

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

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Dear Parents,

Children from Year 1 to Year 4 took part in a special visit this week. They visited The Last Supper sculpture by Peter Barnes. This is a fascinating piece of art work and is well worth a visit if you are in the town over the summer. The sculpture is in Windsor Parish Church and you can pop in at any time to see it. I am attaching an information leaflet with this newsletter. The children and adults were intrigued by the complexity of the words and symbols that the sculpture is decorated with. Many thanks to the supporting adults and to Reverend Sally for giving up her time to be there during our visits.

We have reached the end of another successful year. The Leaver's Service this week was a great tribute to the Year 4 children and celebrated their years at the school. Congratulations also to Noah, Priya, Hollie, Harry, Sunny and Tymon all of whom won well deserved Governor Awards. We are certainly very proud of all our Year 4 pupils and those that received awards.

Many thanks to the Year 4 parents and children who have given the school the most beautifully decorated Friendship bench. The children spent time putting their special messages and decoration on the bench under Jess's direction. It will be a treasured playground seat and will be the beginning of many new friendships for pupils to come.

I would also like to thank the Year 4 community for their wider contribution to the school. Many of the children and their families have been a great support over the years. The TSSSA in particular will miss their wisdom and experience. Thank you.

This year we have achieved a successful Ofsted, embedded the new Monster Phonic Scheme and introduced the children to Mastery Maths. The visit and school trip diary has been busy throughout the year with highlights such as Kidzania, The Natural History Museum, a visit from Florence Nightingale, Odds Farm Park and Whipsnade Zoo, not to mention the Year 4 Ufton Court residential trip.

The work of the TSSSA has been amazing. The association is thriving under the leadership of Kim and Abi and thanks to the many parents and friends who support their work.

The school is about to embark on further building work over the summer. We have been in discussion with the Oxford Diocese for a number of years over the restricted entrance into the school. There are many practical issues with the current gates as well as safety issues for pedestrians on the pavement and those coming into school. Over the holidays the first phase of a two-phase project will be completed. The school entrance will be widened and some of the brickwork between pillars will be replaced with railings to increase visibility for people on the pavement and those leaving the car park. A number of gates will be completely replaced to enhance security and improve the visual appearance of the school.



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Over the holidays there will also be a number of internal decorating projects taking place. Year 3 is being redecorated along with the school hall and the school entrance reception area. This is part of a rolling programme of internal improvements which will be taking place over the coming years.

I would like to thank all our staff, governors, parents and friends of the school for the support over the year and wish you all a relaxing summer break.

Kind regards,

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Louise Lovegrove

### Summer Term Dates:

Monday 04 September 2023	In Service Training Day – no pupils in school
Tuesday 05 September 2023	Pupil term starts
Thursday 19 October 2023	Pupil term finishes
Friday 20 October 2023	In Service Training Day – no pupils in school

### **Reception Request**

The Reception team are preparing for the new intake and have a request for items you may be clearing out over the summer. If you would like to donate any of the following items, please bring to the school office. Thank you.

- puzzles especially number and letter related ones or any up to 30 or 50 piece puzzles
- dinosaurs, minibeasts- especially spiders and scorpions, wild animals
- dolls house furniture
- construction- *Lego, Mobilo,* etc
- Playmobil
- any wind-up toys

As well as the above items we are also looking any socks children have grown out of suitable for 4-6 year olds.

### Summer Reading- a reminder

The library is also hosting free activities throughout the summer break. Please follow the link to find out more: <u>https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/home/leisure-and-culture/libraries/library-events</u>



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