



September 2018 newsletter

Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you Matthew 7:7

We have had a wonderful start to the new school year! Our children have worked so hard this month and risen to lots of new challenges. Our Year 4, 5 and 6 children particularly enjoyed welcoming parents/carers into school during their "Open Mornings" - these mornings provide a great opportunity to get an insight into our curriculum and how you can support your child at home and we have had some wonderful feedback about the sessions. Due to the size of our classrooms we request that only one adult attends – thank you.

On Wednesday our children took part in the European Day of Languages www.edl.ecml.at. Throughout Europe, 800 million Europeans are represented in the Council of Europe's 47 member states and all are encouraged to discover more languages at any age, as part of or alongside their studies. This stems from the Council of Europe's conviction that linguistic diversity is a tool for achieving greater intercultural understanding and a key element in the rich cultural heritage of our continent.

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 or our school office. We will reply to your query as soon as possible. I know that some 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.
Mrs A Swift Head Teacher

Autumn Term 2018 – dates for your diary	
October Tuesday 2 nd	Y3 Open Morning 9-9.30a.m.
Thursday 4 th	Lavender class worship
Friday 5th	School Photographs NEW DATE
Wednesday 10 th	Y6 SATS meeting for parents/carers
Thursday 11 th	In class worship
Friday 12 th	Harvest Festival (Y3 lead)
Tuesday 16 th	Y1 Open Morning
Thursday 18 th	Tangerine class worship
Thursday 18 th	YR and Y1/2 Discos
Friday 19 th	Show racism the red card day (optional wear red)
Tuesday 23rd	YR Open Morning 9-9.30a.m. DATE CHANGE
Thursday 25 th	Fair Trade biscuit sale
Thursday 25 th	Y3/4 and Y5/6 Discos
Friday 26 th	Non-uniform day
Friday 26 th	School closes for half-term
November Tuesday 6 th	Y2 Open Morning 9-9.30a.m. NEW DATE
Thursday 8 th	Moonstone class worship
Friday 9 th	"We are mathematicians"
Friday 9th	Operation Christmas Child boxes deadline
Tuesday 13 th	Consultation Meetings for parents/carers
Thursday 15 th	Consultation Meetings for parents/carers
Thursday 22 nd	Azure class worship
December 2018 w.b. 3 rd	Book Fair in school
Thursday 6 th	Indigo class worship
Tuesday 11 th	YN performance 10 a.m. and 2 p.m
Wednesday 12 th	LKS2 performance 2p.m. and 5 p.m.
Friday 14 th	YR performance 10 a.m. and 2 p.m
Thursday 20 th	Fair Trade biscuit sale
Thursday 20 th	Carols in the playground
Friday 21 st	Non uniform day
Friday 21 st	Carols in church
Friday 21 st	School closes for Christmas

House Teams

Our children are now working in House Teams to earn "House Points". Children voted on the theme for House Team names and animals was the most popular option. Our four House Teams are:

Tigers	Pandas
Whales	Rhinos

Open Mornings

Please note that our YR Open Morning has changed to **Tuesday 23rd October**. We have also planned an Open Morning for Year 2 which will take place on **Tuesday 6th November**

Safeguarding updates

If your child has a minor head injury a text message will now be sent rather than a phone call. The text will read along the lines of:
"**** obtained a minor head injury at school, they have been checked by a 1st aider. A slip can be found in their bag, please monitor this evening". Please be assured we will still contact parents/carers if a more serious head injury occurs.

Collecting children from school Please remember to write a message in your child's contact book if someone different to the normal adult will be collecting your child after school. Thank you.

Safeguarding our children is everyone's responsibility

Attendance Report

Please find below attendance for September for every class in school. It is so important that your child is in school every day. This month 9 classes have attendance over 96% and congratulations to Yellow class who have the highest attendance in September with an amazing 99.5%.

