



# Holy Trinity Church of England Primary School

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Dear Holy Trinity Community,

I hope this finds you and your loved ones happy and well. Our staff and children have been simply wonderful this term, but it is clear that we are all very much looking forward to our Christmas holiday.

This academic year has been the first since March 2019-20 that there have been no disruptions due to the pandemic. We have been grateful to be able to focus upon the core purpose at Holy Trinity this term; the wellbeing and progress of every one of our children. I am grateful to you, our parent and carer community, for the support you have given our school this term. Now, more than ever, pressure and financial challenges are affecting our everyday lives. You have done your very best to ensure our children have what they need, when they need it, to be successful every day.

I must take this opportunity to thank our staff team and volunteers who have worked so hard this term to provide the very best possible education for our children. Illness, external challenges and the demands of the job are more prevalent now than ever before and what our team achieve every day is nothing short of exceptional. We are here for you and your children every day, and that is why Holy Trinity exists.

One member of staff I would like to thank in particular is Ms Nikki Walcott, who sadly leaves us today. I wrote about her qualities in last week's edition of Newsdesk and we will certainly miss her positivity, professionalism and sense of humour. We wish her the very best of luck in her new role. Mr Samuel and Mrs Richards will ensure that we continue to provide the best possible level of administrative support for our staff, parents and wider community.

The end of term festivities have been in full swing this week, from the Eucharist Service to Christmas Jumper and Lunch Day, and finally our Reception to Year 5 Christmas Performance 'The Fireside Nativity' which was a wonderful show. Here are some of the best photos from the performance:



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It is a very important period in time for the future of Holy Trinity. Last month our school's application to become part of the Southwark Diocese Multi-Academy Trust was approved by their board. The next stage is for the MAT to complete their due diligence on our school to ensure we are the right fit for one another. There will be a great deal more information and opportunities for our community to find out further details, and ask the important questions as things progress next term.

Our school will be fully closed throughout the Christmas holiday period. The email inbox will be monitored infrequently, so please bear with us if you don't receive a response in a prompt fashion. The school office will re-open on Tuesday 3rd January 2023 at 10.30am. The children's first day back will be Thursday 5th January 2023. The last day of Spring One will be Friday 10th February.

In my Christmas message during our Eucharist this week I described the journey that the fabled character Ebenezer Scrooge took from 'Christmas Grinch' to knowing and understanding the true meaning of Christmas. For me, it is all about family, thinking of others, good food, kindness and laughter. I would like to end my Christmas letter to you with an extract from 'Scrooged':


"It's Christmas Eve. It's the one night of the year when we all act a little nicer, we smile a little easier, we cheer a little more. For a couple of hours out of the whole year, we are the people that we always hoped we would be. It's a miracle. It's really a sort of miracle because it happens every Christmas Eve.

You have to do something. You have to take a chance. You do have to get involved. There are people that are having trouble making their miracle happen.

And if you give, then it can happen. Then the miracle can happen to you. I believe it's going to happen to me now. I'm ready for it. And it's great. It's a good feeling. It's really better than I've felt in a long time. I'm ready. Have a Merry Christmas everybody."

Wishing you and your family a restful, happy and enjoyable Christmas. We can't wait to see you in January 2023.

Best wishes,



Mr Winn

