



Trinity School Newsletter 9 of the Autumn Term – Friday 10 November 2023

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#### **HEADS UPDATE from Amanda Seager**

At Trinity we love giving the children as much opportunity as possible to show leadership and to take responsibility for different aspects of school life. We have a very successful School Council and Energy Sparks team, both of which are made up of representatives from most year groups. In addition to this we have chances for the Year 4 children to take on specific roles that support the running of the school, most notably Play Leaders and Librarians, as well as more ad-hoc roles such as the selling of the Poppy Appeal items which Year 4 have taken responsibility for over the last week....and done extremely well indeed!

The children love having the chance to fulfil specific roles and this has been especially evident with our librarians this week. Together with Mrs Fox, one of our lovely teaching assistants who oversees the somewhat herculean task of trying to keep the library in some sort of order, I met with this year's team of librarians on Monday afternoon. I don't think I have ever encountered a more enthusiastic group! The children were so keen to get going, and in the end we spent an hour working in the library, rather than the 15 minute chat I was anticipating. The remit for the librarians is to do as much tidying of the shelves as they can, and to put the books that have been returned to the library back on the right shelf. However, on Monday afternoon, there was so much enthusiasm that we were able to do so much more. Not only did we get through an enormous pile of returned books, but we also managed to do some significant reorganising, moving some of the books around to make sure they are now in a much more sensible place.

In total, we have 10 librarians, which means that we ask two of them each day to spend their morning playtime in the library rather than outside with their friends. The children all knew this when they volunteered to take on the role, but during our meeting on Monday afternoon, they asked if they could use some of their other free time in the library as well. Some of the children attend breakfast or after school club, and several times this week, they have been in the library making sure everything is in order. Not only that, but Wednesday's librarians happened to have a shorter playtime and asked if they could use their lunchtime play to continue with their work in the library. At Trinity, we love our library, and it is important to us that the children get the chance to visit the library every week to borrow a book, but maintaining tidy and organised shelves takes a lot of effort – thank goodness we have such willing helpers!

### DIARY DATES

#### Term Dates 2023/2024



Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Odd Socks Day Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Children in Need

9am Coffee Morning

7.30pm FOTFS Quiz Night (School Hall)

Fri 24<sup>th</sup> EYFS Hot Chocolate Sale
Tue 28<sup>th</sup> Bag2School Collection

December

Sun 10<sup>th</sup> FOTFS Christmas Fair

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> 9.30: Y2 Christmas Performance Tue 12<sup>th</sup> 9.30: Y1 Christmas Performance

2.30: R Christmas Performance 6.30: Y3 Christmas Performance

Wed 13<sup>th</sup> 6.30: Y4 Christmas at Trinity Church

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> End of Term 2

### January 2024

Wed 17th Maple Share my Work Wed 24th Oak Share my Work Tue 16<sup>th</sup> Jasmine Share my Work Tue 23<sup>rd</sup> Poppy Share my Work Mon 15th Holly Share my Work Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Bramble Share my Work Pine Share my Work Thur 18th Thur 25<sup>th</sup> Gorse Share my Work Fri 26<sup>th</sup> FOTFS School Discos

### School News

## Thank you James

Over the last few years, James Markham has been a regular presence at Trinity. He is one of our governors,

but has also helped the school in a number of other ways, making him a valued friend and strong advocate of our school. He was instrumental in transforming our pond area, together with a group of volunteers he gathered together, and he has led regular assemblies in school and at Trinity church. James is always a friendly and positive person and we have loved him being part of our community. Later this month, James will be moving on from his role at Trinity church and so his association with our school will be different in the future. On behalf of all the children and staff, we offer James our grateful thanks for everything he has done for Trinity through his role at Trinity church and wish him well with his new adventures.



However, the good news is that James will continue to be a governor so we will still have the benefit of his knowledge and enthusiasm for Trinity school, which we are really grateful for.





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### Odd Socks Day

We will be celebrating Odd Socks Day again on Monday 13th November as part of Anti-Bullying



Week. The children can come to school wearing odd socks. They do not need to pay any money as Children in Need is on the Friday.

Click here to listen to Andy and the Odd Sock's' song from last year.

# Children in Need Friday 17th November 2023

Trinity School will be supporting Children in Need on Friday 17th November. Following a decision made by the school council, children will be invited to wear something yellow and wear an eye patch! This will be in exchange for a suggested donation of £1. Please click below to access the ParentPay donation link. Thank you!