	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	% Attend
FS1 Rainbow AM	4.3	2.8	92.9
FS1 Rainbow PM	3.1	4.9	92.0
FS2 Blue	1.5	3.3	95.2
FS2 Yellow	0.5	0.0	99.5
Y1 Red	2.0	0.3	97.7
Y1 Green	0.6	3.9	95.6
Y2 Orange	1.3	0.6	98.1
Y2 Purple	0.1	0.7	99.2
Y3 Crimson	1.3	1.1	97.6
Y3 Emerald	1.2	0.1	98.7
Y4 Azure	1.7	1.9	96.4
Y4 Indigo	2.0	1.9	96.1
Y5 Tangerine	1.9	2.5	95.6
Y5 Moonstone	1.9	0.1	98.1
Y6 Lavender	4.3	2.4	93.3
Y6 Magenta	1.6	2.9	95.6
Totals	1.7	1.6	96.7

A reminder that we expect parents and carers to ring school by 9.30 a.m. on the first day of absence – if we do not receive this phone call we will follow our school procedure to ensure children are safe. Please remember if your child is absent for 5 days due to an unauthorised absence that parents will be referred for a Fixed Penalty Notice according to our Attendance Policy. Please bear this in mind when booking holidays. As a school we do not receive a financial reward for these referrals – our Governing Body want to improve attendance in school as it was identified as an Area for Improvement from OfSTED.

Mrs Swift

Did you know there are 175 non-school days a year?

175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and other appointments

190 School days in each school year	10 days absence 180 days of education	19 days absence 171 days of education	29 days absence – a half term of absence 161 days of education	38 days absence 152 days of education	47 days absence 142 days of education
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
Excellent Best chance of success	Good	Worrying Less chance of success Makes it harder for your child to make progress		Serious concern Not fair on your child Makes it incredibly difficult to make progress	

PE and Sport news

Welcome back everyone! I hope you have had a lovely Summer. We have lots of competitions coming up; KS2 Cross Country, Y4 Football and Y4 Tag Rugby. I would like to wish all children who are attending these events the best of luck. Lunchtime and after school clubs have started and all children are having lots of fun.

Reminder: Y5/6 Swimming will be starting next week if you received a letter.

Mrs Atkinson – PE and Sport Leader

Stockton International Riverside Festival

Congratulations to our wonderful children who took part in the parade as part of the Stockton International Riverside Festival. You were great ambassadors for our school and made us all very proud.



Watches

If your child wishes to wear a watch to school we encourage them to wear an analogue watch as this is an effective way for children to learn to tell the time. Please do not send your child into school with a watch that contains apps etc. as not only do such watches carry a safeguarding concern they can often be expensive to replace if they are damaged or lost. Thank you for your cooperation.

First Aid – Plasters

To enable our First Aiders to treat minor cuts and scrapes we would like to apply plasters to children whenever we deem it appropriate. Therefore we would be grateful if parents/carers can inform school if their child/children are not allowed plasters on if needed at school. Arrangements can then be made for this information to be passed onto First Aiders.

Left to their own devices

Please find below details of a session for parents/carers to support e-safety.



We have also been sent a copy of the book

Please contact our Trinity office if you would like to borrow the book.

Well-being and Mental Health - Action for Happiness.

We are pleased to share that our school is preparing to deliver a new series of lessons as part of the PSHE curriculum to improve wellbeing in primary aged children. The programme involves an assembly, followed by 10 lessons, each focusing on a 'Key' to Happier Living.



Further information can be found here www.actionforhappiness.org

First Aid training -Y6

Last week our Y6 children took part in First Aid training delivered by the British Red Cross. I received a lovely email from Emily who led the course: *I am just emailing to send over the first aid certificate for the year 6 pupils I taught this week. Both classes were extremely polite, welcoming and well behaved. It was a real pleasure to come to the school!* Emily Hopper Youth Education Coordinator, Tees Valley British Red Cross

Well done Year 6! You are a credit to our school and your parents/carers. Mrs Swift

Show Racism the Red Card

On Friday 19th October we will be looking at the issues of racism and prejudice through the work of the charity Show Racism the Red card. On the day we invite children to wear red – this is optional – please do not purchase something red to wear on this day.

