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## Newsletter

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### Collective Worship

Next week in collective worship we are starting our Advent journey.

Advent, (from Latin *adventus*, "coming"), in the Christian church calendar, the period of preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ at Christmas and also of preparation for the Second Coming of Christ. This week we will be lighting our first Advent candle which is the candle of Expectation or Hope. This candle is sometimes called the Prophet's Candle.

### Dates for your Diary

Thursday 7th December - Phonics & Reading Open Afternoon 2.15pm to the end of the school day.

Friday 8th December - Christmas Jumper Sale

Tuesday 12th December – Nursery Nativity at 10am

Tuesday 12th December – Y3/4 Christmas Play at 2pm and 6pm

Thursday 14th December – KS1 Nativity at 10am

Thursday 14th December – Reception Christmas Concert at 2pm

Friday 15th December – KS1 Nativity at 2pm

Wednesday 20th December – Christmas Jumper Day (whole school)

Wednesday 20th December – Christmas Service at Holy Trinity Church at 9:15am

Wednesday 20th December – Infant School Christmas Lunch

Thursday 21st December – Junior School Christmas Lunch (KS2 children can wear their Christmas jumpers)

Friday 22nd December – school closes for Christmas

2024

Monday 8th January - LDLT Training Day school closed to pupils.

Tuesday 9th January - School reopens to all pupils.

### Year Group Christmas Party Dates

Spa Thursday 21st December (am)

Reception Wednesday 20th December (pm)

Year 1 Thursday 21st December (pm)

Year 2 Friday 22nd December (pm)

Year 3 Tuesday 19th December (pm)

Year 4 Wednesday 20th December (pm)

Year 5 Thursday 21st December (am)

Year 6 Thursday 21st December (pm)

*Please come in your normal school clothes for the day of the week and bring your party clothes to change into after lunch.*

### Training Days 2024/2025

Monday 2nd September 2024

Friday 25th October 2024

Monday 6th January 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

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### **Our Federation**

**Dear families,**

#### **Elf Day!**

Thank you so much for supporting our Elf Day celebrations! The children look fantastic and have thoroughly enjoyed the Elf Trot activities! Ihor's host family joined us for part of the day – they were delighted to see the children dressed up and remembering such a special member of our community. We will share more details of the day soon.

#### **Congratulations!**

We are thrilled to announce the arrival of Elodie-Maeve, born on 25<sup>th</sup> November at 01:42am weighing in at 9.03lbs. Miss Turner and Elodie are both well – we are all looking forward to baby cuddles very soon!



#### **Remember, Remember 100% in November!**

Well done to all those pupils who achieved 100% attendance in November! There were 60 children in the Infant school and 145 on the Junior Site ~ amazing results given the winter bugs that have hit Trinity this month. The winners will be drawn on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December in Praise!

#### **Phonics & Reading Open Afternoon**

Parents are invited to a Phonics & Reading Open Afternoon on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December. This is an opportunity for you to see how we teach phonics and reading across the Federation and join in with some of the learning activities that you might expect pupils to participate in. Classrooms will be open from 2.15pm until the end of the school day. Please arrive via the main entrance in the juniors and the main gate in the infants!

#### **The Big Ambition**

Last week I had the privilege of attending a presentation by The Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza. Dame Rachel spoke passionately about her role, especially about her duty to promote and protect the rights of all children, with particular regard to children who are living away from home or receiving social care services. As part of her speech, she shared that her priority is to listen to children across the country, to hear about their lives and champion their voices. Dame Rachel has launched The Big Ambition: a national survey of children and young people across England. The Big Ambition aims to hear from children across England on what they think is important! In the lead up to the next General Election, the Children's Commissioner wants to take children's thoughts, opinions and ideas to decision-makers, to make sure that the Government hears young people's voices on what they think needs to be done to make children's lives better in England.

The survey has gone to schools across England so the commissioner can start to hear from children and young people aged from 6 to 18. Parents are also being encouraged to complete the survey for those who may need additional support or on behalf of younger children (under 6) to make sure the needs of early years children are represented too.

The Big Ambition survey will be open until Friday 15th December.



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We are offering all our children the opportunity to join in the survey to let the Government know what they should do to make children's lives better.

### **Local Academy Council LAC**

The LAC met on Wednesday evening; full minutes of all Govs are available on our [website](#). There was quite a full agenda with governors discussing safeguarding, school data, progress against the School Development and Improvement Plan and the school budget. The LAC also agreed the training days for 2024- 2025. Governors are keen to recruit additional co-opted members. If you have experience in HR, Health & Safety or are passionate about education and would like to find out more about becoming a school governor, please email Adam Kitching, [Chair of Governors](#) or speak to one of your parent governors - Suresh Krishnan or Richard Hajjawi.

