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Dear Parents, Carers and family members,

Welcome back to the new school year. It has been a pleasure to see our children back in school today – full of smiles and ready to learn, as always. Please find below some “news” and information that needs to be shared before the publication of our monthly newsletter.

## 2019 outcomes

We are delighted with our 2019 outcomes which show improvements from 2018 school outcomes in twelve areas:

YR Good Level of Development	Y1 Phonics	Expected Standard					Greater Depth					
		Reading	Writing	GPS	Maths	RWM	Reading	Writing	GPS	Maths	RWM	
		KS1	73%	66%	71%	58%	24%	17%	19%	13%	13%	
73%	88%	KS2	70%	83%	87%	73%	63%	25%	25%	40%	22%	15%

## Nursery news

Unfortunately the work on transforming the IT room on our Rosehill site did not start as anticipated during the summer break. The company who planned the work were informed that the proposed works to the school would require a planning application. The area of proposed soft surfacing is on land designated ‘allocated playing field’ so Sport England need to give permission for a surface to be applied. A planning application has now been submitted by the company. We have been informed the target date for a decision is October 4th although the authority will be also awaiting Sport England’s response. Therefore our nursery will continue to operate in the stand alone building until further notice and will open, as planned, on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September.

We are hugely disappointed that this work has not taken place. We will share further updates when we receive them.

## Mrs Tomlinson – Deputy Head Teacher

Mrs Tomlinson will be leaving our school at the end of this term after fourteen years of dedicated service to our children and families. Mrs Tomlinson will be sadly missed. Our Governing Body is currently advertising for a Deputy Head Teacher – we will keep you informed regarding this appointment.

## Earrings

A number of children have returned to school today wearing earrings. Our Uniform Policy

[www.holytrinityrosehill.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/HTR-Uniform-Policy.pdf](http://www.holytrinityrosehill.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/HTR-Uniform-Policy.pdf) page 2 states :

*For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery.*

It is the responsibility of parents/carers to ensure earrings are covered with tape every day if your child has had their ears pierced over the summer - tape will not be provided for children to cover their ears and school will not accept any responsibility for accidents with regards to earrings. Please make a note in your child’s contact book of the date when your children can remove their earrings – ie 6 weeks after they were pierced.

Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring our children are safe in school.

## Dinner money

When sending dinner money into school please remember to put the money into an envelope and clearly write your child’s name and class on the envelope. Your child can hand dinner money to their class teacher who will ensure it is sent to our school office. Please ensure dinner money is paid on a Monday so that staff do not have to “chase up” late payments.

### Term dates

Please find below a copy of our term dates for this year – please bear these in mind when booking family holidays. Our Attendance Policy (available on our web site [www.holytrinityrosehill.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/HT-Attendance-Policy-1.pdf](http://www.holytrinityrosehill.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/HT-Attendance-Policy-1.pdf)) states that parents/carers may face a Fixed Penalty Notice from Stockton LA if children are absent for more than 5 days due to holidays in term time.

### Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council School Term and Holiday Dates - Academic Year 2019-2020

AUGUST 2019					SEPTEMBER 2019					OCTOBER 2019					NOVEMBER 2019						
Monday		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25
Tuesday		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26
Wednesday		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27
Thursday	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28
Friday	2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29
Saturday	3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30
Sunday	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	
DECEMBER 2019					JANUARY 2020					FEBRUARY 2020					MARCH 2020						
Monday	2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		2	9	16	23	30
Tuesday	3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		3	10	17	24	31
Wednesday	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		4	11	18	25	
Thursday	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		5	12	19	26	
Friday	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		6	13	20	27	
Saturday	7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		7	14	21	28	
Sunday	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23		1	8	15	22	29
APRIL 2020					MAY 2020					JUNE 2020					JULY 2020						
Monday	6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27	
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Blue shaded areas denote holiday dates  
Grey indicates Bank Holidays

The number of term days is 195 days. Up to 5 of these days will be used as Professional Development Days for teachers, pupils will not attend on these days. Each school determines when these take place and will inform parents.

### PDDays (school is **closed** for children):

- Monday 2nd September
- Monday 6th January
- Friday 22nd May
- Monday 1st June
- Monday 20th July

As always, if you need to contact school regarding any queries, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher in the first instance – contact books are the best way of doing this. We will reply to your query as soon as possible. From time to time parents/carers ask for immediate contact to be made but please bear with us as this is sometimes not possible. We aim to get in touch within 48 hours and will, as always, prioritise safeguarding concerns. Within the context of Christian belief and practice, our school embraces Christian values which will continue to underpin all the work we do. Thank you for your continued commitment and support towards the staff and children of our school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Andrea Swift

Head Teacher

**Head Teacher: Mrs A Swift**  
**Chair of Governors: Mrs C Himsworth**