



This is likely to be the last newsletter of the Year. I would like to thank my pupils for being amazing. They work very hard and show a genuine love of school. I would like to thank you, our parent(s)/carer(s), for your ongoing support and kindness and want you to know that your children are a credit to you. I finally want to thank my staff who always go that extra mile and put our school and our pupils first. They work long hours, weekends and holidays to make sure that what they do in school is always their very best. They are a dedicated team and we are lucky to have them.

Next Week: Our last day is next Wednesday.

It is really important that children continue to attend as they are completing important transition work

A huge well done to our 17-18 Year 6!

Our leavers did really well this year in their SATs. I know that behind the data there are stories of personal triumph, challenge and hard work. Some pupils may have just missed their targets whilst others will have surprised themselves. Ultimately they all progressed well with their learning whether they met the standard or not and they did their very best. We couldn't have been prouder of each and every one of you. We are proud of our results this year and wanted to share them with you:

	2017	2018		2018 National Results
	At Standard	At Standard	Difference ('17 to '18)	
Reading	63%	87%	+24%	75%
Writing	71%	73%	+2%	78%
Maths	75%	77%	+2%	76%
SPAG	67%	77%	+10%	78%
Combined	58%	60%	+5%	64%
Higher Standard Combined	4%	13%	+9%	

We have increased our results in all subjects and are around national figures. Our reading results are the best we have ever had and are well above the national. This has been a real source for celebration in school and reflect the work we have done to get children reading regularly with understanding and fluency.

This Week

Year 3 have won the best attending class award for this week, with 98.4% attendance.

This week's attendance was 95.8%. This attendance figure has kept our overall figure at 95.1%. This is still way below the National average and needs to improve. Attendance has been hit by holidays being taken in term time. Please note that any holiday of 10 or more sessions (more than 4.5 days) is subject to a penalty notice.

Transition:

Transition has been working well. We have changes in KS1 with a mixed Y1/2 class and we will be welcoming our new Y6 teacher in September. Miss Howlett met her class again yesterday and is really looking forward to starting with us. She is a Y6 writing moderator for the local authority and currently works at Brigshaw leading on Y6 to Y7 transition. Miss Howlett is a highly experienced Y6 teacher and we look forward to her joining us in September.

Mrs Eastwood leaves the academy this summer but is staying within Abbey Multi Academy Trust as a Leading Practitioner for Literacy. This means that she will be working across the primary schools in the Trust developing the teaching of literacy. This fantastic opportunity is well deserved as Mrs Eastwood has worked very effectively at Holy Trinity as our Literacy Leader and the role recognises her outstanding literacy teaching. Mrs Eastwood will continue to work with us in her new role and we are excited about that. We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Eastwood for her hard work and dedication and congratulations to her on securing her promotion.

Recently we welcomed Mrs Ruddy back from maternity and in September are going to be saying a temporary farewell to Mrs Swaine who will begin her maternity leave.

We also say goodbye to Miss Kirk in Arkids. She has been with us since the before/after school club was taken on by school. We would like to thank Miss Kirk for her hard work and wish her good luck in her new job. We will be advertising for a new Play Leader and details will be found on the school website once the advert has been finalised. Playleaders work 8-9am and 3-6pm and further information about the role can be obtained by speaking to either Mrs Jackson or Mrs Martin.

Finally, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Pierce who has been a lunchtime supervisor at Holy Trinity for a number of years. Every day she checks that all pupils have had lunch and also tends to lunchtime first aid. We would like to thank her for her hard work and wish her luck for the future.

With some changes it was important to us that children had a good transition this summer. Staff and pupils are getting to know each other well and there is a real sense of calm and shared purpose at the end of this long term. I know that the time children spend in their new classes is vital for a great start in September. I want to thank my staff who have worked really hard at the end of this term to make transition the huge success it is.

New Starters

This week we welcomed our new starters for stay and play sessions. We currently have 24 pupils joining us in September and are likely to fill Reception as the year progresses. Our new pupils are already enjoying coming to Holy Trinity and are settling in well.

New Starters 2019

Whilst September 2019 seems like ages away it isn't if you have a child due to start school then. Applications for school places are submitted from November 2018 to January 2019 and it is really important that we have another successful intake. I therefore need your help in promoting our school to prospective parents. Please tell them about our academy and please share the great things that we do. We also have fliers advertising our open afternoon. (detailed below) if you are able to distribute them locally. We would like to get these in local shops, nurseries etc. so that prospective parents can arrange to come in and see first-hand how great our pupils are and what a fantastic school we have. Thank you

Open Afternoons:



Holy Trinity CE Primary Academy, Rothwell
open afternoon
Is your child starting school In September 2019?
We would like you to join us for one of our open afternoons on 12th and 24th Sept., 10th and 26th Oct., 12th and 29th Nov., 12th Dec 2018 or 11th Jan. 2019 (1.15pm - 3.15pm) so that you can meet us and see for yourself what makes our academy very special. Our pupils are compassionate, happy and successful and our parents value the dedication of our staff, the support they receive and our focus on developing their 'whole' child.

We also have several tours each week and really want to show you why we love our academy. Please call 0113 859 1842 or email info@holytrinityce.co.uk to find out more or to arrange a visit.

Bun Sale

Year 3 will be making crispy buns on Tuesday and they will be selling them in the playground after school.

School telephone number and email address

Please be aware the school has a new telephone number as follows – 0113 8591842 and also has a new email address of info@holytrinityce.co.uk

Dates for your Diary:

Dates	Event
Wednesday 25 th July	Last day in school before holiday
Thursday 26 th July to Friday 31 st August	Summer Holiday
Monday 3 rd September	Training Day – school closed to children
Tuesday 4 th September	School re-opens to children after the summer holiday
Tuesday 11 th September	Road Safety Training for Rec / Y1 / Y2 & Y4
Tuesday 18 th September	School Photographs (individual photos)
Tuesday 25 th September	Years 5 & 6 trip to Imperial War Museum North
Monday 29 th Oct to Friday 2 nd Nov	Half Term Holiday
Monday 19 th November	Training Day – school closed to children
Monday 22 nd July 2019	Training Day – school closed to children
Tuesday 23 rd July 2019	Training Day – school closed to children
Wednesday 24 th July 2019	Training Day – school closed to children

For absences please call on 0113 8591842. All absences must be reported by 9.20am.

We take safety very seriously at our school

If you have any concerns please contact Mr Foulke or Mrs Owen

School Calendar Academic Year 2018 – 2019

Holiday	Schools close	Schools open
Summer break		Monday 3 September 2018
Autumn mid-term	Friday 26 October 2018	Monday 5 November 2018
Christmas break	Friday 21 December 2018	Monday 7 January 2019
Spring mid-term	Friday 15 February 2019	Monday 25 February 2019
Easter break	Friday 29 March 2019	Monday 15 April 2019
Easter Weekend	Thursday 18 April 2019	Tuesday 23 April 2019
May Bank Holiday	Friday 3 May 2019	Tuesday 7 May 2019
Summer mid-term	Friday 24 May 2019	Monday 3 June 2019
Summer break	Wednesday 24 July 2019	

Training Days for Holy Trinity C of E Academy, Rothwell for academic year 2018 – 2019 are as follows: -

Monday 3 September 2018
Monday 19 November 2018
Monday 22 July 2019
Tuesday 23 July 2019
Wednesday 24 July 2019