



Holy Trinity Rosehill

Church of England (V.A.) Primary School

Providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice.

Head Teacher: Mrs A. Swift

Chair of Governors: Mrs C Himsworth

October 2018 newsletter

“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these” Mark 10:14

We have had a wonderful month here in school! Our children have, as always, been amazing – their smiles, honesty and kindness never fail to amaze me on a daily basis. Thank you to parents/carers and family members who have supported us with events since our last newsletter – MacMillan Coffee Afternoon, Open Mornings, Y6 SATs meetings – it is so reassuring to know that we are working in partnership for the needs of our children.

As the nights draw in and the autumn days get shorter it is only right that we consider the safety of our children walking to and from school unaccompanied by an adult. We strongly advise that children, if unaccompanied an adult, walk to and from school with a group of friends. Please remind children to stay vigilant and if they see something that concerns them remind them to speak to a member of staff when they arrive at school or an adult when they get home.

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.

I hope you and your family have a lovely half-term break.

Mrs A Swift Head Teacher

Autumn Term 2018 – dates for your diary	
Friday 26 th	School closes for half-term
November Tuesday 6th	Y2 Open Morning 9-9.30a.m. NEW DATE
Wednesday 7 th	FOHTR (Friends of HTR) meeting 3.3.0p.m. Trinity site NEW EVENT
Thursday 8 th	Moonstone class worship
Thursday 8 th	Governor Development Day
Friday 9 th	“We are mathematicians” including display of work for parents/carers 2.45 p.m. - see below
Friday 9th	Operation Christmas Child boxes deadline
w.b. 12th	Inter Faith week NEW EVENT
Tuesday 13 th	Consultation Meetings for parents/carers
Thursday 15 th	Consultation Meetings for parents/carers
Wednesday 21st	Road Safety awareness day NEW EVENT
Thursday 22 nd	Azure class worship
Tuesday 27th	Family Photo night – see below NEW EVENT
Friday 30th November	FOHTR (Friends of HTR) Christmas Fair Rosehill site
December 2018	Book Fair in school
w.b. 3 rd	
Thursday 6 th	Indigo class worship
Friday 7th	Early Years (YN&YR) Reindeer Walk NEW EVENT
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

Safeguarding updates

Please remember to share any safeguarding concerns you have. Concerns can be shared with school staff or by calling 101 if it is an out of school concern. If you suspect a child or an adult is at immediate danger please ring 999 for help.

Photographs of children on Social Media

We are currently reviewing information returned on GDPR forms regarding photographic consent. Unfortunately we are still waiting for a number of forms to be returned. We apologise if your child has appeared on one of our Social Media platforms and you do not consent to this. Please contact school if this happens and we will add this information to our records.

We understand that some parents/carers and family members find it frustrating that we do not allow photos of children to be taken at school events however this procedure is in place to safeguard our children. Mrs Swift
Safeguarding our children is everyone’s responsibility

We are mathematicians – Friday 9th November

Parents/carers are invited to see their child’s work from 2.45p.m. Parents/carers on both sites are kindly requested to wait on our yard until a member of staff invites you into school. We are looking forward to welcoming you into school for this activity.

Would you like more staff in your child’s class to help and support your child? Would you like to see our school better resourced?

We can only do this with more money. We hope to gain more funding from Pupil Premium allocations as unfortunately, at present, only a small percentage of our children are signed up to receive Pupil Premium. We believe this is due to the fact that children who are in Reception/Year 1/2 get a free school meal (through Universal Free School meals) so parents/carers do not apply for Free School Meals. It still does matter - it matters to us, our school and it matters to your child. Please sign up.

To apply for free school meals please visit www.stockton.gov.uk/children-and-young-people/schools/school-meals If your child is eligible/not eligible you will receive an instant notification informing you of the decision. For eligible cases free school meals will be awarded from the day following receipt of your application. Please inform us if you are successful then we can request Pupil Premium funding.

Consultation meetings for parents/carers

We will send out the text to book your appointment after the half-term break. Please note Miss Goodchild’s (YR Yellow class) appointments have been postponed until Miss Goodchild returns to work. Mrs Galloway will be holding her consultation meetings over four evenings rather than two.

