

HEADS UPDATE from Amanda Seager

This week began with a monitoring visit with our School Improvement Partner. Derek Watts has worked with Trinity for a number of years. Initially this was funded by the LA, but more recently has been something we have continued as a school and funded ourselves as we value the opportunity to welcome support and challenge from external experts. Derek is a former headteacher and Ofsted inspector who works with schools across the south west. It is so useful to have the viewpoint of someone who has such a wealth of experience, and who also gets the chance to see what lots of other schools are doing and so is able to share great new ideas!

On Monday, Derek and I looked at samples of children's work in RE, science, history and Art from across the school. In some cases, the children have filled more than one exercise book and both the quantity and quality of work on show was hugely impressive. It is always such a pleasure looking through a child's work across the school year and seeing the progress that has been made. Being able to see work from every year group and see the learning that is achieved in a particular subject over a child's 5 years at Trinity is equally wonderful.

Derek and I also carried out a 'learning walk' – a visit to each class to see the children in action. Everywhere we went, we saw children who were calm and purposeful in their learning, and very happy to talk to us about the learning they were doing. In Reception, we saw some amazing writing in progress, as well as lots of child-initiated play. Across the school, Derek was impressed by the quality of the artwork on display, taking photos to share both in our written report and with other schools.

The third aspect of the visit is sharing recent data and comparing that with national figures. I am delighted to report that Trinity is doing extremely well in this regard! There are three national measures that affect us – data at the end of the Reception year (known as the Good level of Development), the phonics screening check at the end of Year 1 and the multiplication tables check at the end of Year 4. 83% of our Reception children have achieved the good level of development, 97% of our children passed the phonics screening check, and our average score in the multiplication tables check was 22 out of 25. The phonics scores and good level of development put us significantly above the latest national figures, and our tables check average is slightly above the national average. All three are worthy of celebrating, and Derek was suitably positive about them all.

It was a very successful visit, and reflects the hard work and dedication of staff and pupils alike!

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DIARY DATES

Term Dates 2023/2024

July

Wed 17th Music Day and Whole School Picnic
Tue 23rd Break up for Summer

September

Tue 3rd First Day Back to School



Timetable change for September

From September, our school day will change slightly, with a small adjustment in the morning.

The gates will be **opened** slightly earlier, at **8:40am**, and they will also **close** slightly earlier, at **8:45am**, when registers will be taken and all children are expected to be in school. There will be no change to the end of the school day, which will remain at 3:15pm.

This is to enable our school day to align with Department for Education requirements that children attend school for 32.5 hours per week.

School News

Staffing Update



At the end of this term, we will be saying farewell to two members of staff. **Mrs Sims**, who has been a teaching assistant, lunchtime supervisor and breakfast club supervisor, will be retiring after over 30 years' service at Trinity. Mrs Sims will be sorely missed, but she has more than earned her retirement. We hope it will be a long and happy one.

Miss Hare will also be leaving us. Miss Hare has covered Miss Draws' maternity leave in Poppy class since Christmas and even in a short time has become much-loved by the children in the class. We wish Miss Hare all the very best for the future.

Class Names

From September, we will be changing the names of some of our classes. We know there will be some confusion initially as we all get used to the change, but we hope the new class names will make more sense! From September, the changes will be as follows:

- Poppy will become **Beech** class
- Jasmine will become **Chestnut** class
- Gorse will become **Sycamore** class
- Holly will become **Willow** class
- Bramble will become **Hazel** class

The other classes will remain as they are. This will give us Sunshine and Rainbow for our Reception classes and then all other classes will be named after trees, in line with our school logo.

Somerset School Choir Special Prize Winners

Congratulations to our children at Trinity who entered the Somerset Schools Choir Competition recently. They were delighted to win the prize for **Best Round** and they received this amazing feedback from the judging panel:

The panel really enjoyed hearing all of your beautiful voices and seeing the variety of performances that were produced.

They were impressed by the enthusiasm and diction displayed by the choir, especially given their age. They stayed in tune and time together with confident singing. 'Tue Tue' showed a very good performance from a young group of singers in singing a round.

Congratulations again on the prize for 'Best round for 'Tue Tue'.

We look forward to your entry next year.



Reminders

Trinity First School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all children.
We expect all our staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

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Required from January 1st 2025

SENDCo 0.4
Salary scale: UPS 1-3,
plus SENDCo allowance

Are you passionate about inclusion? Would you love to join a staff team that feels the same way?

If so, then we have an exciting opportunity to join Trinity First School as our SENDCo. The current postholder has developed excellent provision, including a highly successful, daily nurture intervention. We have a staff team that is talented and dedicated to providing the very best for our children with the highest need. We are looking for someone who can build upon this success and continue to lead and manage all aspects of SEND provision across our school.

Please contact the school office on 01373 461949 or e mail office@trinityfirstfrome.co.uk for an application pack.

Closing Date: Wednesday 10th July at 5pm
Interview date: w/c Monday 15th July

Whole School Picnic Wednesday 17th July



World Music Day is on Wednesday 17th July and we will be using the main hall all day. Therefore, we will be taking the opportunity to have a whole school picnic on this day.

