



Message from the Headteacher

Whilst I do not want to dwell too much upon the unprecedented challenges of the past two years, I do want to share with you my admiration for the courage and resilience that all members of this community have demonstrated. Hopefully as we begin to emerge from the other side of this crisis, we do so in the sure knowledge that those bonds which have been forged in adversity have only served to enrich and intensify our relationships with one another. We have inspired each other to live with hope and face the future in the sure knowledge that we will emerge from this in a stronger position than ever before. We have not simply survived; we have grown together and thrived together during these most testing of times.

I believed that our School Development Plans have been ambitious enough in their own right, but recent events have served to blast them into the stratosphere. When we decided to introduce iPads, chrome books and embed the use of Google Classroom, little did we know how much they would be used. Staff have embraced digital technology with a speed and enthusiasm which is indicative of their strong commitment to professional development. Indeed, we have an energised body of teachers who bring with them extensive experience. The creativity and intellectual dynamism now apparent in our Staff Room is one of the strongest facets of Holy Trinity. I am immeasurably proud of my colleagues and I marvel at their resourcefulness and the compassionate solicitude that they have demonstrated for all of our children. In countless ways, they have revealed the depth of their love for this School. They have moved proverbial mountains during recent months and have done so with grace and kindness. All our teachers have adapted to online teaching incredibly successfully – always seeking to 'go the extra mile' in order to maximise learning opportunities for our children. I am proud of them, grateful to them and humbled by them. We would be nothing without them and I thank each and everyone of them for all that they do for our children. The same can be said of our support staff, who are phenomenal.

In addition, during these difficult times, support from our parents has remained steadfast. We never underestimated the huge sacrifices that you have made in order to provide excellent home education for your children. There is an inevitability that many of our parents have endured hardship of late and your continued support for the school humbles us. It is never taken for granted and we are honoured that you choose to become members of this wonderful community.

I would also like to thank the Board of Governors who read the information we provide and help set the strategic direction for the years to come, giving their time voluntarily, and especially to my supportive chair of Governors Wyn Brack, who has worked tirelessly on the governing body for more than 20 years and who will be stepping down at the end of this academic year. She has been amazing!

To the PTA, who through fundraising and parental support, have reached a new level in their commitment and organisation by providing such wonderful events and resources to the school. This year they have funded the Key Stage 1 Wow days. A huge thank you to them from all the children and staff.

I am the custodian of this school community, and it is my responsibility to serve each and every member of this school. Whilst hierarchical structures remain in terms of the school's leadership structure, this is a community firmly rooted in equality and one in which every individual has a powerful voice. This is certainly not my school, it is our school and the physical buildings that surround us are our hopes and dreams, the very beating soul of this community, made manifest in bricks, stone and mortar. I hope when we look back on 2020/2021 we will do so with a sense of pride and recognise it as a point in our history when the spirit of our community burned with a radiant brightness that transcended all adversity.

To our Year 6, we wish you well in your future endeavours. You have borne yourself so well throughout these recent times and you have served as a shining example of all that it means to be a pupil at Holy Trinity. I wish you all the best. My advice would be to 'Aspire not to have more, but to be more' and hopefully your time at Holy Trinity has helped prepare you to become the people I know you can be.

Finally, I wish you all an amazing summer and thank you for all your support this year!

Farewell & Good Luck Year 6



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates for Spring Term	
Thursday 15 th July	Year 6 Confirmation Party
Friday 16 th July	School Closes for the Summer at 12.05pm Pick up times are as follows: 11.50 – Reception 11.55 – Years 1 and 2 12.00 – Years 3, 4 and 5 12.05 – Year 6
Thursday 2 nd September	Reception & Year 6 only Return to School
Friday 3 rd September	All Pupils Return to School
Wednesday 29 th September	Year 5 Everdon Residential – Current Year 4
Monday 11 th October	School Photographer
Tuesday 12 th October	Reception Vision Screening
Friday 22 nd October	INSET DAY
HALF TERM	Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th October
Monday 1 st November	INSET DAY
Thursday 25 th November	Whole School Flu Immunisation
Friday 3 rd December	PTA Christmas Disco
Friday 17 th December	School closes for Christmas at 12.05pm
Wednesday 5 th January	INSET DAY

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

SCHOOL TERM DATES - SEPTEMBER 2021 - JULY 2022

AUTUMN TERM 2021

(Wednesday 1st September - Whole School INSET)

Thursday 2nd September Reception and Year 6 Pupils Only

Friday 3rd September All Pupils in School

(Friday 22nd October & Monday 1st November - INSET)

HALF TERM – Monday 25th October – Friday 29th October

Tuesday 2nd November – Friday 17th December *(12.05pm finish)*

CHRISTMAS BREAK – Monday 20th December – Monday 3rd January

SPRING TERM – 2022

(Tuesday 4th & Wednesday 5th January - INSET)

Thursday 6th January – Friday 18th February

HALF TERM - Monday 21st February - Friday 25th February

Monday 28th February – Friday 8th April *(12.05pm finish)*

EASTER BREAK – Monday 11th April - Friday 22nd April

SUMMER TERM – 2022

Monday 25th April – Friday 27th May

(Bank Holiday – Monday 2nd May, Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd June)

HALF TERM – Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June

Monday 6th June – Wednesday 20th July *(12.05pm finish)*

INSET DAYS

Wednesday 1st September

Friday 22nd October

Monday 1st November

Tuesday 4th January

Wednesday 5th January

SCARECROW TRAIL



As part of our **AUTUMN FAYRE** celebration, we are holding our first ever Scarecrow Trail and we'd love as many of you to take part as possible. You can be as creative as you like, but if you'd like to make a tribute to Worzel Gummidge that's totally fine too.

✓ Scarecrows need to be displayed outside your home from **2.30PM** on **FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER** (they can be brought back in on Sunday evening). We'll be selling maps for £1 when the children return to school.

There will be a prize for the most **POPULAR SCARECROW!** If you'd like to be included in this please bring yours along to the Autumn Fayre on **SUNDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER**.



Please get in touch to let us know you are taking part by Friday 20th August so we can include your scarecrow on the map.



WE REALLY CAN'T WAIT TO SEE THEM ALL!