

# HOLY TRINITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## PARENTS NEWSLETTER

### NOVEMBER 2019

#### **EVENTS IN NOVEMBER**

28 October-1st November- Midterm break. School resumes as normal on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November Beam Creative Internet safety with P6s

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November- Children off to facilitate parent interviews.

#### **Halloween Dress Up Day**

All the children and staff of Holy Trinity enjoyed taking part in our Halloween Dress Up Day on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October, before we finished for Halloween. Everyone looked amazing in their costumes and we all had great fun on the day.

#### **Parent's Craft Morning**

Mrs Heffernan is hosting a Parent's Craft Morning in the sunshine room on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November from 9am to 10am.

The parents and sunshine pupils will have fun making Christmas Elves, playing board games and enjoy some sandwiches and tasty treats too.

#### **P3/LSC2 Trip to Pizza Express**

As part of the Instructional writing topic in this half term, the Primary Three children have had the fantastic opportunity of having a visit out of school to Pizza express on the Lisburn Road. Three P3 classes and LSC2 have done their trip in October and P3BH will visit after Halloween in November. The children arrived and the Manager went over some important cooking basics. Things like washing hands, and staying safe in the kitchen. Then the pizzaiolo (pizza chef) took over, showing us how to make a famous, Italian classic: the Margherita. Everyone got the chance to knead the dough, making it lovely and smooth,

to create the perfect base. This was then topped off with their famous passata (tomato) sauce and mozzarella. It took about half an hour, from kneading the dough to putting your pizza in the oven. While the pizzas were cooking in the giant pizza oven, everyone got involved in completing a fun packed activity sheets. The hot pizzas finally came out of the oven and we went back to school for lunch, along with our very own handmade pizza each. The aroma filled the P3 floor all afternoon making the others very hungry indeed!

It is a fantastic morning out and now that the children know the recipe, you now have your very own little pizza chefs at home!

#### **Explore Learning**

KS2 will have the unique experience this month to participate in practical, Explore Learning workshops. These are practical, classroom activities which develop the children's reasoning and problem solving skills. It gives them a chance to see maths in real life and allows them to independently apply their maths knowledge to new and unfamiliar situations. The workshop is aimed at encouraging the children to 'just give it a go!'. We are looking forward to it!

#### **Freddy Fitness - Mental Wealth Games**

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October, Freddy worked with our Primary Seven classes to develop our mental wellbeing. We worked together to help each other through different games and obstacle courses. Through this we learnt about the importance of having positive thoughts and the impact of a positive

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mind-set. Remember - it's ok to ask for help!

**Professor Fluffy**

On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October, Professor Fluffy visited Primary Seven to tell us all about life at Queen's University. We learnt all about the many different subjects, clubs and societies and had a look at some photographs of the accommodation and new Student's Union. The classroom and lectures halls looked inviting. We cannot wait to visit Queen's next year.

**Right of the Month**

**Article 31**

We have the right to have time to relax and play.

**Rights Respecting Behaviour**

We can respect each others' rights by allowing everyone to make their own choices, as long as their activities do not stop anyone else from playing.

**PARENTS ARE REMINDED THAT CHILDREN ARE NOT PERMITTED TO BRING MOBILE PHONES, IPODS, PSP PLAYERS ETC INTO SCHOOL AT ANY TIME.**

**ICT News**

**eSafety Code for November**

Blast off to Cyberbullying!

**Education City**

We are delighted to have purchased Education City for the school this year. Every child in the school has their own login to access this.

[www.educationcity.com](http://www.educationcity.com)

**Bug Club**

P1-P4 children all have access to our interactive reading books. When they log on they will have access to their own eBooks and can take part in quizzes and spend their rewards in the Treehouse or Skate Shop.

[www.activelearnprimary.co.uk](http://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk)

**Allstate Cyber Security Workshops**

We were delighted to have Allstate visit our Primary 5s, and LSC 3 &4 children. All sessions focused on three main internet safety topics:

**FRIEND OR PRETEND**

Teaching children that strangers they talk to online are not real friends and signs that someone could be acting suspiciously.

**BEWARE WHAT YOU SHARE**

A discussion around the importance of thinking about what you share online, and the dangers of sharing information.

**DON'T BE MEAN ON SCREEN**

Children engage in an activity about cyber-bullying and how they should think about what they say before posting it online.

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Check out their tips for parents at this  
link

[https://www.allstate.com/cybersafetyf  
orkids/parent-tips.aspx](https://www.allstate.com/cybersafetyforkids/parent-tips.aspx)

We use our Cyber Safety  
Friends - Sid, Sophie and  
Scruff - to help us learn  
about these important  
topics. Throughout the  
session we reinforce the  
message to:

**STOP** 

What you're doing if it  
doesn't feel right

**THINK** 

About what the right thing  
to do is

**TELL**  A

parent, teacher or trusted  
adult if you're unsure or  
uncomfortable