortunately the site does not allow any space for this. We have gained funding to get electric gates and additional fencing installed which will mean that the access to the site is more limited to ensure the safety of pedestrians.
More male teachers	We are really lucky to have a stable staff, should opportunities arise in the future we would welcome any male applicants.
Less issues with driving/ cars outside school	We would all welcome this. Our Travel Ambassadors are working hard to ensure that any issues are highlighted and we remain a focus school for the police and traffic patrols.
More 1:1 support	We do have quite a significant level of support but would always try to put additional support in where it is needed.
Improved playground resources	We are working with the PTA to add to the resources and have now KS1 in school and KS2 resources ordered. We are trying to find a greater variety of activities for pupils across lunchtime.
Joint clubs for parents and children	We have got parents involved a little in the Movers and Munchers but any further ideas would be welcomed.
Lost property to be returned to children where name is on	We do try to make sure when children's items are named they are returned, but with the number of children we have in school, sometimes this doesn't happen.
Class assemblies in the morning	We are going to have one term of class assemblies in the morning next academic year. The reason they are in the afternoon is that it is the normal time for collective worship.
More sports	We continue to look for different opportunities.
School to introduce programmes to highlight careers	We are planning an Aspirations Conference to highlight the opportunities for children as they get older. We will be asking parents and carers to support this.
Children to take books home for parents/carers to see ½ termly	We are looking to provide opportunities for parents and carers to see the books but they do need to be kept in school to ensure they are available for learning time.

Any other general suggestions?

More shows	We would welcome more feedback as to what this would be.
More support from parents	We would always like to have as much support from parents and carers as we can and are very pleased with the parents and carers who provide a high level of support to the school and their children. We work best when we are all in partnership. The newly established Friends of Holy Trinity are very supportive and doing a great job to support the school.
Improved communication for football	This has been taken on board.

Children to wear trainers/plimsolls in the hall	We are looking at the health and safety guidance for this.
More fun activities for each class	We would like more feedback on what this would be!
Trips to farms for the children to take part in themed activities linked to lambing, chicks etc.	Year 1 and Reception are going to Willow's Farm this year.
Mrs Saggs is lovely	Yes she is!

Other comments made:

- Really happy with this school and the teachers
- More encouragement from school for pupils to take part in sport
- You do a fantastic job here and I do appreciate it
- Well done and thank you for what you do
- Really like the school

Thank you, your support is much appreciated and valued.