Poppy appeal

Starting on Monday 5th November we will be selling poppy merchandise on behalf of the British Legion as part of their annual Poppy Appeal.



Items include: friendship bands £1, wristbands 50p, reflector keyrings 50p, snap bands 50p. These items will be sold to children during the week – please bring money into school in a sealed envelope with your child’s name which will be kept by class teachers until needed. Poppies will be available from both school sites for parents/carers and family members.

Poppy Stones

As part of the Centenary of the First World War all of our KS2 children are going to be given the opportunity to paint a poppy on a pebble. These will be displayed outside of church on Tuesday 13th November. Poppy stones will then come home with children. Our EY and KS1 children are going to use their stones to make a permanent structure which will be on display on our Rosehill site.

A huge thank you to David Anderson (Managing Director) of Joseph Parr (Middlesbrough) Ltd who kindly donated the pebbles for our children to paint on.

Attendance Report

Please find below attendance for October. It is so important that your child is in school every day. This month 11 classes have attendance over 96% (two more classes than last month) and congratulations to Y2 Purple class who have the highest attendance in October with an amazing 99%.

Class	Authorised Educational Activity	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	% Attendance
FS2 Blue	0.0	7.8	1.5	90.7
FS2 Yellow	0.0	2.4	1.2	96.4
Y1 Red	0.0	2.6	0.1	97.2
Y1 Green	0.0	1.4	2.3	96.3
Y2 Orange	0.0	2.3	0.9	96.8
Y2 Purple	0.0	0.6	0.4	99.0
Y3 Crimson	0.0	1.3	0.5	98.2
Y3 Emerald	0.0	2.2	0.8	97.0
Y4 Azure	0.9	1.5	1.4	97.1
Y4 Indigo	1.3	2.2	0.9	96.9
Y5 Tangerine	0.6	2.7	2.3	95.0
Y5 Moonstone	0.5	1.8	0.2	98.0
Y6 Lavender	0.3	5.2	1.2	93.6
Y6 Magenta	0.5	1.5	1.4	97.0
Totals	0.3	2.4	1.1	96.5

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. Leave of Absence is only granted in “exceptional circumstances” - the cost of a holiday or a family holiday are not deemed to be exceptional circumstances.

Performances

A reminder that we have decided to spread our performances across the year to maximise learning time for our children and to ensure that parents/carers have the opportunity to attend as many events as possible. Parents, carers and family members can be assured that we will continue to teach our children about the themes of Christmas and this will continue to be an important time our school year.

December 2018	
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
July 2019	
Wednesday 3 rd	KS1 performance 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.
Wednesday 10 th	Y5/6 performance 2 p.m. and 5 p.m.

BBC Supermovers

Our Y3 children shared this resource during their recent Open Morning.

www.bbc.co.uk/sport/football/supermovers

Supermovers is part of Premier League Primary Stars with fantastic resources to allow children to actively learn. Our children in year 3 really like the times tables songs led by Cyril the Swan from Swansea City A.F.C

E-safety

Parents/carers might like to view resources published by Vodafone to support keeping children safe on line

www.vodafone.com/content/digital-parenting/parents-and-carers.html

Balance bikes

Do you have a balance bike that your child has outgrown? If yes, please can we request that you donate the balance bike to our Early Years team. We are working hard to improve the balance of children and to introduce cycling to our youngest learners - we would greatly appreciate any donations of balance bikes. If you are aware of any companies who would like to fund 12 balance bikes please let us know. Thank you

School Brochure 2018-2019

Our new School Brochure is now available on our website.

www.holytrinityrosehill.org.uk/our-school-brochure



**2018-2019
School Brochure**

friendship, trust, hope

Teesmouth Bird Club

A huge thank you to volunteers from Teesmouth Bird Club for putting up the bird feeding station on Rosehill site and also donating the feeders and bird baths which we have on site and in Nursery.

Mrs Brennan reports “It was hard work digging and it was a very hot day but a good time was had by the volunteers (most of who are retired people).”