There will be NO hot lunches on this day so children can bring in a packed lunch from home or order one through ParentPay. Full details can be found under the trips section on your child's ParentPay account. The deadline to order a packed lunch from school is midnight on Monday 8th July.

If you have already made a hot lunch booking for this day, please cancel this via the usual ParentPay lunch booking, as we are unable to cross this day off on ParentPay. Thank you.

Celebrating Birthdays

We love to celebrate the children's birthdays with them in school, but from September we will no longer be able to share sweets or cake with the class at the end of the day. Instead, we invite the children to come into school on their birthday in mufti (with their birthday badge if they have one and wish to wear it) as a treat. If a child's birthday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, during a school holiday, or on a whole school mufti day, they can wear their own choice of clothes on either the school day before or the next school day after. Thank you for your support.



Regular Notices



Wraparound

Bookings for Term 1
(2024-2025 Sept-Oct)
are open to all for new bookings

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 kindly remind parents to **collect on time** 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)



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Local Events



CARNIVAL & SUMMER CLUB
scrap carnival - reusing junk to play zamba funk!

make & play instruments!
design & create costumes!

ages 7+

BOOK NOW!
July 30th & 31st, 10am-3pm
Avanti Park School, Frome
£70 per child (2 day course)
email: [Abi Bailey to book - canopyartoffice@gmail.com](mailto:Abi.Bailey@book-canopyartoffice@gmail.com)



Solsbury Hill Ensemble
presents:
Journey Around the World
A Creative Community Concert

Saturday 6th July
Rise, Frome

10:00 or 11:30 am

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- Top quality music
- Relaxed atmosphere

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Family activities
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Science Boost

Family pond dip and allotment explore
Sunday 9th June, 10-12

Family bug hunts and pond dips
Wednesday 10th July, 1:30-2:30
Wednesday 10th July, 3:15-4:30

Rocket launching (at Children's Festival)
Sunday 21st July, 11am-1pm

BOOK FREE TICKETS:

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FRIDAY 26TH JULY 10AM-7.30PM

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The Trumpet

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Summer Forest Club



Full day sessions fuelled by nature at our beautiful woodland camp

MAVERICK

Your children can take part in games, shelter building, fire making, cooking delicious food over the fire, wood crafting, storytelling and more, while being curious about what the woodlands have to offer.

Dates: 31st July, 1st, 7th, 8th, 14th & 15th August
Venue: Ammerdown Woods, Nr Frome
Time: 9:30am - 4pm
Ages: 7+
Max group size: 14
Cost: £35pp/day (sibling discounts available)
Block book 4 days for £130




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Friday 2nd August	10am to 2pm	Cricket with Somerset Cricket Association — Ages 5-8	Cricket Club, Rodden Road, Frome, BA11 2AH
Wednesday 7th August	10am to 2pm	Scavenger Hunt, exploring nearby walks and games — Transport Available	Sheep Water, 74 Clay Street, Crocketton, Warminster, BA128AF
Thursday 8th August	10am to 1pm	Family Cookery	Trinity Church Hall, Trinity Street, Frome, BA11 2DE
Friday 9th August	9am to 12pm	Bouldering	Frome Boulder Rooms, The Cotton Works, Wells Road, Frome, BA11 3EN
Wednesday 14th August	2pm to 5pm	Accessible Multi-sports	Frome Vine Park, Follyham Lane, Frome, BA11 5AJ
Thursday 15th August	10am to 2pm	Fun outdoors including pipe wiring and campfire cooking — Transport available	The Old Quarry, Witham Friary, Frome, BA11 5HD
Friday 16th August	10am to 2pm	Cricket with Somerset Cricket Association — Ages 9-12	Cricket Club, Rodden Road, Frome, BA11 2AH
Wednesday 21st August	2:30pm to 5:30pm	Run for the Purple Elephant (charity run) - go for a walk with us in the park.	Rodden Meadow, via Willow Vale, Frome, BA11 2EA
Thursday 22nd August	10am to 2pm	Exploring Nature in Witham Friary woods and more!	Meet Outside Frome Library
Friday 23rd August	10am to 1pm	Arts and crafts	New Road Park, Hillside Drive, Frome, BA11 5AS

Suggested donation of £2 per child unless otherwise specified
www.PurpleElephant.org.uk

FAMILY HOLIDAY

SUMMER 2024

13 days of fun activities in Frome for families in need of support.

Friday 26th July	10am to 1pm	Arts and Crafts with Nature	New Road Park, Hillside Drive, Frome, BA11 5AS
Wednesday 31st July	10am to 2pm	Fun outdoors including pipe wiring and campfire cooking — Transport available	The Old Quarry, Witham Friary, Frome, BA11 5HD
Thursday 1st August	10am to 1pm	Family Cookery	Trinity Church Hall, Trinity Street, Frome, BA11 2DE

Free Fair Frome lunch served at each session.

BOOKING ESSENTIAL - contact RebeccaHarrison@purpleelephant.org.uk to book a place or ask your school or support worker to refer you

Adults to accompany and remain responsible for their children at all times.
Family support workers available at all sessions.

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£35 for a family of 4
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