



### A Message from Mrs Naffati

Our academic year is well under way, with the first half term complete and all the children settled their learning is once again really taking off! In all year groups Phonics and Reading from 9.00am is the most crucial part of the day, as without reading children to struggle to access any other learning - so well done to all those who get here on time for that vital start. We have lots of events both academic and social coming up this term; thank you to the huge number of parents who joined their child for reading workshops it was a massive success - we even struggled to fit everyone in some classes it was so well attended. We know not every parent can come in the school day but these are amazing opportunities for you to see what happens in the classroom (it is so different to how we all remember school). I look forward to seeing families over the coming months and I really do appreciate the support you give our school. Thank you.

### Harvest at Holy Trinity Church and Donations for New Invention Hive Food Bank

A huge thank you to everyone who donated to our Harvest Food bank appeal - as you all know we are advocates for our local community and as such we want to support our families the best we can. For us community is everything as we are all part of New Invention together. Your donations go a long way to helping every family and child to be fed.

It was also lovely to see so many people at Holy Trinity Church for our first ever Harvest Festival. It was so popular we will make sure next year we put on an extra date to make seeing your child perform much easier and spaces will be reserved for those parents who walk with us too.

### Our School Pantry

Just inside our front entrance to the school office we have opened our [own school pantry/mini food bank](#) donated by school staff. This has some essential food items, nappies of different sizes, women's sanitary products, some toiletries, toothbrushes and some donated toys. Anyone in our school community who needs these can take them - nothing is said to the office - just come in and take what you need. There are also carrier bags there too for you to take the goods you need away in.









### No Backpacks in School please










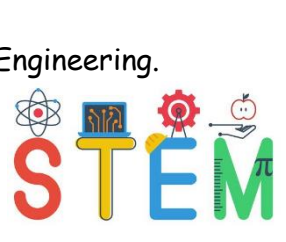



Just as a reminder to our communication at the end of July, we no longer have space for backpacks in school. All children **MUST** have a reading folder (book bag) instead and should carry their water bottle separately (so books are not damaged). **No other bag is needed.** Spare clothes should be in a pump bag and left in school on your child's peg. If any families have difficulties, please come to the school office. Reading folders can be purchased from Forever and Ever Crafts [facebook.com/foreverandevercrafts](https://www.facebook.com/foreverandevercrafts) which are personalised (one of our ex-parents is only continuing to produce products for our New Invention parents). **Clive Mark school wear shops** and [myclothing.com](https://www.myclothing.com) also produce generic ones with our school name and colour.

### Dressing for the Weather


As the weather is constantly changing at the moment please ensure your child has a coat and clothing suitable for unexpected rain and cold every day.

