



Trinity School Newsletter 11 of the Spring Term – Friday 22 March 2024 Tel: 01373 461949 Email: office@trinityfirstfrome.co.uk Visit: www.trinityfirstfrome.co.uk

HEADS UPDATE from Amanda Seager; This week the Frome Kindness Festival is taking place and we were lucky enough to begin our week with a visit from two volunteers from the festival who led assemblies for us. The assemblies explored the theme "kindness bridges the differences between us". They included a Buddhist story about a monkey king who makes himself into a bridge to save his tribe and teaches humans a lesson about kindness. The human king, who had wanted to take control of a mango tree and rid it of the monkeys so that he and his people could enjoy the delicious fruit themselves, was shown an example of a leader leading with kindness. For me, kindness in leadership is so important, but the importance of it can often be overlooked or misunderstood. Sometimes, this happens because kindness can be mistaken as weakness, and sometimes it can be hard to act in a way that is perceived as kindness by all parties; sometimes things are just too hectic to enable kindness to be given or received. I think kindness is often something we can think of as old-fashioned or appropriate only for young children, but this is underestimating the power of being kind. When we were reviewing our core values, we spent a lot of time considering kindness, debating whether there was something better or more up-to-date that we should aim for instead. We concluded there wasn't.

As part of the festival, I also attended a workshop on 'Kindness in the Classroom'. This was specifically aimed at the Early Years and some parents may have been able to attend the workshop led by the same speaker on toddler tantrums, where I believe some of the same research and conclusions were being shared. I hope you did, and if so, I hope you found it as interesting as I found the classroom workshop! For me, coming after the assembly, it enabled me to think about what it means to lead children with kindness, as parents at home and as teachers in school. Mikkel, the Danish speaker and leader of the Kind Heart Project, has worked extensively with kindergartens in Denmark to research what kindness in the classroom looks and feels like, and what it needs to ensure it becomes a natural part of life within the classroom. He used a phrase which is simple in concept, but really powerful in action. He said his research has shown that children thrive in circumstances where the adults around them 'set clear boundaries with great care'. This is not making rules for the sake of it, but making sure children have the guidelines they need to feel safe and secure, knowing what they can do and also what they can't do. It is about using our wisdom as parents and educators to think deeply about what is in the best interests of our children, which may not always be what they want to happen, and making sure our decisions are taken from a place of love and care.

Returning to our assemblies, there was also an opportunity for the children to reflect on times they have received kindness, and the people that they might find it hard to be kind to, as well as the importance of being kind to ourselves sometimes too. As one of our core values at Trinity, kindness is something we talk about often and regularly see excellent examples of in the children. So, it was no surprise to hear them make many fantastic suggestions during the assembly of ways to be kind to others. It was lovely, though, to hear them share examples of when someone else has been kind to them. Kindness is something that comes naturally to children if they are in the right environment, it is our role as adults to encourage and promote that environment.

DIARY DATES

Term Dates 2023/2024

March Thur 28th

End of Term 4

April

Mon 15th Start of Term 5

Mon 22nd Maple Share my Work Tue 23rd Holly Share my Work Wed 24th Jasmine Share my Work

Wed 24th Academy Meeting for Parents

6pm, School Hall

Thur 25th Pine Share my Work Mon 29th Oak Share my Work

Tue 30th Bramble Share my Work

May

Wed 1st Poppy Share my Work Thur 2nd Gorse Share my Work

Mon 6th Bank Holiday

Sun 19th Colour Run 12,30pm

End of Term 5 Fri 24th

June

Mon 3rd Start of Term 5 Sat 29th Summer Fair

July

Tue 23rd Break up for Summer

School News

Comic Relief - Red Nose Day

Thank you to everyone for baking and spending at the cake sale last week! We raised £194.08







Good Friday 29 March 10am at Holy Trinity Church

World Book Day Tokens

We have been given spare book tokens (enough for everyone!) and your child will

bring one home with them shortly. These need to

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be used by 31 March 2024. Hunting Raven Books in Frome still has a good selection of books. Enjoy!



Flourishing together through Kindness Curiosity Respect Resilience Teamwork

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IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS

Mon 25th March 8:30am - 4:30pm Closure of Somerset Road: Dommetts Lane to Weymouth Road including the Dommetts Lane/ Somerset Road, Green Lane/Somerset Road and Weymouth Road/Somerset Road junctions.

Wed 27th March 8:30am-4:30pm Closure of Somerset Road: Weymouth Road to Whitewell Road.

Access and parking within the road closures will be prohibited for roadworks.

www.frametowncouncil.gov.uk/school-streets





Please note the road closures for next week



Thank you to everyone who attended our Easter Fun Day and thanks also to Friends of Trinity First School for organising a wonderful afternoon.

