

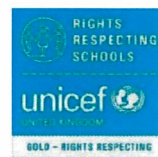
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Friday 19th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful week it has been in school! The children have really settled into routines and it has been a joy to see them so engaged and enthusiastic about their learning. Classrooms are full of energy, curiosity and great conversations.

On our INSET day last week, teachers worked with a UK consultant on our oracy strategy. This included *curriculum clinics* where we looked carefully at how to weave deeper, more challenging questions into our history and geography lessons in particular. We also introduced our new *Sticky Questions* – philosophical questions for you to chat about at home, which children can then share in class the next day. We've already had fantastic engagement with these, so thank you for getting involved and sparking those big conversations with your children.

Year 4, 5 and 6 had the opportunity to attend a very important talk on **online safety** at JCG on Monday. Keeping our children safe in the digital world is such a priority, and the children came back with lots of useful knowledge and ideas.

Reception and Nursery put on their wellies and went out exploring on Wednesday. They spotted the first signs of autumn on their seasonal walk – a lovely experience to connect learning with the natural world.

Our Year 1 children also enjoyed their first **Caring Cooks** session of the half term. They had a fabulous time learning new skills in the kitchen and made a very tasty *cheese and tomato sandwich!*

No parking at RJA&HS and Permits – **Important Notice**

There will be no parking available at all on Thursday 9 October and Friday 10 October due to the Jersey Rally, please note that all children **must be collected from the school gates as there will be no dairy walk**. To ease traffic congestion in the Riley Field carpark we ask that parents leave promptly so that parking spaces are freed up, please park considerably so that vehicles can enter and exit safely.

Please note that unfortunately we do not have any more parking permits left, we do have a waiting list and we kindly ask that any permits that are no longer being used are returned to the school office.

WhatsApp

We have been made aware of a concerning situation involving WhatsApp. A large group chat was recently set up across the island. Unfortunately, this group has included children from a number of schools – some of them of primary age. Worryingly, it has been reported that an inappropriate image was shared within the group, we wanted to make parents aware so you can support and protect your children.

We encourage you to:

- Check your child's phone regularly, including what groups they may have been added to.
- Be aware that WhatsApp can auto-download images into the phone's camera roll, so it's worth checking there too.
- Talk to your child about leaving or blocking groups they don't feel comfortable in.
- Remember that the age limit for WhatsApp and most social media platforms is 13.

Your vigilance and open conversations with your child are key in helping keep them safe online.

Breakfast and After School Club Enquiries

To help us manage breakfast club and afterschool club enquiries efficiently, please ensure that all correspondences relating to this are sent to clubs@trinity.sch.je and not to the school admin email.

PTA

We held our PTA AGM last night. Thank you to all those parents that attended. We heard some lovely new ideas for both fundraising and community events, and it was wonderful to hear the energy and enthusiasm in the room! However, to carry out these plans we do need support so please do offer to help at an event if we ask – if everyone does a little then no one becomes overwhelmed, and the children get a fantastic offer!

We are still without a Year 4 PTA rep – this role is simply to pass on the PTA messages. I don't want Year 4 to miss out on events so the PTA committee would be grateful if someone could step forward!

I have attached both the Chairperson's report and my report from last night for information.

Finally, a big thank you for sending your children in looking so smart for school photographs. It was a long day, but the children's smiles and good spirits shone through! (We hope!)

Coming Up...

- **Monday** – CAMHS Inclusion Drop-In for parents and carers.
- **Thursday** – the very first of our *Trinity Action Group (TAG) sessions*. Every child has been placed in one of their top three groups. We've attached the TAG overview so you can see the exciting range of opportunities on offer. I look forward to ensuring that our children continue to have a say in the school improvement process of the school. My group this year is "Mini leaders" so we will see where this takes us! 😊

Term dates

Monday 22nd September	CAMHS Inclusion Drop In
Thursday 25th September	Nasal Flu
Monday 29 September	Harvest Celebrations
Week of 29 September	Year 6 Residential
Tuesday 21 October	Parent Consultations in hall (booking details to be sent out in due course)
Thursday 6 November	Parent Consultations in hall (booking details to be sent out in due course)
Week of 27 October	Half term
Week of 10 November	Anti-Bullying week
Friday 14 November	Children in Need Day
Friday 28 November	Deco Day
Thursday 4 December	KS1 Carols by Candlelight 5pm in hall
Tuesday 9 December	Reception Christmas Play in hall
Wednesday 10 December	Nursery Christmas Event (in classroom)
Friday 12 December	Nursery & Reception Party
Monday 15 December 6pm	Key Stage 2 Carols at Ebenezer
Wednesday 17 December	KS1 Parties
Thursday 18 December	KS2 Parties
Thursday 18 December	Term ends

All our term dates are already on our website so please click [Trinity Primary School - Calendar](#) for all information!

