

# Holy Trinity P.S. Newsletter

## January 2017



### Welcome Back

We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas break and we look forward to another successful year in 2017. Holy Trinity is renowned for the standards our children attain as well as for their manners and behaviour and we would like to thank our parents and carers for your vital role in helping our children to realise their potential.



### Important Dates

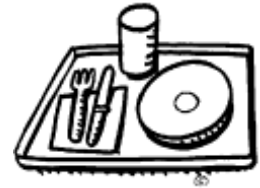
Service of Light – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 10:45 in Holy Trinity Church.

Confirmation – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 11:00 am in Holy Trinity Church

First Penance – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 10.45am in Holy Trinity Church.

Communion – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 11:00 am in Holy Trinity Church

### School Dinners



Only pupils who have Free Schools Meals entitlement can go to Free Dinners. Should you wish to apply for Free Schools Meals a form is available from the school office. It needs to be completed and sent to the Education Authority - Belfast Region. The forms are usually processed quite speedily. If you think you may be entitled but your child prefers to go to lunches it is still very useful to have the form completed and processed in case they forget to take their lunch to school.

The price of dinners has increased to £2.55.



### Adverse Weather

We would like to remind you of the procedures should the school be unable to open because of snow.

- A decision will be made by 8:30am
- Text message to parents;
- Information given to BBCNI (Radio Ulster)
- Posted on our school website

If the school should have to close due to unforeseen worsening conditions during the day parents will receive a text message and information will be sent to broadcast on local media for parents to collect children.

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### Lost Property

Every week we find school jumpers, jackets, PE gear etc that have been left behind by pupils. Even though we send clothes around the classes many items are left unclaimed. We would ask parents to please ensure that all clothes have the child's name written on the label.

finalised our new ECO Code which will be given to all classes to display in their rooms.

### Cancer Focus NI Visit

It's important for our children to make healthy choices from a very early age. Cancer Focus NI visited the school and gave us a fun day of healthy activities which are designed to improve knowledge of health and to encourage pupils to make positive lifestyle choices.

Genevieve, the healthy goat, visited the P1 and P2 children. They enjoyed an interactive storytelling of 'Genevieve and the Farmyard Olympics.'

P3 and 4 classes took part in Fit Factor and P6 and P7 in Smokebusters.

P5 missed out this time but will get a visit later on in the school year when the sun comes out! Their focus will be on Sun Safety.

### Upcoming Holidays

The school will be close for mid-term break on the 16<sup>th</sup> of February and will reopen on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February.



The school will be closed on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> of March for St. Patrick's day.



### Eco Schools Committee

#### Eco updates

The new ECO committee has been busy. They have completed the ECO Schools Environmental Review by asking Mr Culbert questions about our school and are now working towards our ECO School Targets. The Council has carried out a Litter audit throughout the school and held a Power Down Day. They have also



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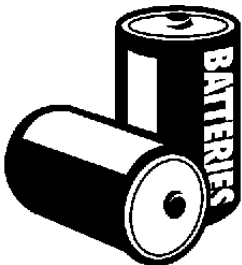
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### Anti-litter Themed Puppet Show

The P5s enjoyed a Litter Workshop organised by Belfast City Council last term. This Term the Belfast City Council's Anti-Litter Puppet Show will be visiting our P1 and P2s. Watch out for some photographs of the visit on the new ECO Council's area of the website.

### ECO Council Area on the School's Website

Mrs Rooney has made a special area on our school website for our ECO Council to share what they have been doing with the whole school and wider community. Please watch out for updates, photographs, action plans, minutes of ECO Council meetings and much much more!



### Recycling batteries

#### **Which batteries can we recycle?**

We are collecting mixed household waste batteries\*

The collection box is located outside Mr White's office.

- AAA and AA C and D cells
- Button batteries (e.g. watch or hearing aid batteries)
- Mobile phone batteries
- Laptop batteries

\*not industrial or automotive batteries.

### **Body and Mind**

P3MG and P3EA have been enjoying a 6 week Body and Mind PE Course. The children practice lots of their fundamental movement skills and learn about living a healthy lifestyle. It's been great fun so far and we are all really enjoying becoming a healthier year group.



### **Free App of the Month**

**KS1** Todo Maths  
**KS2** Stop the Clock



### **Right of the Month**

#### **Article 40:**

We have the right to be treated with respect and dignity.

#### **Rights Respecting Behaviour:**

**Children can:** We can respect each other's rights by treating others the way we would like to be treated and learning from our mistakes.

**Adults can:** Ensure that we have a clear set of class rules that are based on our Catholic identity; that rules are consistent and fair relating to our behaviour and school work

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