## Forthcoming Events

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<p style="color: red;"><b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November</b> <u>Nursery</u></p> 	<p style="color: red;"><b>Let's Learn Together - Communication and Language 10-11am or 2-3pm</b></p> <p>Come in and join Mrs Davis for a session <b>with your child</b>. Find out how we teach communication, encourage language and ways you can support your child in this too. Bumblebee class parents/carers should attend the relevant AM or PM session. Caterpillar and Ladybird class parents/carers can attend either session. Please sign in at the office.</p>																				
<p style="color: red;"><b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November</b> <u>Year 1</u></p>	<p style="color: red;"><b>Victorian Dress-up Day</b></p> <p>Year 1 children are invited to come to school in Victorian-themed outfits or fancy dress! Children will enjoy a range of activities during the school day related to the 'Old Fashioned Toys' aspect of their topic.</p>																				
<p style="color: red;"><b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November</b> <u>Whole School</u> <b>Anti-Bullying Week</b></p>	<p style="color: red;"><b>Odd Socks for Inclusion Day</b></p> <p>Feel free to send your child in all those socks that simply don't make a pair! We are celebrating everyone's differences today.</p> 																				
<p style="color: red;"><b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November</b> <u>Whole School</u></p>	<p style="color: red;"><b>Remembrance Day</b></p> <p>We will be marking this day with a minute silence at 11am. Children will also watch the 'Poppies' animation video from Cbeebies too. <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b04p4zsl/poppies">https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b04p4zsl/poppies</a></p> 																				
<p style="color: red;"><b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November</b> <u>Whole School</u></p>	<p style="color: red;"><b>Children in Need</b> we invite all our children to come to school</p> <p style="color: red;"><b>Spotacular</b> for an amazing day of <b>challenges</b> in support of BBC Children in Need. If you have Pudsey themed or spotty clothes, this is great too. Donations can be made on School Gateway.</p>																				
<p style="color: red;"><b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November</b> <u>Year 2</u></p> 	<p style="color: red;"><b>Remembrance Walk to Short Heath Cenotaph</b></p> <p>For the first time, we are taking our oldest children to the memorial Cenotaph at Short Heath as the children have been learning about Remembrance, writing poems and thinking about the idea of memories and remembering. If you could help on this walk with your child's class please let the teacher know.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Class</th> <th>Time to leave school</th> <th>Arrival at the Cenotaph</th> <th>Leave the Cenotaph</th> <th>Approx time back at school</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Dolphins</td> <td>9.30</td> <td>10.00</td> <td>10.20</td> <td>10.45</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Monkeys</td> <td>10.00</td> <td>10.30</td> <td>10.50</td> <td>11.15</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bears</td> <td>10.30</td> <td>11.00</td> <td>11.20</td> <td>11.45</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Class	Time to leave school	Arrival at the Cenotaph	Leave the Cenotaph	Approx time back at school	Dolphins	9.30	10.00	10.20	10.45	Monkeys	10.00	10.30	10.50	11.15	Bears	10.30	11.00	11.20	11.45
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<p><b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup></b> <b>November</b> <u>Reception</u></p> 	<p><b>Let's Learn Together - Maths 11.15am-12.00pm</b> Come and Join us for a Maths parent workshop session as part of Maths Week England - <b>Join your child</b> and their teachers for interactive Maths in their class.</p>	
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<p><b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup></b> <b>November</b> <u>Reception</u></p> 	<p><b>Let's Learn Together Outside - Nature Walk 1.30pm-2.45pm</b> <b>Join your Reception child</b> on their Nature Walk - children will be collecting, exploring and investigating signs of the seasons. Learning about what they can see in the local area. Children need to wear wellies and a warm coat. If you would like to join us please tell the class teacher.</p>	
<p><b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup></b> <b>November</b></p>	<p><b>Photographer</b> The photographer will be in school for retakes and for children who were absent from the first session.</p>	
<p><b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup></b> <b>November</b> <u>Year 2</u></p>	<p><b>STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) Day</b> Year 2 children will be part of an incredible day of Design and Engineering. A Science Lecturer from Derby College, Miss Edwards, will be joining the children for a spectacular photography experiment too. A wonderful opportunity to see real jobs in action! There is no cost to parents for this event.</p>	
<p><b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup></b> <b>December</b> <u>Nursery</u></p> 	<p><b>Santa at The Hive</b> <b>Bumblebees AM and Caterpillars leave at 9.30am back at school approx. 11am</b> <b>Bumblebees PM and Ladybirds leave at 1.30pm back at school approx. 3pm</b> Nursery children will be walking to The Square at New Invention to meet a very special man at The Hive. If you are available to walk with your child for this special visit, please inform your child's teacher.</p>	
<p><b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>December</b> <u>Year 1</u></p> 	<p><b>Santa at The Hive</b> <b>Stingrays leave at 9.05am back at school approx. 10.20am</b> <b>Jellyfish leave at 9.50am back at school approx. 11.05am</b> <b>Seahorses leave at 10.35am back at school approx. 11.50am</b> Year 1 children will be walking to The Square at New Invention to meet a very special man at The Hive. If you are available to walk with your child for this special visit, please inform your child's teacher.</p>	
<p><b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup></b> <b>December</b> <u>Reception</u></p> 	<p><b>Santa at The Hive</b> <b>Lions leave at 9.05am back at school approx. 10.20am</b> <b>Tigers leave at 9.50am back at school approx. 11.05am</b> <b>Leopards leave at 10.35am back at school approx. 11.50am</b> Reception children will be walking to The Square at New Invention to meet a very special man at The Hive. If you are available to walk with your child for this special visit, please inform your child's teacher.</p>	