PTA dates

- Thursday 23rd October - Design a Pumpkin (we will be collecting £1 contribution via ParentPay)
- Friday 24th October - Dress down day (Halloween costumes optional but no masks please - we will be collecting £1 contribution via ParentPay)
- Friday 14th November – Disco (Y1-6) EY's to have disco in own classroom during the school day

Mrs Racjan will set up a ParentPay item for you to pay towards these PTA events.

Uniform sales will be held on the first Friday of every month.

Wishing you all a restful weekend,

Mrs K McMahon
Headteacher

Good evening everyone,

It's a real pleasure to be here with you at our PTA Annual General Meeting, and to have the chance to reflect on the year we've just shared as a school community.

When we look back over the past year, what stands out most is the strength of our partnership – between staff, parents, carers, and of course our incredible children. The PTA has once again shown just how much of a difference it makes, not just in fundraising, but in creating a spirit of togetherness that makes our school such a special place.

We've enjoyed so many memorable events – disco, movie night, the fete. These weren't just successful in raising much-needed funds, but also in bringing people together, building friendships, and giving our children wonderful experiences to treasure.

None of this is achieved in isolation – it is built on the dedication of staff, the enthusiasm of pupils, and the support of our families.

I also want to acknowledge the quieter, often unseen work that goes on behind the scenes – the late-night planning emails, the setting up and clearing away, the hours spent baking, organising, and problem-solving. None of it happens by magic – it happens because we have such a dedicated PTA team and supportive wider parent community.

Alongside this, the school itself has so much to celebrate. Our commitment to high-quality teaching and learning continues to shine through. Little Wandle phonics has had a real impact, with our children performing above the national average in the phonics screening check. Reading remains a particular strength – last year 91% of our pupils achieved over 100 in their reading assessments, well above both island and national averages.

Our curriculum is strong, carefully sequenced, and designed to meet the needs of all learners. We have continued to prioritise the development of our ASC provision for nursery children, ensuring that every child receives the right support from the very beginning of their learning journey. We were also delighted to welcome our new family support worker, who is already having a positive impact in strengthening links between home and school.

This year we also had the privilege of a pilot review in November. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive, capturing the very essence of what we aim to achieve each day. To quote directly:

"Trinity School is a happy haven where pupils and adults alike learn together and work hard to achieve their very best. The (school) has united the community in working together towards common goals. Strong, trusting relationships at all levels combine with the vibrant, stimulating environment to radiate a culture of care, pride and high expectation."

I think that sums up beautifully the spirit of our school.

As we look ahead, I'm excited about the opportunities the coming year will bring. I know that, together, we will continue to make a positive difference for every child in our school.

On behalf of the staff and pupils, I'd like to say a heartfelt thank you for your time, energy, and unwavering support. We couldn't do it without you – and we wouldn't want to.

Trinity Action Groups 2025-2026

Article 3: All adults should always do what is best for you.

Article 12: You have the right to an opinion and for it to be listened to and taken seriously.

