


Trinity School Newsletter 3 of the Spring Term – Friday 20th January 2023
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DATES 

Term Dates 2022/2023

February	
Friday 10 th	End of Term 3
Monday 20 th	Start of Term 4
March	
Friday 31 st	End of Term 4
April	
Monday 17 th	Start of Term 5

School Lunch Menus for January
Don't forget to order meals for w/c 30th January by midnight on Monday 23rd January.

Swimming Gala 

Congratulations to **Grace, Elena, Archie & Ruby** from **Bramble** and **Eliza, Maddox, Ned & Lexi** from **Holly** who attended and represented our school brilliantly at the Swimming Gala on Wednesday morning. The Gala involved children from 11 schools across the Frome Learning Partnership. Each team competed in front crawl, breaststroke and backstroke races; as well as 2 team relays. Team Trinity finished in 4th place overall and were a credit to our school. Well done all!

The Bible Story this term is **The Good Shepherd**
This retelling is from 'The Lion Storyteller Bible'

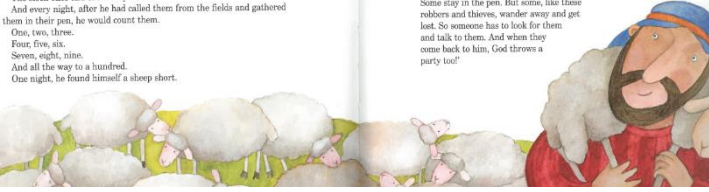
The Good Shepherd


When Jesus talked, everybody came to listen. People who thought they were good. And people who weren't so good, too - cheats and liars, robbers and thieves. The people who thought they were good didn't like this one bit. "Hey, Jesus!" they shouted. "You say you come from God. You call him your Father. So why are you spending your time with these bad people?" Jesus thought for a minute. "Let me tell you a story," he said.

Once upon a time, there was a shepherd. A shepherd who had a hundred sheep. He knew each of them by sight. The white ones and the black ones. The spotted ones and the striped ones. The thin ones and the fat ones. The sleek ones and the woolly ones. And every night, after he had called them from the fields and gathered them in their pen, he would count them. One, two, three. Four, five, six. Seven, eight, nine. And all the way to a hundred. One night, he found himself a sheep short.

Ninety-seven, ninety-eight, ninety-nine, he counted. But he never got to a hundred, because the last sheep was missing! The shepherd looked round the pen. "It's Bramble!" he said. "It's Bramble that's gone." And what do you think he did? Did he say to himself, "I have ninety-nine sheep left, who cares if one is lost?" Of course not. He cared for the missing sheep as much as for the rest. So he picked up his walking stick and off he went, across the hills and fields, looking for that lost sheep. He looked under bushes. He looked behind rocks. He looked down in deep ravines. And finally, when he had almost given up hope, he found the lost sheep, trapped in a tangle of thorns. The shepherd shouted "Hooray!" Then he slung the sheep round his shoulders, and carried it safely home. "Come to my house!" he called to his neighbours. "Come to my house!" he called to his friends. "My sheep was lost, and now it's found. We're going to have a party!"

"Why do I talk to people who have done bad things?" said Jesus to the crowd. "Because God is like that shepherd. And we are all his sheep. Some stay in the pen. But some, like these robbers and thieves, wander away and get lost. So someone has to look for them and talk to them. And when they come back to him, God throws a party too!"



Parents Evenings 

Appointments for **Bramble only** are now **available to book** via the school cloud. We will advise all other parents when the rest of the appointments are open.


Appointments will take place during **w/c 27th February** for **all classes** apart from **Bramble** whose will take place on **Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th February**.

Potential Strike Action

As parents will be aware, one of the main teaching unions, the NEU, has received support from their membership to call for strike action during February and March. The advertised dates for this area are February 1st, March 2nd, March 15th and March 16th. We are currently seeking clarity from staff and will endeavor to let parents know as far in advance as possible which classes, if any, are affected. Any member of staff taking strike action is not obliged to let their employer know in advance but we very much hope to be able to give parents advance notice of any disruption to normal routines. Thank you for your patience at this time.