Non-uniform day

On Friday 26th October we will be having an optional non-uniform day. We ask for a voluntary contribution of £1 if your child chooses not to wear uniform – this money will be donated to the Samaritan’s Purse charity to pay for postage for our Shoe Boxes – see letter in Whole School letters on website. Any remaining money will be put into our Special Fund.

Bright Minds Big Futures

The Bright Minds Big Futures initiative (launched earlier this year by Stockton LA) was established to ensure that children and young people are at the heart of the future of the Borough and to understand what young people want from their perspective to make this happen. Our ambition is to make the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees a place which is both great to grow up and a place which will also create the right conditions for our young people to be successful and have a big future. <https://www.stockton.gov.uk/bmbf>

We launched a short survey in March, from which the findings will be used by BMBF reps (young people) working with the council to create a 'Big Plan' later this year. This is part of exciting new developments supporting the ever growing movement of young people wanting to have their voices heard and have a bigger say in their community.

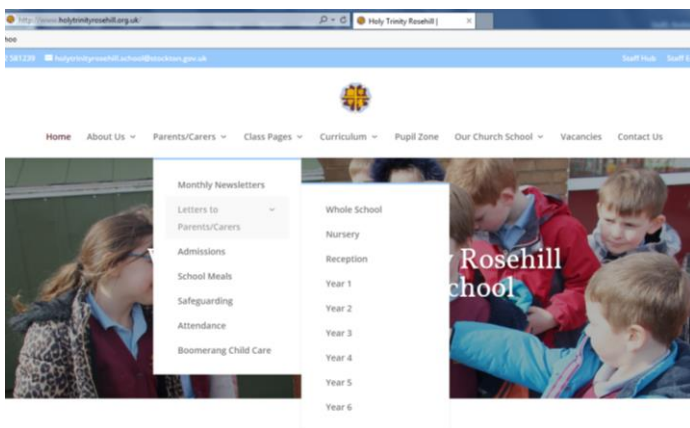
In order to get views from all communities across the Borough we need your support to encourage more young people to complete the survey. It only takes a few minutes and can be completed on a mobile, tablet, laptop or PC. This is a great opportunity for the young residents of our Borough to have their say and influence over what we doing going forward. The survey can be found through this link [survey](#).



Guidance regarding Universal Credit has been emailed to parents/carers along with this month's newsletter. This information has also been placed onto our School Website in the whole school letters section.

Website improvements

We have recently made a number of changes to our website. These include developing the content in Our Church School section, adding letters to our Parents/Carers section (following a suggestion from a parent) and updating our Curriculum Maps for this academic year. If you have suggestions for ways to further improve our website we would be interested in hearing from you.



Love God, Love Learning, Love Each Other

The staff, pupils and governors of Holy Trinity Rosehill (VA) C.E. Primary School wish to extend their warmest of welcomes to you. Whatever your reason for visiting our website, whether you are a pupil, a former pupil, current or prospective parent, or potential member of staff, we sincerely hope that you find the site informative.

We would very much appreciate any feedback on our website or suggestions for new features which parents and pupils would like to see.

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Please bring packed shoes boxes into school by Friday 9th November

ORDER RESOURCES

HOW TO PACK A SHOEBOX

THE JOURNEY OF A SHOEBOX

Project Leader Resources >

Project Donation - Why £5? >

What Goes in My Shoebox? >

Harvest Festival

Year 3 will be leading the Harvest Festival on Friday 12th October at 2:15pm. Year 3 parents/carers are invited to join us in our Harvest celebrations. In partnership with the Church we will be collecting non-perishable food to donate to Stockton Food Bank. We would be extremely grateful of any donations. If you would like to donate please send donations into school with your child. Thank you for your support.