### **Christmas Jumpers!**

A reminder that the Eco Team are encouraging you to donate any preloved Christmas jumpers that no longer fit or are not worn anymore. They are planning to hold a preloved Christmas jumper sale on Friday 8th December after school in the KS2 hall and all items will be charged at £1. We are accepting donations up until Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2023.



### **Christmas Tree Decorations!**

A huge thank you to F. Tate & Sons Garden Centre on Studley Road, Ripon for kindly supplying two Christmas trees, one for each site. Children are invited to bring a homemade decoration to dress the tree. We will be dressing the tree on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December – please bring your decoration! Each class will spend time dressing the tree and singing Christmas Carols!



### **PARKING!**

A number of parents have raised concerns about parent parking outside of both schools. Please park considerately – parents must not park on the yellow lines or zig zags. A number of parents are reversing in and out of spaces and double parking – we have had reports of a number of near misses as children and parents attempt to cross the road.

### **Children in Need**

Thank you for your donations - we raised a fantastic £235 for Children in Need!

**Regards**

**Sue Sanderson**

**Executive Headteacher**

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### **Safeguarding**

#### **What is safer recruitment?**

Safer recruitment is a set of practices we follow at Holy Trinity to help make sure all staff and volunteers are suitable to work with children and young people. It is a vital part of creating a safe and positive environment and making a commitment to keep children safe from harm. Safer recruitment should be a continuing process of improvement for every school, club, business or organisation whose work or services involve contact with children. The Federation has a robust Safer Recruitment Policy which we adhere to and evidence when recruiting any new member to the team.

All schools are required to hold a Single Central Record. The single central record must cover the following people:

- all staff (including supply staff, and teacher trainees on salaried routes) who work at the school. In colleges, this means those providing education to children; and
- for independent schools, including academies and free schools, all members of the proprietor body (this includes members and trustees).

#### **Staff**

"Staff" means any person working at the school whether under a contract of employment, under a contract for services or otherwise than under a contract and includes a person working as a volunteer' The Education (Independent School Standards) (England) (Amendment) Regulations

The information that must be recorded in respect of staff (including teacher trainees on salaried routes) is whether the following checks have been carried out or certificates obtained, and the date on which each check was completed/certificate obtained.

The school Safeguarding governor checks the Single Central Record termly.

### **Class News**

Please see the class pages on our new website which will be updated each week with latest news!

### **Inclusion Team**

#### **Provision Map and Target Mats**

At our SEND information evening last night, I shared our progress so far and an overview of what parents will be able to access and view from home through the Provision Map system. Before Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December I will be contacting all parents of children on the SEND Register to offer a face to face or telephone appointment to co-produce and finalise the new Pupil Profiles and Target Mats. In the meantime, provision continues as normal to support the children. If you haven't received an email before Friday 3pm please contact me at [S.cope@htceschools.co.uk](mailto:S.cope@htceschools.co.uk)

**Mrs Cope**  
Assistant Headteacher and SENDCo

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### Sleep

December can often be a really busy and excitable month for children and this can affect a child's sleep pattern. The Sleep Charity have a host of top tips to help with bedroom environment to specific sleep problems. Please find more information by clicking [here](#).

### Office & Community

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**Holy Trinity Church**



**Clothes Swish**

📅 Fri Dec 1, 2023  
🕒 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church - Rooms 1 & 2



**Advent Film Night**

📅 Sat Dec 2, 2023  
🕒 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church - Rooms 1 & 2



**Holy Communion**

**9.00 am Holy Communion**

📅 Sun Dec 3, 2023  
🕒 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church



**10.30 All Together Worship with  
Holy Communion**

📅 Sun Dec 3, 2023  
🕒 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church - Nave



**Eating Together**

📅 Sun Dec 3, 2023  
🕒 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church



**Restored**

📅 Sun Dec 3, 2023  
🕒 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church - Arches



**Daily Morning Prayer - Zoom**

📅 Mon Dec 4, 2023  
🕒 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM  
📍 Online - Zoom



**Little Fishes**

📅 Mon Dec 4, 2023  
🕒 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church R 1-2



**Renew Ripon**

📅 Mon Dec 4, 2023  
🕒 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM  
📍 Holy Trinity Church - Coffee Area