Thank you



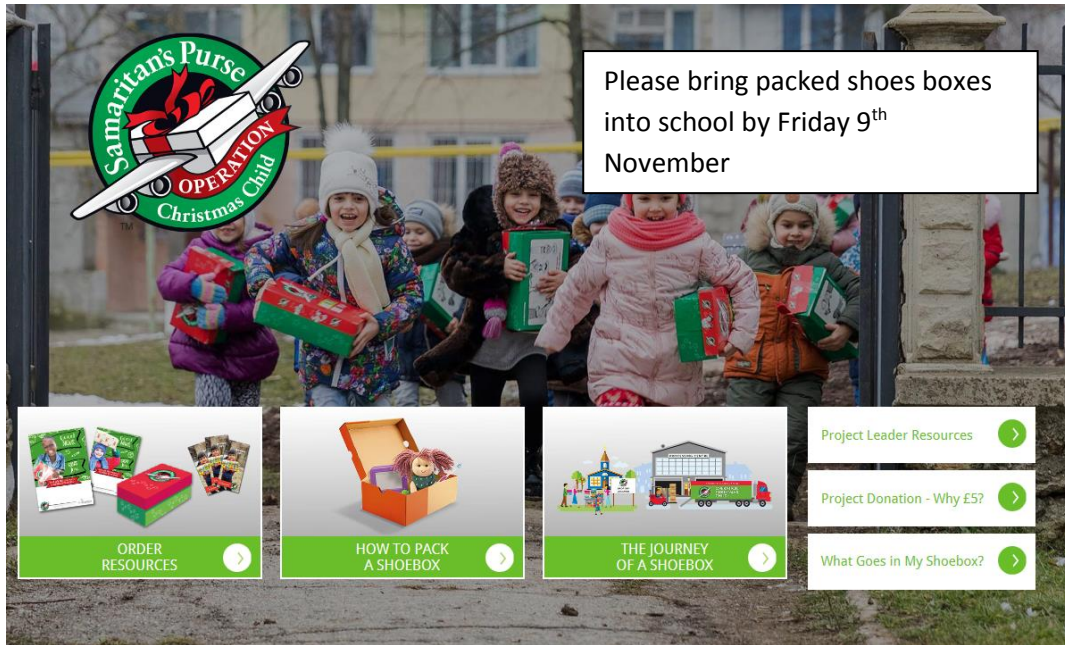
Hello from the Friends of Holy Trinity Rosehill School

We are very excited to let you know we now have our own Facebook page www.facebook.com/FOHTRS .

We will be using the Facebook page to keep parents/carers updated and any events and meetings we will be holding in school. This page is going to help us raise vital funds we need to help our children in school, so please like and share our page. Many thanks

A message from Holy Trinity with St Marks church

We would like to invite parents, carers, family members and children to our All Age Worship with Junior Church which happens on the second Sunday in each month. You would receive a friendly welcome and are sure to recognise some faces. We look forward to seeing you.



Please bring packed shoe 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?

Thank you very much to everyone who has sent a shoe box into school already and to those who are busy putting their gifts together at home. The charity will be collecting our boxes on 9th November so there is still time to put a box together over half term if you would like to. For more information please see the Samaritan's Purse website - Operation Christmas Child <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk>

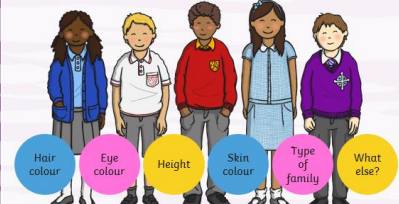
Show Racism the Red Card

On Friday 19th October we celebrated the charity “Show Racism the Red card”. Our children and staff were invited to wear red for the day - our children talked about how everyone is different and that racism is not acceptable. During lunchtime on Trinity site our children took part in a penalty shoot out organised by Miss Kelsey and our Team Captains. Tigers scored the most penalties and were awarded 4 points for their team.



What Things Make Us Different?

No two people are ever the same! Look around your classroom and think about different people you know. What makes you different from each other?