Miss Kelsey and Mrs Atkinson

- Milk (U.H.T or powdered)
- Sugar
- Fruit Juice (Carton)
- Soup
- Pasta Sauces
- Sponge Puddings (Tinned)
- Tomatoes (Tinned)
- Cereals
- Rice Pudding (Tinned)
- Snack Bars • Tea Bags
- Instant Coffee
- Instant Mash Potato
- Rice
- Pasta
- Tinned Meat/Fish
- Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Fruit
- Jam
- Biscuits

Pre-loved uniform

Please send any pre-loved (i.e. previously worn) uniform into school (that your child no longer needs) with your child or in person to our school offices. This can then be passed onto children who need this uniform. Thank you.

Fencing

Please do not allow your child (ren) to climb on school fencing – this is for the safety of our children. Thank you.

Y6 SATs meeting for parents/carers

Please note this meeting will take place on Wednesday 10th October at 5 p.m. This will offer parents/carers the opportunity to learn more about SATs texts that Y6 take in the summer term. Please note this meeting is for parents/carers.

Safeguarding Policies

We have recently updated our Child Protection and Peer on Peer Abuse policy in line with the new Keeping Children Safe in Education document. These polices have been adopted by our Governing Body. A copy of our Child Protection policy can be found on our website. www.holytrinityrosehill.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/HTR-Child-Protection-Policy-September-2018.pdf Copies of other policies can be obtained from our school office.

We have been asked by a parent/carer to share information about the Blue for Jackson Charity.

www.blueforjackson.com

Parking Pal



The simple idea is using a brightly coloured magnetic disk which attaches to your car, giving your child a visual aid to stand safely next to the car while in the dangerous surroundings of a car park.

Why is it needed? Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles or whoever is caring for a child, can be easily distracted whether it be loading or unloading shopping, rifling for keys, sorting out the baby or helping elderly parents can take precious attention away from our children leaving them vulnerable to a number of dangerous situations.

Other drivers maybe cant see them when backing out of a space, they could be distracted by a mobile phone or the child could be in a blind spot. And children, well they don't always do as they are told or stay where they should. It only takes a second for tragedy to strike as we well know.

Hello

This page is dedicated our son Jackson John Yates who sadly died Aug 2017 in a car park accident. To keep his memory alive and prevent the same tragedy happening again we are promoting road safety for young children and parents.

