



## Trinity School

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Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are really into Christmas season! The sound of Christmas songs are playing through the school and the school is all decorated ready for our parties and events. The KS1 singing last night was so lovely and was the perfect start to our Christmas events. Special thanks to Miss Tomas, Miss Male and all the Key Stage 1 team for their hard work in preparing the children for the event. Thanks to Mrs Racjan and the team, the children enjoyed a cup of hot chocolate on the way out!

As we head into the last few days of this term, I am reflecting on all we have achieved over the last few months. It has been a busy term with lots going on, the pupil progress meetings held in the last couple of weeks show us how much progress has been made by the children this Autumn. They have worked extremely hard this term and the learning in their books is a pleasure to look at.

Thank you to the parents and carers that came along to the 'Managing Children's Emotions' session with CAMHS yesterday. For a copy of the handout, please see the 'Wellbeing' page on the school website as well as the 'Zones of Regulation' page for further information.

### Staff changes / news

Mr Belsey is having a period of parental leave after February half term, so we have appointed an experienced teacher returning to Jersey to cover the leave, to ensure we have consistency for Year 5. Ms K. McKeon will be in school before she takes over to ensure a smooth transition for our children.

Reception parents will be aware that Mrs Osgerby is expecting her second child in the summer, and we send her and her family our best wishes.

Sadly, Mrs Burden will be leaving us in February to take up a full-time role in the Children and families Hub. She will be greatly missed but I know she will be an asset to their team! We are in the process of appointing a new Nursery Officer, the advert is live so if you know anyone who is interested, please do ask them to look on the Government website.

Next Tuesday we look forward to the Reception Nativity I am sure that it will be a magical event with lovely singing and speaking. Please can we remind you that we have asked for no photos or videos to be taken of this event as we will take them for you and put them on Tapestry. Our little ones can be put off very easily by the audience moving around so please just sit back and enjoy the show in the knowledge that we have the photos. To save embarrassment on the day if family are attending with you, please ensure they know and agree to this.

### Christmas Jumper Day

On 12<sup>th</sup> December (Thursday) we invite all children to wear their Christmas jumper to school for a £1 donation which can be paid on your ParentPay app. Please do not send any cash in for this fundraiser.

### Riley Design a Christmas Bauble Competition

Riley are running a design a bauble competition for their chosen charity and there are prizes for Early Years, KS1, Y3/4 and Y5/6. If children want to enter, please bring a £1 to Y6 to collect a sheet. (Our younger children can hand to their teacher who will collect the sheets for them!)

### **Giving Tree**

Again, this year we thought it would be nice to have a Giving Tree at Christmas, we know that so many people are finding times difficult at the moment, so it is absolutely not an expectation to take part. However, if you are able and would like to contribute the labels are in the office, please do pop in and get one – these have been beautifully prepared by our Communications TAG Group. We are asking for things such as coffee, box of biscuits etc. and the proceeds will be given to the Shelter Trust for Christmas. We will also have them at pick up this afternoon so please ask for one!

Our IT system has struggled this week and SIMS (our information data base and the way we communicate with you) has been down for a week. So, apologies that the KS2 Carol Service letter was a few days late. All our dates and events are on our website so please do look at that as that will give you times etc quickly, without needing to wait for the school office to answer your email.

**After School Club/Breakfast Club/Nursery & Reception Snack invoices** we are swiftly moving to the end of term so please can you ensure that all of your invoices are paid as soon as possible but by Monday 16 December to ensure your child's place is kept for the Spring Term. Unfortunately, we cannot hold any places for children where the invoice is outstanding. Please do come and see us if there is a problem.

Our Spring term After School Club timetable is ready for booking, please use the [clubs@trinity.sch.je](mailto:clubs@trinity.sch.je) email address to book experiences. Victims of our own success (😊) we do have waiting lists, but we are trying to find a way to increase capacity, and this includes renovating the caretaker's workshop to create more space as well as increasing staff capacity. Please don't worry if you have not had a response from Mrs Racjan for your booking. We now have 98 families that use our Wrap Around Care facilities, it is a massive job and with IT issues this week it has not helped. So, please be patient as we work through the emails next week. Many thanks.

I hope that you and your family have a lovely weekend, and we will see everyone on Monday,

With my best wishes

**Mrs K McMahon**  
**Headteacher**