Social Media

We have recently become aware of some derogatory comments being made about the school and its procedures on Facebook. We fully appreciate the right to free speech but we would like to reiterate we are happy to discuss any concerns anyone may have regarding the school in person.

We would therefore encourage you to speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance in the event of any concerns you have in order to enable us to seek a constructive solution to any issues raised. Thank you for your cooperation Mrs Swift



News from our children

Blue Class YR made a Get Well card for a child who has had an operation then we all walked to the post box so we could send it to him.



We have a squirrel which visits Reception outside area every day. We feed it with squirrel food and apples and it hangs upside down to get to the food. We stand quietly by the window to watch it.

We really enjoyed watching Y3 perform the Harvest Festival in church.

Science in Year 5



In science we've been learning about forces. Recently, we've designed and made our own paper boats. We carried out an experiment to see how

long it took the boat to float from one end of the water tray to the other end. By doing this, we investigated water resistance. The boats that were streamlined, moved the quickest. Can you think why?

The following week, we've investigated friction. We had to design new brake pads for a bicycle. This was great fun as we could choose the material that we wanted to use. We had to test the material to see which material will stop the bicycle wheel the quickest. We had a fantastic time!
Beth and Maddie

Y6 Lavender Bikeability

Currently, we are doing level 2 Bikeability where we are learning how to ride our bikes safely on the roads. We have learnt all the different signs on the road and how to indicate when you're turning and how to go around cars and much more.

Y6 Lavenders trip to Sedgefield Racecourse

Y6 Lavender class went to Sedgefield Racecourse. We had lots of fun there for a maths day. We went into the jockeys' changing room and saw the different tack like the saddles and bridles. We learnt lots of facts, for example: the heavier the jockey is the smaller the saddle will be. We also got to watch the horses we also did a lot more. It was lots of fun we really enjoyed it!



By Tilly & Calum

Y3 Harvest Festival

Last Friday we did our Harvest Festival in front of the parents. It felt scary because we were singing It's Harvest Time, Let It Grow and Harvest Samba! We said words and we had to be loud because we performed in Church and there were lots of people.

Maddie and Roman, Year 3, Emerald Class

Our harvest celebration was great fun. We sang lots of fun songs. We gave food to give to Stockton food bank. We did lots of practice for our harvest festival. We sang harvest samba. We enjoyed the short drama. Harvest is a wonderful time. We wrote about Harvest. We loved harvest!

Daisy and Harry, Year 3, Crimson Class

It was fun when we sang let it grow. There was loads of food in the Harvest Festival. Everyone was loud and clear. Harvest is a time when we share food and be kind to each other. The other year groups and the parents came to the Harvest Festival. More than 100 people came to the harvest festival.

Alice and Benji, Year 3, Crimson Class

Last Friday it was year threes Harvest Festival and our parents came to watch us perform. We sang songs related to Harvest like Harvest Samba. We told a story of a rich man and a poor man and some people acted the story out. Harvest is about giving food to the poor because some people don't have a lot of food like us
Amna and Ryan, Year 3, Emerald Class

A huge thank you for all the donations we received which have been sent to Stockton and Billingham Food Bank



Yellow Class YR

We have been outside to collect leaves to make natural pictures and we found lots of twigs and golden leaves.

We have been learning new games during PE. We have been running, jumping and throwing bean bags.

Green Class Y1 have been learning lots of new songs. One of our favourites is Copy Cat. We love doing the actions! We have also been using the skipping ropes to practise our skipping as this is one of our class challenges this year.



We have enjoyed a visit from some of our Grown Ups on Tuesday 16th October. We were able say and write words using our sounds and play a Buried Treasure Game on Phonics Play. We really enjoyed watching Y3 perform the Harvest Festival in church. We especially enjoyed their singing, it was fantastic!

Azure Class news In Y4 Azure class this half term we have had the opportunity to continue with a 4 week block of recorder lessons. During these lessons we learned to play five notes - B A G C and D. We used these notes to play some tunes. These included, 'The Grand Old Duke of York, Mary had a Little Lamb and When the Saints Go Marching In. We thoroughly enjoyed making loud music.



Rainbow class - Nursery news

We have 3 squirrels that like to visit us in Rainbow Class. The children love watching their antics out of the window.