All in memory of our superhero



Jackson

Registered Charity number 1179152

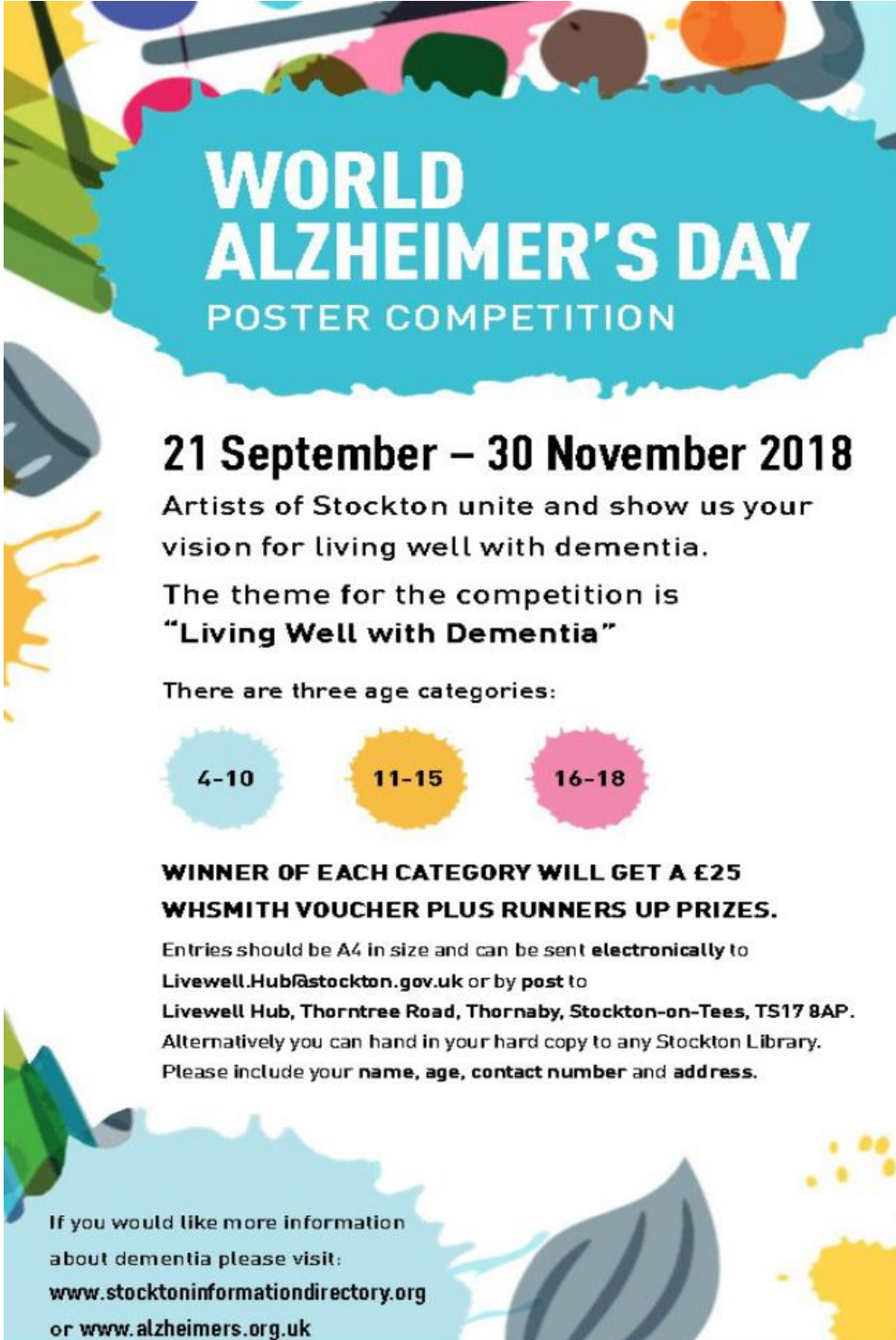
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The poster features a vibrant, abstract background with splashes of color including blue, green, yellow, and pink. At the top, a large blue brushstroke contains the title in white. Below this, the dates are in bold black text. The theme is highlighted in a pink brushstroke. Three colored circles represent the age categories. The prize information is in bold black text. Entry details are in a smaller black font. At the bottom, contact information is provided in a light blue brushstroke.

WORLD ALZHEIMER'S DAY POSTER COMPETITION

21 September – 30 November 2018

Artists of Stockton unite and show us your vision for living well with dementia.

The theme for the competition is
"Living Well with Dementia"

There are three age categories:

- 4-10
- 11-15
- 16-18

WINNER OF EACH CATEGORY WILL GET A £25 WHSMITH VOUCHER PLUS RUNNERS UP PRIZES.

Entries should be A4 in size and can be sent **electronically** to Livewell.Hub@stockton.gov.uk or by **post** to **Livewell Hub, Thorntree Road, Thornaby, Stockton-on-Tees, TS17 8AP.** Alternatively you can hand in your hard copy to any Stockton Library. Please include your **name, age, contact number** and **address.**

If you would like more information about dementia please visit:
www.stocktoninformationdirectory.org
or www.alzheimers.org.uk

Winners will be notified by the end of December 2018. Winning posters will be displayed widely around Stockton-on-Tees