Friends of Trinity First School Pre-Loved Uniform Sale 

FOTFS will aim to do a Pre-Loved Uniform Sale each half term. In the meantime, if you have any uniform needs, please email tsafrome@yahoo.com or, if you'd prefer, speak to your class teacher who can speak to us on your behalf.

Swimming - Year 3 

Just a reminder for Year 3 (Pine and Gorse) parents that payment for Term 3 (January-February) is now due and available to pay for through **ParentPay**. Also, anyone that is still yet to pay for Term 2 (November-December) and able to contribute, this is still open on **ParentPay**. Any problems or questions, please contact the office. Thank you.

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SAFER SCHOOL STREETS FOR FROME

You are invited to view and discuss the approved Safer School Streets scheme

Come along to hear more about why the initiative is needed, what the design will look like and to discuss, as a community, how we can work together to make the trial a success.

Avanti Park School

Wednesday 25 January | 5:00-6:30pm

Oakfield Academy

Thursday 26th January | 6:30-8:00pm

Trinity First School

Wednesday 1st February | 2:00-3:00pm

View the plans: bit.ly/saferschoolstreets



The Frome Safer School Streets scheme has been designed to make conditions safer for walking and cycling near Trinity First School, Oakfield Academy, Avanti Park School, Critchill School and Bright Stars Nursery.

The scheme has been designed by Sustrans in partnership with the schools, Frome Town Council and Somerset County Council, using a co-design process with the community.



Sustrans have also secured funding to deliver a "Quiet Way" along Oakfield and Somerset Roads, to complement the scheme. A Quiet Way limits traffic speeds and makes the route safer for cycling, and allows for more permanent measures such as improved crossings to be delivered.

The Safer School Streets scheme will be installed in Spring/Summer 2023 for a trial period of 18 months in order to monitor its effectiveness in reducing traffic, improving safety and increasing levels of active travel on the school run.

Residents and families are invited to view the plans and discuss the scheme with the schools, Frome Town Council and Somerset County Council. This will be an opportunity to hear more about the rationale behind the scheme, what the design will look like and to discuss as a community how we can work together to make the trial a success.

Pupil Premium Funding and Free School Meals

Is your child eligible?

If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' (FSMs) and you have registered them, your child will also receive a 'Pupil Trust Fund', which is £100 per year per child. You can use this to purchase school uniform or to pay for school clubs or activities. In addition to this, Trinity First School will also receive extra funding called 'Pupil Premium', which we can use to improve the educational provision and resources at the school.

Please note that if your child is in **Reception, Year 1 or Year 2** they are already entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals thanks to a different government funding scheme but this is not the same as FSMs so if your child is in KS1 and they are eligible please register them to receive the funding. Also, children who want a **packed lunch** from home but are still eligible should register to receive the funding.

Children whose parents and carers receive any of the following are entitled to free school meals:

- Income Support (IS).
- Income-based Job Seekers Allowance (IBJSA).
- Employment and Support Allowance (Income Related).
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit.
- Child Tax Credit provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit, with an annual taxable income (as assessed by HMRC) of less than £16,190.
- Universal Credit with an annual household income of less than £7400 after tax.

You may also be eligible if you are a household with no recourse to public funds. This is for children of:

- Zambrano or Chen carers.
- British National (Overseas) passport holder.
- Spousal visa, work visa or student visa holder.
- Those with no immigration status.
- Families who have no recourse to public funds with a right to remain in the UK on grounds of private and family life under Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights.
- Families receiving support under Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 who are also subject to a no recourse to public funds restriction.
- Certain failed asylum seekers supported under Section 4 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

If your child is eligible, please click [here](#) and click **Apply Now**. If you have any questions, please contact the School Office.