"We have a squirrel and it just climbs up the thing [bird feeder] and goes back down and eats the bird food. Silly squirrel. Oh! He fell off!"
- Fletcher O'Malley

In **Red Class** we have been collecting things for our nature table. Thank you very much to mums, dads, carers, grandmas, grandads and other adults who took us on walks and to the park so we could collect conkers, acorns, leaves and other interesting items. It was lots of fun and they all look great in the classroom!



This half term we have had dance lessons with Lucy from Dance Fuzion. We have had lots of fun and learned some great new moves!

Please can you help us?

One of our areas for improvement from our SIAMs (Church school) inspection was to invite members from other churches into school to lead worship. If you know of anyone who can help us with this we would be very grateful if you could contact us via our school offices – thank you for your continued support. Mrs Swift

MacMillan Coffee Afternoon

A big thank you to Sainsbury's, Tetley's and the Co-op for providing items for our coffee afternoon. The event was such a success that we are working with our (child-led) Fundraising Committee to plan another in the Spring Term. Watch this space.....



- Anything you notice can help a child at risk.
- We all have a role to play in protecting children and young people from child abuse and neglect.
- Many people do not act because they're worried about being wrong.
- You don't have to be absolutely certain; if you're concerned a child is being abused or their safety is at risk, speak to someone.
- Following these simple steps and reporting your concerns to your local council could provide the missing piece of information that is needed to keep a child safe.

Child abuse. If you think it, report it.

School Council 2018-2019

School Council.

- Our School Council meets every fortnight.
- Two children from every KS2 class represent their own class on the School Council.
- The children are elected to the School Council by their peers.
- They take whole school issues and ideas from their own class and feed them into the School Council.
- They also share ideas and decisions from School Council with their class.
- Decisions made within School Council can and do, have a real impact on the rest of the school.
- We choose our school council because they are great leaders - they listen to other children.
- If you have any ideas or suggestions please put your ideas in the School council suggestion box.

President/ Chair:

Responsible for representing the student body at all meetings. Develops and manages the meetings.

Connie



Vice President:

The vice president follows the duties of the president when the president is unable to fulfil her duties.

Freya



Treasurer:

Handles the funds and keeps financial records.

Liam and Owen



Head Teacher representatives:

Liaise with the Head teacher about things that is happening in school.

Theo and Maria



Secretary:

Keeps track of the minutes and handles all communication between the council members.

Maisie



Data collecting / Communication team.

Collecting information needed for surveys as well as feeding information through to the rest of the school.

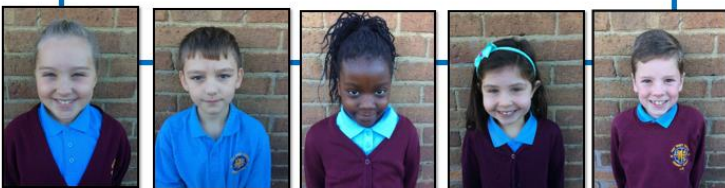
Will, Mia, Emily and Jack



Data collecting / Communication team.

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Darcey, Jaycee, Tianna, Sadie and Jake



This month our School Council have been discussing:

- Packed Lunch guidelines – this will be re-shared with children (see July newsletter for details)
- Children in Need - Friday 16th November. Biscuit Sale details to follow after half-term
- Replacing Golden Stars with Golden Stickers on Trinity site
- How to improve break times

Educational Psychologist Support for parents and carers

Our Educational Psychologist will be in school and is offering a drop in session for parents who are concerned about their child’s learning. Mrs Lawson, Educational Psychologist explains “This could be about literacy, or numeracy, anxiety or social difficulties or more general advice and guidance regarding special educational needs. This will be done on a confidential basis, so I will not work directly with your child but can offer advice and strategies to support with various aspects of learning. Please let school know if you would like to attend and on which date so we can accommodate enough time for each parent.”

