



School Newsletter

Trinity Academy Eppleby Forcett and Middleton Tyas
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THE WEEK IN REVIEW

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to the new academic year and, of course, an extra special welcome to all of our new families. I hope that you've all had a wonderful summer. We have had a great start to the term with all of the children settling in extremely well to their new classes. We are always keen to share the children's learning with you, so here are just a few highlights from our first week back...

What a wonderful first week at school James's Jellyfish have had. The children have been busy getting to know the different areas of their classroom - they already know where to sit on the carpet and they have made lots of new friends. They are loving being James's Jellyfish and have made and decorated a bloom of jellyfish for their classroom display.

This week Year 1 have been busy settling in to their new school building. They had lots of fun on a scavenger hunt around the school to make them more familiar with their new surroundings. The children have shared lovely tales from their summer holidays and have already been working hard in class. Year 1 have been discussing this half term's Christian value of 'Thankfulness' and creating a wonderful list of things and people we should be thankful for. The Year 1 teaching team are already very impressed with the children's enthusiasm for learning and looking forward to the year ahead.

The children have had a super start to Year 2 in Parker's Penguins. They have been familiarising themselves with the learning resources in the classroom and writing a class contract. In maths, they have been using different resources, like multilink cubes, bead chains and Dienes blocks, to represent 2 digit numbers. They have also been learning some interesting facts about 'The Great Fire of London' to launch their topic - Great and Ghastly Events.

Year 3 have had a super return to school. They welcomed two new children to the class and have all settled quickly to our learning. Their topic this term is all about buildings, - from Mud Huts to Skyscrapers, and the children have been busy finding out about famous buildings around the world. They are all looking forward to an exciting year!

Our Year 4 children have had a great first week back getting to know Mrs Curzon and Mrs Yarrow. They have written some stunning diary recounts about their holidays, which they thoroughly enjoyed sharing with the class, and they have been working on Roman Numerals in maths. They had a super afternoon on Thursday when they all acted out the story of Noah in RE.

The Wallabies have settled so well into Year 5 and are already working incredibly hard. They have produced some impressive work in Maths this week, looking at place value, rounding and comparing numbers, and written some wonderful setting descriptions based on their new class novel. The children have also had great fun beginning to explore the Tudors in their new History topic. It has been a fantastic week!

This week the Year 6 children have started their new topic of 'Rich and Poor' by looking at 'The Ambassadors' by Hans Holbein and learning about the hidden images within his painting. They have also been making increasingly complex circuits in their Science lesson, and learning about parenthesis in English...what a busy 4 days they've had!

Looking forward to next week, we have our Friends AGM on Thursday at 7pm at school. We are a very friendly bunch! Please do come along and support us, as we start to plan some exciting events for the year ahead.

For day-to-day enquiries please contact the school office or speak to your child(ren)'s class teacher. As you know, I work for the Federation for 50% of the week and share my time between school sites, so am not always available. Do remember that our Head of School, Mrs McLean, can be contacted on a daily basis if necessary.

I look forward to seeing you in school soon.

Kindest regards,

Mrs K. Williamson, Executive Headteacher

INFORMATION

DIARY DATES - DATES IN RED ARE EVENTS RUN BY THE FRIENDS

Tuesday 10th September - The Friends AGM and Meeting 7pm at Trinity Academy Middleton Tyas

Friday 25th October - Schools close for the half term

Monday 4th November - Schools re-open

Friday 20th December - Schools close for the Christmas break

Monday 6th January - Schools closed to children (inset day)

Tuesday 7th January - Schools open for children

Friday 14th February - Schools close for the half term

Monday 24th February - Schools re-open

Friday 3rd March - School close for Easter



PARKING AT BOTH SCHOOLS

Please can all parents ensure they park thoughtfully and safely at both of our schools. We need to ensure that children and the general public are safe at all times and that our neighbours can always access their properties.

At Eppleby - Please refrain from using the road adjacent to the main school gate when dropping off or collecting children from school, including breakfast club and afterschool club. We are very mindful that this road is used by residents to access their properties and do not wish to cause them any distress. The bus is also using this road as a safe collection and drop off point to ensure the children are not disembarking onto a main road.

At Middleton Tyas - Please refrain from blocking residents driveways and avoid parking in a way that would obscure a pedestrian's or driver's view. Please do not park in the vicinity of the staff carpark area as the school bus needs full access to this area.

Many thanks.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Do you think your child may be entitled to Free School Meals?

Every child in Reception to Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals.

If you have a child in our schools and feel you fit any of the criteria listed below it would be worth applying for Free School Meals, even if your child is in Reception, Y1 or Y2.

Please click [here](#) to use the online application form.

NUTS!

As you are aware we are 'Nut Free' schools. Please can you ensure that children **do not** bring in any products that may contain nuts.

This includes all variants of Chocolate Spread.

Thanks.

