



Trinity St Stephen CE Aided First School

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to the new half term. The week began with a call from Ofsted informing us that we would be one of the schools chosen across the country for an Interim visit. The purpose of the visit is to understand the barriers schools may be facing as a result of lock down and the return to full opening for schools. The day focussed on areas such as attendance, safeguarding arrangements, the school curriculum and behaviour. There was a significant amount of questioning around remote education both during lock down and going forward. I am proud to report that she commented on elements of our provision being excellent and unique across the country. Offering a range of subjects with the opportunity to join other workshops such as the dance workshop was impressive. I would like to thank all the staff for their creativity and working so hard during this time. The day went well and there will be a letter sent to parents from Ofsted shortly.

In the light of rising Coronavirus numbers both nationally and locally and a new lock down I have reviewed the school risk assessment. The risk assessment can be found on the school website by following the link: <https://www.tssfist.co.uk/parents/helpful-hint>

The changes made are:

- All visitors to school, those not employed by the school, must wear masks or face coverings whilst inside the building.
- Only one parent or carer to enter the school premises whilst dropping off and collecting children.
- We will be open to essential visitors only.

During the lock down period we will be taking the children outside more frequently to complete the 'golden mile' to ensure that during the shorter days all children have access to a good level of physical exercise.

Next week we will be commemorating Remembrance Day on Wednesday by joining together for a virtual assembly and then meeting outside for the silence. I am thrilled to say that we have also been working on a piece of Remembrance themed art work which can now be seen at the Dedworth Road Tesco Store.

We will also be supporting the British Legion Poppy Appeal as we normally do. Our contact at the British Legion has kindly left boxes of the poppy themed items for children to purchase as well as the traditional poppies. Items will be for sale on Monday and Tuesday at break time and children can wear their purchases for the week. Please see below for prices:



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	Suggested donation
Zip pull	A minimum of 50p
Poppy clip on reflector badge	A minimum of 50p
Wristbands	A minimum of £1.00
Snap bands	A minimum of £1.50
Traditional pin on poppies	A minimum of 10p

This week and next we are offering telephone consultations for those who wish to receive a call following the summary of your child’s progress sent home by the teachers just before half term. At this time of year we would normally survey our school community using the Ofsted question set. Your feedback is important to us and helps us further develop our provision. In the light of the impact of Coronavirus I have added a further set of questions. The survey will be sent home on Monday 09 November and can be returned to the box by the front door during the course of next week.

TSSSA remain busy. The pumpkin trail and the carving competition were very popular. Well done to our winners:

Oliver in Reception

Veronika in Year 1

Tymon in Year 2

Ella in Year 3

Ethan in Year 4

Prizes have been distributed today. Please take home any remaining pumpkins. Thank you.

The Year 3 and 4 children continue to take part in the Windsor Sports Partnership Virtual School Games. Competing against other schools in the local area, we have once again secured excellent results. Congratulations to Year 3 who came first in their competition. Year 4 took silver for a second time.

We are beginning to turn our thoughts towards Christmas. We are constantly reviewing how we will be celebrating this year. In the light of the current lock down the traditional Christingle and Nativity are unlikely to happen but I would like to reassure you that the staff and Church are working together to find ways forward which will enable us all to experience this wonderful time in a safe way. There will more details to follow shortly.



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Finally, individual photographs were taken yesterday and the order form is being sent home via the children's book bags today. It would considerably help the office and support our Coronavirus measures if, where possible, orders are made online. For anyone not having access to the internet please do return your order form to the office by Wednesday 11 November. Thank you.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Louise Lovegrove'.

Autumn Dates

29 November 2020	Christingle at 3pm (Church of St Stephen and St Agnes)
9 December 2020	Nativity at 6pm (Church of St Stephen and St Agnes)
18 December 2020	Term ends
4 January 2021	In Service Training day for staff
5 January 2021	Pupil term starts



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