22nd November 2-3.15pm

27th November 9-10am

17th January 2-3.15pm

22nd January 9-10am

I would strongly recommend that parents/carer take up this opportunity as not only there can often be a long waiting list to access a highly trained Educational Psychologist, there is a cost to accessing this provision. Please ring school to express your interest at attending one of the sessions. Please note session will take place on our Trinity site. Mrs Swift

The screenshot shows three Facebook posts from Holy Trinity Rosehill C.E. VA Primary School:

- Post 1 (12 October at 12:53):** "On Tuesday, Year 6 competed in a Tag Rugby Intra school competition. The final score was 1-0. Well done to all who were involved. Mrs Atkinson" (12 likes)
- Post 2 (11 October at 18:47):** "Thank you to all children who have been involved in various P.E. events over the last two weeks. Y4 attended a Tag Rugby Festival and a Football tournament. We also had 25 KS2 children go through to the Stockton Cross Country Finals! Well done to all children involved and thank you to all the staff who accompanied them. Mrs Atkinson" (25 likes, 1 share)
- Post 3 (3 October at 08:42):** "Good Luck to our Cross Country Finalists, who are competing today against other schools in Stockton. We are so proud of our 25 runners! Have lots of fun. Mrs Atkinson" (33 likes, 4 comments, 1 share)

PE and Sport news

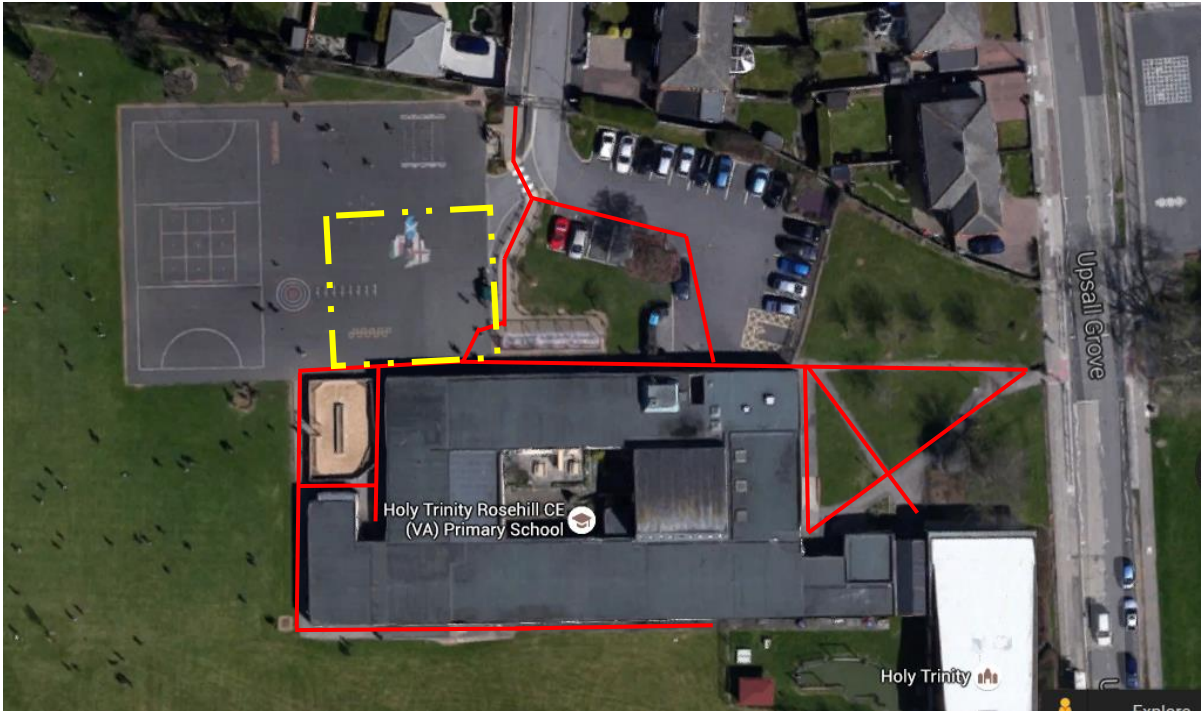
At the start of the month, we sent 25 runners to the Cross Country Finals! Sadly no- one got through to the Tees Valley stages however we are extremely proud of all 25 children who give it their best. Some Y5/6 children went swimming and received many certificates to celebrate their achievements. This term, all classes have been trying really hard to incorporate the daily mile into their daily routines. Even the teachers have been taking part! At the moment, teachers are trying hard to make lessons active. Y3 children enjoy chanting times tables to the Primary Leagues super movers videos daily.

