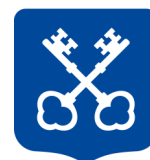




Trinity Academy St Peter's

"Believe you can. Strive for excellence. Stand proud."

School Newsletter - 6 December 2024



Trinity Academy St. Peter's

St Peter's Avenue, Sowerby Bridge, Halifax, HX6 1HB

Office Opening Hours:

Monday - Thursday **8am to 4pm**

Friday **8am to 3:30pm**

Term dates

2024/2025

Closes: 20 December 2024

Closed: **INSET** Day 6 January 2025

Closed: **INSET** Day 7 January 2025

Opens: 8 January 2025

Closes: 13 February 2025

Closed: **INSET** Day 14 February 2025

Opens: 24 February 2025

Closes: 10 April 2025

Closed: **INSET** Day 11 April 2025

Opens: 22 April 2025

Closed: 5 May 2025 Bank Holiday

Closes: 23 May 2025

Opens: 2 June 2025

Closed: **INSET** 25 June 2025

Closes: 22 July 2025



Trinity Academy St Peter's Awards

Reception - Zachary W - for working hard to follow the classroom rules and using the listening ladder this week. Zachary has also shown determination in his writing. Well done Zachary, keep it up!

Year 1 - Riley B - for being a kind and considerate pupil who is always looking out for others and trying to make them smile.

Year 2 - Hunter S - for working extremely hard in his assessments and not giving up, even when things get tricky!

Year 3 - Martha M - for her excellent work in maths in introducing a new song for our 3 times tables and performing in front of the class. Her attitude is always amazing. Great work, keep it up Martha!

Year 3 - Logan FG - for always being an incredible friend in class to so many in Year 3. He is becoming incredibly confident, and Mr. Groves is so proud of him. Keep it up!

Year 4 - Lottie G - for working incredibly hard during this assessment week and showing outstanding resilience.

Year 5 - Finn B - for trying really hard in everything that he does and for being a super role model.

Year 6 - Jude M - for doing extremely well in his assessments. This is a testament to his amazing efforts in all that he does.



Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
1st - Fletcher S	1st - George B	1st - Reagan C
2nd - Odealliah W	2nd - Lily H	2nd - Emelia B
3rd - Layla-Mae W	3rd - Hunter S	3rd - Avianna D
Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
1st - Lottie G	1st - Finn B	1st - Reggie H
2nd - Charlie S	2nd - Theron T	2nd - Max P
3rd - Macy H	3rd - Lola-Rose D	3rd - Max M

Attendance

W/C 02/12/24

1st Year 3/4 **100%**

2nd Year 5/6 **95.96%**

3rd Reception **92.86%**

4th Year 1/2 **92.13%**

Well done Year 3/4!

Parents should call the office on **01422 831971** and select option 1 to report a pupil absent. This should be done on the 1st day of absence and **all** subsequent days.

Please **leave a message** if no one answers your call.



PE Days

Monday PM - Year 3/4
(Group 1 Swimming & Group 2 PE)

Monday PM - Year 5/6

Wednesday PM - Reception

Friday PM - Year 1/2



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Thank you, Mr. Brown and the St Peter's team.

Other news and reminders this week



PTFG Secret Santa Shop

On Tuesday, the PTFG held their Secret Santa Shop.

Whilst all of the parents/carers relaxed with refreshments, the children could select pre-wrapped gifts to give to that special someone at Christmas time. We had such a vast array of gifts available, what do you think you'll get?

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend and support the PTFG with this festive event. All money raised goes back into these events and for treats for your children. We have made an estimated **£190** to put back in to our next event!

We also want to thank everyone who helped out with the event—Mrs. James, Faye, Sean, Ryann, Mrs. Riley and Miss. Tetley!



Reindeer Run

On Thursday, we took part in the annual Reindeer Run to raise vital funds for Overgate Hospice. Pat from Overgate joined us for a special assembly on Wednesday to tell us about the incredible work that the hospice does, and how they support people throughout the year. She also pepped them up and asked them to try and smash last year's total of £718!

Thursday morning was the time to run, and boy did our children show bags of enthusiasm. Everyone ran as much as they could, with the number of playground laps going into double figures. Even some of the staff got in on the act and ran with the children.

We are still collecting in sponsorship, so please send your form and money in by Monday so that we do not miss the collection deadline for Overgate. Thank you, in advance, for your amazing generosity as always! How much do you think we've raised?



HTFC Half Time Match

On Saturday, some of our Year 6 children were invited to take part in the Halifax Town FC half time football match against Ling Bob School. They got to be part of the guard of honour whilst the players came on to the pitch, watch the match, and then play themselves at half time.

We're pleased to say that we won the match 3—1, with some amazing goals by **Benjamin B**, **Reggie H** and **Jude M**.

They will now progress to the next round, so watch this space as to what happens next.



EYFS/KS1 Nativity

Our Nativity is set to take place on **Tuesday 10 December**. We are having a matinee performance at **1:30pm** and an evening performance at **5:30pm**.

Your tickets should have been sent home with your child this week. Please ensure that you bring these with you on the night so that we can mark off attendance and ensure that we are not over capacity for health and safety reasons.

Refreshments will be served by the PTFG in the dining hall whilst you wait for each performance to start. Please bring some change if you can.