Focus	Article
Inclusion ambassadors	In this group we will be working towards gaining a certificate for our school that will recognise all of our great work in inclusion and diversity. We will talk about it, gather evidence from around the school and do activities that will help our whole school value every single person and group.
Reading Ambassadors	The Trinity Book Worms will be responsible for whole school reading spaces (including the playground) and planning reading dens and book nooks in classrooms. We will also create reading displays around the school.
Playground buddies	In this brand new TAG, we will help organise playground games, support friendships, help resolve small conflicts and make our playground an even better place to be!
Digital Leaders	In the e-safety group we will be building an awareness of e-safety issues and helping to make everyone else aware.
Green Team	If you are interested in helping to save the planet and making Trinity School even more eco-friendly, then this is for you. We need your ideas and suggestions to ensure that we all 'do our bit' to reduce waste and conserve energy.
Wellbeing Warriors	In the Wellbeing TAG we will be looking at a range of resources/ ideas/ activities that we could implement in school to enhance everyone's wellbeing, including monitoring Zones of Regulation areas and toolkits. We will also be thinking about how we can continue to improve our playtimes and outdoor areas to ensure everyone can express themselves.
Safety Squad	The Safety team is a very important group – it will ensure that the school is safe for us to be in.
Cultural Champions	This group will explore how people around the world celebrate special days, enjoy food, music and dance, and share traditions. We'll also find out about the different languages people speak and even learn some fun words or greetings from around the world.
Active Ambassadors OPAL-	Our aim for playground TAG this year is to help keep our playgrounds safe, fun, tidy and organised. To promote friendly play and to think and deliver exciting new playground games for everyone to enjoy.
ASC	We will ensure your voices are heard for After School Club activities – what do we do well and what do you want more of!
Talk Champions	This group will continue to develop the work we have started around talk in our learning. They will be leading our oracy strategy and sharing with the school and others.
Mini Leaders	In this new TAG we will thinking about what we need to develop and make even better as a school. The children in this TAG will help make important school decisions and help with the School Improvement Plan.
Trinity Comms	The Trinity Comms TAG is responsible for writing the termly articles for the parish Trinity Tattler magazine. The group will need to think of interesting topics for the articles, interview staff and students for quotes and take photographs to include in the report.

Trinity School PTA

Chairman's report 2024-2025

We started the year with a new committee with the majority of roles under new management due to those who were in position leaving the school as their children departed year 6. It's been a steep learning curve and I must express my thanks to all who have supported us 'newbies' in our roles and helped us find our way as we learn the ropes.

It has been a busy year of events. October saw us run our popular Pumpkin competition and Halloween dress down day, followed by Movie night in November and our Christmas Hamper raffle in December. It is worth noting that the timing of Movie night was in a different term to usual as we were navigating some challenges with the school hall being out of action due to the new canteen being built, but the changes has been positive in that operating Movie night from different classrooms worked well and allowed a better variety of film to be shown to suit different ages.

In the New Year we had our school disco in March, thanks to Mrs Sleath for her DJ skills once again, and our Break the rules day and Easter jar competition in April. May was a really busy month with some additional activities themed around our Liberation 80 celebrations including the joint poetry competition with St Martin's PTA and our 80 acts of kindness jars, with the leaves being hung in the nature garden for all to enjoy. In May we also supported a Thermomix evening hosted by the wonderful Eunice, who's efforts secured us a Thermomix as a raffle prize for our summer raffle. Thanks so much to Eunice who put in a lot of effort to make this happen for us.

We finished off the term with our usual Summer fete and are grateful all PTA reps and parents who took time to support this.

We also undertook a number of admin tasks through the year including; a review and updating of the minute book, centralising a PTA email and google drive to ensure an accessible version of our records is available, our wonderful Jen implemented regular newsletters being sent out to parents & teachers following our PTA meetings, we've regularly contributed to the Trinity Tatler, we changed our venue to the Royal at St Martin for all meetings (other than AGM), and we progressed onto parent pay for payments of PTA events.

We also took the decision to de-register as a Charity this year as the layers of administration required versus the benefit to be registered, we felt were no longer benefitting the PTA.

Finally, probably our biggest project of the year was our Uniform shed. Due to pressures within the school for additional space required, we were unable to store our uniform within the school building, however this offered a great opportunity to re-think how we

operate the 2nd hand uniform and where it could be better stored. Uniform was temporarily relocated to the loft at EYECAN (and into some garages of PTA members) and a shed was sourced built and shelving fitted. We must say a big thank you primarily to Alvaro who did the Lion's share of constructing, but also all members who helped with the what seemed unending task of sorting, bagging and boxing all our uniform. We have already undertaken 2 uniform sales which have operated well directly from the Uniform shed, and hope to run these sales on a monthly basis.

Finally I'd like to say a personal thank you to Mrs McMahon who has been so supportive over my first year as Chair. Also to the committee members who's ears I bend regularly with questions and queries, and our PTA reps and other parent volunteers who make the magic happen at these events. Thank you.