Many of our sporting achievements are celebrated on our school Facebook page – see opposite.

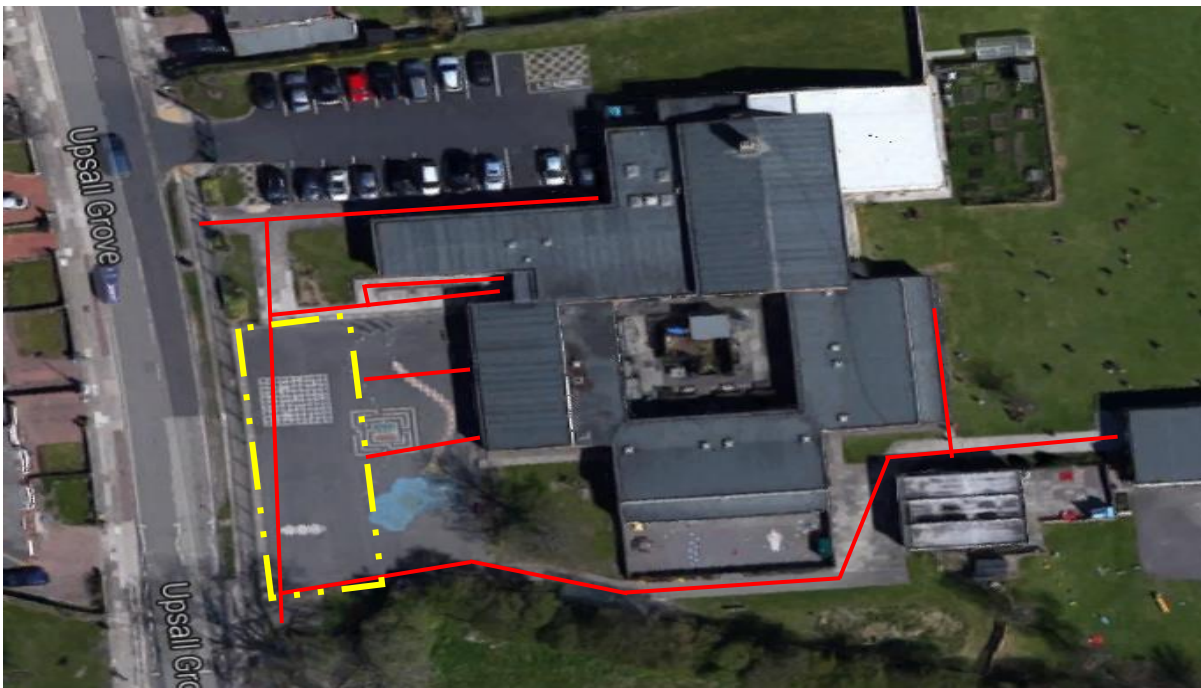
Have a lovely half term. Mrs Atkinson PE Subject Leader

Designated Gritted Routes

Trinity Site



Rosehill Site



— Designated Gritted Routes.

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Private Fostering

Are you looking after someone else's child?



If you care for someone else's child for 28 days or more this may be a Private Fostering Arrangement. If you answer "yes" to the criteria below, you may be a Private Foster Carer:

- Do you look after a child who is not closely related to you?
- Do they live with you?
- Is this a private arrangement between you and the child's parent?
- Is this a full time arrangement?
- Will it last for 28 days or more?

Private Foster Carers and parents must notify the Local Authority about the arrangement. Information, support and advice can then be offered.

For further information please contact:

☎ 01429 284284
✉ childrenshub@hartlepool.gov.uk



Children and Young People

Big plans for the young people of our Borough



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Chloe Daykin, Ross Montgomery,
Alan Windram,
Dominic Wilcox,
Simon Bartram
and **Liz Million.**

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Suitable for
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