M N Midsomer Norton S P Schools Partnership

Academy Conversion Consultation
Meeting for Parents
Wednesday 24th April
6pm in the school hall

Regular Notices and Reminders



Contact Details Update

Just a reminder if you have recently changed telephone numbers or moved house,



please let the office know so we can update your records. It is important to have up-to-date contact details in case of an emergency.

Please drop a quick email to

office@trinityfirstfrome.co.uk

Swimming - Year 3

Just a reminder for Year 4 (Holly and Bramble) parents that payment for



Term 4 (Feb-March) is now available to pay through <u>ParentPay</u>. If you are a Trust Fund pupil, you can use your funds to pay for swimming. Just email the office so we can check your balance and arrange this for you. Thank you.

For those parents who have already made a voluntary contribution, we are in the process of refunding for the two weeks that we missed this term. You should see a refund or correction in your parentpay account shortly.



School Lunch Menus

Term 5 Lunches

Please order meals by midnight on Monday 25^{th} March to ensure your child has lunches after the Easter holidays (w/c 15^{th} April). Please do not try to order meals after this date.

Please note that the Bank Holiday Monday on 6th May has not been blocked out so please ensure you don't order a lunch for this day. Thank you.





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Share my Work

Please find below the April/May dates for Share My Work. This will be a 20-minute session for you to come into school at 8:45 on the

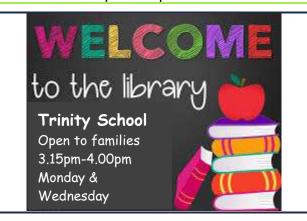
allotted day for your child's class to look at their work with them.

Maple: Monday 22nd April
 Holly: Tuesday 23rd April

Jasmine: Wednesday 24th April

Pine: Thursday 25th April
 Oak: Monday 29th April

Bramble: Tuesday 30th April
 Poppy: Wednesday 1st May
 Gorse: Thursday 2nd May



Wraparound

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Bookings for Term 4 (Feb-March 2024) are currently open to all for new bookings, amends and cancellations.

Please make all bookings and amendments through your ParentPay account by clicking on your child's name and selecting the Clubs menu.

Kites - Bookings are open until 10pm the day before to enable one-off bookings/cancellations.

Trinity Plus - Bookings are open until 8am on the day to enable one-off bookings/cancellations.

Please can we remind parents to <u>collect on time</u> and to pre-book your child's place, as there are limited numbers to ensure a safe pupil to staff ratio.

If you have any questions, please email Sarah.Hockley@trinityfirstfrome.co.uk

(working Wed 12.30-3.30pm and Fri 9am-3.30pm)

Clubs

Trinity First School -Songbirds

Our popular free school club, focusing on singing fun songs and learning key



choral skills, will run again after Easter. The club shall run from 3.15pm - 4.00pm every Friday. Children from all year groups are welcome to attend. Due to the popularity of Songbirds, places are limited on a first come, first served basis. Please can we respectfully request that you encourage your child to commit to the club by attending regularly as there will be a waiting list. The will be dismissed through the Jasmine class gate at the end of the session.

Bookings from Term 4 will not carry over so please rebook if your child would like to continue.

Please book your child's/ren space through the clubs section in ParentPay (the club is free). If there are no spaces, please contact the office to be put on the waiting list.

Trinity First School - Ukulele

I am excited to offer the opportunity for the children to learn the ukulele next term. This club will run 3.15pm - 4.00pm every



Wednesday starting from 24th April until 22nd May.

We are very lucky to own a class set of ukuleles, so you do not need to provide one in order for your child to participate. I am able offer 25 places on a <u>first come</u>, <u>first served basis</u>. Please can I respectfully request that you encourage your child to attend if they have been offered a place as there will be a waiting list for those who would like to attend.

The first session shall commence Wednesday 24^{th} April in Jasmine's classroom. Collect from the Jasmine gate at 4pm please.

Mrs Williams

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Local Events





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of autism and neurodiversity. In each session you will learn about a different aspect of autism, including the key differences between the brains of neurotypical and autistic individuals, ho autism affects executive functioning skills and how autism and anxiety are linked.

What do I need to know?

Introduction to Autism - Taster: Wednesday 17th April 2024 5:00pm - 8:00pm | 1 Session

Understanding Autism - Starter: Wednesday 1st - 22nd May 2024 5:00pm - 8:00pm | 4 Sessions

Understanding Autism: Sensory Sensitivity, Stimming and Masking - Developer Wednesday 19th June - 3th July | 5:00pm - 8:00pm | 3:5

Call Somerset Skills & Learning for more information / book online

0330 332 7997 sslcourses.co.uk

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10:00am - 12:30pm | 1 Session Understanding ADHD - Starter: Friday 3rd - 24th May 2024 10:00am - 12:30pm | 4 Sessions Managing ADHD - Developer: Friday 7th June -- 21st June 2024 10:00am - 12:30pm | 3 Sessions Call Somerset Skills & Learning for more information / book online 0330 332 7997 sslcourses.co.uk







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