

## **Trinity St Stephen CE Aided First School**

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**Dear Parents** 

Many thanks to two families who came to school last Saturday to support a 'leaf and weed' clear up. The families who kindly agreed to work in the school car park and the Reception outside area worked very hard and left the school looking a lot tidier. We appreciate the work that was done by the volunteers. There will be more working parties in the future. If you would like to volunteer please let either the school office or Caroline or Dani know.

TSSSA arranged a virtual quiz this week, hosted by Cleo and Hugo's Mum and Evelyn's Mum. Thank you for providing an entertaining evening for our community. The eventual winner was Henry's Mum in Year 3. Well done!

The TSSSA have also the following activities organised:

- Monday 16 November deadline for Diwali lockdown curry orders
- Wednesday 18 November introduction to Pilates 8-9.00pm, via Zoom
- Monday 23 November deadline for Trinity Tea Towel orders

The school focussed on our Christian value of Peace this week as we marked Armistice Day. Assemblies focussed on promoting kind and gentle behaviour. The children enjoyed purchasing the Poppy merchandise from the British Legion and we were pleased to support in a year that has been so difficult for organisations such as this to fund raise. I am pleased to say that the approximate total raised is £310.00 – a record!

Several families have asked for further information regarding our Christmas festivities. I mentioned last week that we would have to review the situation as we will not be able to use the church in the same way. The Ethos Committee at school have met and have agreed to celebrate our Christingle in a different way this year. Children will be able to come in their own clothes on **Friday 27 November** for a small donation of your choice for *The Children's Society*. At home time every child will be given a small bag with all the items required to make their own Christingle at home. We hope that you may be able to send photographs of your child with the lit Christingle for a school display.

The school nativity is still under discussion. I hope to give you further information next week but I can say that the staff are working on an idea which will hopefully mean that children, specifically in Year 1 and Year 4, do not feel that they have missed their year.

I sent out earlier in the week details of the role of Business Manager. If you, or anyone you know, may be interested in this role please contact the office. Details of the job are available on the website by following the link: <u>https://www.tssfirst.co.uk/school-life/job-vacancies</u>



*Thriving and Achieving in a Caring Christian Community This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.* John Ch15 v12





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The school is hosting regular Prospective Parent Sessions via Zoom for Reception 2021. If you know of anyone who may be looking at schools for the next academic year do ask them to contact the office for further details.

Recently, we appear to have had a number of children who have been collected late at the end of the day. We understand that sometimes unexpected events crop up or heavy traffic may mean that you are late. It is always helpful, if safe to do so, to contact school to explain, and we will always reassure your child and wait with them. We would like to monitor the situation, so families arriving more than 5 minutes after the end of the school day will be recorded and the member of staff with your child will ask the reason for the delay from now on. Thank you for your understanding.

Finally, there are a couple of flyers accompanying this newsletter. The first is from the Clewer Cluster for the Christmas Book Club for Years 3 and 4. This is the second book club event after a very successful start. I would definitely recommend joining. The second is from RBWM on road safety giving excellent ideas for consideration at this time of year when the evenings are drawing in.

Kind regards,

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Autumn Dates

| 27 November 2020 | Come to school in home clothes and donate to The Children's Society.<br>All children will be taking home their own Christingle Kit. |
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| 9 December 2020  | Nativity – more information to follow   |
| 18 December 2020 | Term ends   |
| 4 January 2021   | In Service Training day for staff   |
| 5 January 2021   | Pupil term starts   |