<p><b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b> <u>Year 2</u></p> 	<p><b>Santa at The Hive</b>  <b>Monkeys leave at 9.05am back at school approx. 10.20am</b>  <b>Dolphins leave at 9.50am back at school approx. 11.05am</b>  <b>Bears leave at 10.35am back at school approx. 11.50am</b>  Year 2 children will be walking to The Square at New Invention to meet a very special man at The Hive. If you are available to walk with your child for this special visit, please inform your child's teacher.</p>
<p><b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b> <u>Years 1 and 2</u></p> 	<p><b>Dress Rehearsal at Holy Trinity Church leave at 9.15am - return approx. 11am</b>  All Year 1 and 2 children will be walking to Holy Trinity Church this morning to practise their Christmas Carol Concert. If any family members are free to walk with the children, please let your class teacher know.</p>
<p><b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b></p>	<p><b>Flu Vaccinations - Catch-Up Session</b>  Walsall Vaccination Team will return to school for the morning to provide flu vaccinations for those children who have consent, but were absent from the first session in October.</p> 
<p><b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b> <u>Nursery</u></p>	<p><b>Ladybirds Christmas Performance 10-10.45am</b>  Children will sing some Christmas songs to their families and then watch a short Christmas animation with a hot chocolate treat.</p> 
<p><b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b> <u>Year 1</u></p> 	<p><b>Year 1 Parents are invited to Holy Trinity Church for our Christmas Carol Concert - leave school 9.15am, Perform 9.45am, Back to school 11.00am</b>  All Key Stage 1 children will be performing at the Church this morning - to help parents and families to see their child we ask for <b><u>ONLY YEAR 1</u></b> parents and families to come today. Any parents who can walk with us, please tell the class teacher. We will reserve seats for those who walk with us.</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b> <u>Year 2</u></p> 	<p><b>Year 2 Parents are invited to Holy Trinity Church for our Christmas Carol Concert - leave school 9.15am, Perform 9.45am, Back to school 11.00am</b>  All Key Stage 1 children will be performing at the Church this morning - to help parents and families to see their child we ask for <b><u>ONLY YEAR 2</u></b> parents and families to come today. Any parents who can walk with us, please tell the class teacher. We will reserve seats for those who walk with us.</p>
<p><b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b> <u>Whole School</u></p>  	<p><b>Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day</b>  Today we have a double celebration we ask children to wear a Christmas jumper or top and a donation on School Gateway for Save the Children.  Today will also be Christmas Dinner Day - during November a slip will come home asking if children would like a free traditional Christmas dinner (turkey or a veggie roast) and festive pudding on this day.  <b><u>Lunches have to be pre-ordered for this day only.</u></b>  Any child who has not ordered a Christmas lunch will need to bring a packed lunch from home for today.</p>
<p><b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b> <u>Nursery</u></p>	<p><b>Bumblebees Christmas Performances 10-10.45am or 2.15-3pm</b>  Children will sing some Christmas songs to their families and then watch a short Christmas animation with a hot chocolate treat.  <b>Please attend the relevant AM or PM session.</b></p> 
<p><b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b> <u>Nursery</u></p>	<p><b>Caterpillars Christmas Performance 10-10.45am</b>  Children will sing some Christmas songs to their families and then watch a short Christmas animation with a hot chocolate treat.</p> 

<p><b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>December</b>  <u>Whole School</u></p>	<p><b>Reports Sent to Parents</b>  In our school, parents receive a termly report with assessments of where your child is at in their learning journey. Your Autumn Term report will be emailed to you. Please ensure your email address is up to date with the School Office.</p>
<p><b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>December</b>  <u>Whole Community</u></p> 	<p><b>Christmas Fair in the School Hall 3.45-4.45pm</b>  Bring along any friends, family as well as your children to our Christmas Fair. A £5 Game Card can be purchased on the School Gateway App and this will provide a turn on every game as well as a drink and a Christmas treat. <b>Game Cards can be collected from the School Office from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December.</b></p> <p>We can only accept cash for the Bottle Stall, the Raffle and for the sale of any additional drinks for family members.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>December</b>  <u>Reception</u></p>	<p><b>Reception Christmas Nativity</b>  All three Reception classes will be performing this morning at approximately 9.15am (as soon as they are changed).  <b>Due to space restrictions, only 2 adults per child - 2 on one day or 1 on each day (Tuesday or Thursday).</b></p>
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**Upcoming Training Days for School Year 2025-2026:**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026

**Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and  
a Happy New Year!**