Donation Link → CLICK HERE

# Coffee Morning

We are also delighted to be able to invite parents to join us for a coffee morning in the school hall on November 17th, being organised by the Friends of Trinity First School. Come along for coffee, cake and a chat between 9am-11am. Funds raised will be split between FOTFS and Children in Need. Cake donations would be gratefully received and can be taken to school the day before. Thank you.

### Hot Chocolate Sale

Sunshine and Rainbow will be selling hot chocolate on Friday 24th November after school in the playground.



£1 per cup!

## Old Newspapers

If you have any old newspapers at home, please can you bring them into school to be used as recyclable



liners for our lunchtime food waste bin! Thank you.

### Winter Break Holiday Camp

Bath Rugby Foundation are proud to be delivering Winter Break Out at Trinity First School from Tuesday 19th December - Friday 22nd December.

Winter Break Out is a festive holiday camp which includes a range of multiple sports, festive arts and craft activities and interactive games and activities for your children to enjoy. Please note that this isn't a rugby skills camp! This takes place 10am-2pm across the 4 days and spaces can be booked via the Bath Rugby Foundation website: Winter Holiday Camp | Bath Rugby Community Foundation (bathrugbyfoundation.com). Rugby Foundation look forward to celebrating the festive season with you!

There will also be some funded spaces available for families on limited incomes but we don't yet have the details. Any family wishing to take up one of those should get in touch with the school office to register their interest.



# Regular Notices and Reminders







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# Swimming - Year 3

Just a reminder for Year 3 (Holly and Bramble) parents that payment for Term 2 (Nov-Dec) is now due and available to pay for through <u>ParentPay</u>. Any problems or questions, please contact the office. Thank you.

# School Lunch Menus Don't forget to order

Don't forget to order meals for w/c 20<sup>th</sup> Nov by midnight on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Nov. You can find the menus <u>here</u>. If you miss the deadline, you will need to provide a packed lunch for your child.

### Lunchboxes

Just a reminder that we are a no nut school due to some children with severe allergies. This includes no peanut butter, Nutella or any other chocolate spreads that may also contain nuts.



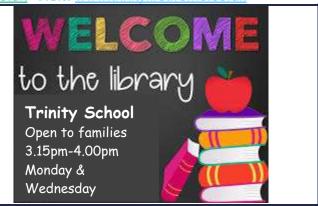
To help parents provide a healthy and balanced lunchbox, please click <u>here</u> to see the guides on our website, which you may find useful. Thank you.

### Share my Work

Please find below the January dates for Share My Work. This will be a 20-minute session for you to come into school at 8:45 on the allotted day for your child's class to look at their work with them.



- Maple: Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January
- Oak: Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January
- Jasmine: Tuesday 16th January
- Poppy: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January
- Holly: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January
- Bramble: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January
- Pine: Thursday 18th January
- Gorse: Thursday 25th January



## September 2024 Admissions

If you have any friends or family with a child who is due to start school in September 2024 and they are interested in having a tour of the school please ask them to get in touch with the school office.







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# Friday 17th November

Doors open at 7 for quiz to start at 7:30

£30 per table, team maximum 6 people.

Tickets include entrance to quiz and a

cheese board



To book scan the QR code or email tsafrome@yahoo.com



We have some fabulous raffle prizes from local businesses already for our raffle to be drawn after our Christmas Fair. **But** your help would be appreciated! If you or your family are employed by a business, please could you ask them for a prize? Or if you have your own business or are self employed, please could you donate a prize, hamper or youcher?

If you're able to help, please send an email to <a href="mailto:tsafrome@yahoo.com">tsafrome@yahoo.com</a> to confirm. Prizes can be dropped at the school office or we can collect, whichever is easiest! Thank you for your help!

(Raffle tickets will be coming home soon!)



# Christmas Shop

If you have missed the initial deadline for ordering Christmas items the shop will

be reopening in mid November. We will keep you updated with dates when we have them.



# Bag2School

If you've been having a clear out over half term our next bag2school drop is on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November. Bags will have to be delivered to school (near to the large bins adjacent to the hall). The school car park must NOT be used for drop offs.

Happy Sorting!





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# Local Events