A limited number of tickets are still available for each performance. Please request these via the link <https://forms.office.com/e/452NYck8ns>.



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REMINDER: Attendance & Punctuality

If attendance drops below 96% then children are at risk of falling into the category of persistent absence. Attendance is discussed at termly attendance reviews with the Educational Welfare Service and letters are sent out periodically to make you aware of your child's attendance figure, and to advise of ways to improve this.

In terms of punctuality, school starts at 8:45am. All children should already be outside lined up ready to come into class at this time. Our school gates open at 8:40am. Persistent lateness could result in a serious concern letter or fine.



Christmas Cards



Our Christmas post box is in our school entrance for your child to post any Christmas cards. They should not take these in to class.

Please ensure that they include the recipients full name and class on the envelope so that they can be given out correctly. Class lists can be requested from the school office.



After School Clubs

- **Drama Club** - Monday 3:20pm—4:20pm (KS2)
- **Young Voices** - Wednesday 3:20pm—4:20pm
- **Y6 Achieve** - Tues/Thurs 8:10am—8:40am
- **Football Club with Halifax Town** - Friday 3:20pm—4:20pm (KS2)



- **ACE Club (sports)** - Every day 3:15pm—5pm
 - **Monday - Football**
 - **Tuesday - Gymnastics**
 - **Wednesday - Basketball/Netball/Badminton**
 - **Thursday - Indoor Athletics/Circuit Training**
 - **Friday - Dance**



REMINDER

Please try and collect your child after any out of school clubs whilst we are in the winter months, rather than allowing them to walk home. Thank you!

Reminder

School Dinners - Week 3 w/c 9 December

NEW MENU

REMINDER: Christmas Events

- **Christmas Jumper Day** - Children are welcome to come to school in a festive jumper or top on this day instead of their usual school jumper. Ties do not have to be worn.
 - **Christmas Fayre** - This starts from 2pm. We will have a variety of stalls, Santa's Grotto, refreshments and our choir will be singing.
 - **Christmas Raffle** - Mrs. James will be out selling raffle tickets at £1 per strip. The raffle will be drawn at the Christmas Fayre. We have lots of prizes up for grabs!
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- A cartoon illustration of Santa Claus. He is wearing a red suit with white trim, a white belt with a gold buckle, and a red hat with a white pom-pom. He has a white beard and mustache, and is smiling. He is standing with his hands in his pockets.



Key Dates - Term 2

- 9 December** - EYFS/KS1 Nativity—Dress Rehearsal
- 10 December** - EYFS/KS1 Nativity **1:30pm & 5:30pm**
- 11 December** - Y3/4 & Y5/6 CAMHS Workshops **AM**
- 12 December** - **Xmas Jumper Day**
- 12 December** - PTFG Christmas Fayre **2pm—4pm**
- 13 December** - Christmas Dinner Day
- 13 December** - **A special Christmas surprise!**
- 18 December** - Christmas Church Service @St Peter’s Church
9am
- 19 December** - PTFG Bun & Biscuit Sale **3:15pm—4pm**

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Community Page



Halifax Young Singers

Halifax Young Singers (HYS) are a vibrant and welcoming children's choir, open to all young singers aged 7–21.

Under the leadership of their Musical Director, Charlie Rhodes (Director of Choirs at Rastrick High School), HYS offer a fantastic opportunity for children to:

- Develop their singing skills in a fun and supportive environment.
- Build confidence and make lasting friendships.
- Perform in exciting concerts and events throughout the year.

Rehearsals take place every **Thursday from 6-7pm**, at **Heath Church in Halifax**, and no prior experience or auditions are required—it's all about the joy of singing together!

You can find out more about the choir on their website: www.halifaxyoungsingers.org.uk.

HALIFAX YOUNG SINGERS

Halifax Young Singers is an inclusive, open access Youth Choir, aimed at creating high quality music making experiences for young people across Calderdale.

If your child would like to attend a taster rehearsal, please email us at the below address or use our contact form on our website.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR - Ages 7-11
every Thursday 6pm-7pm
(during term-time)

YOUTH CHOIR - Ages 12-21
every Thursday 7.15pm-9pm
(during term-time)

Venue: Heath Church, Free School Lane, Halifax, HX3 0DW

hello@halifaxyoungsingers.org.uk
WWW.HALIFAXYOUNGSINGERS.ORG.UK

Ripponden Christmas Market

The Christmas market is back in Ripponden this weekend!

It is a two day event across **Saturday 7 December** and **Sunday 8 December**, running from **11am–5pm** on both days. It will be held opposite St Bartholomew's Church and at The Old Bridge Inn.

All stalls will be under a heated marquee and there will be over 30 stalls featuring a variety of food, drink and gifts. Get your last minute Christmas gifts and get in the festive spirit!



St Nicholas' Festival

There will be a carol service at Sowerby St Peter's Church followed by a Christmas market and Santa's grotto across both the church and the community centre. You are invited to join in with the festivities on **Friday 6 December** from **6:30pm**.

Please support local and our community!

ST NICHOLAS' FESTIVAL
FRIDAY 6 DECEMBER 2024

6.30PM COMMUNITY CAROL SERVICE
ST PETER'S CHURCH SOWERBY
With collection in aid of The Children's Society

Followed by **CHRISTMAS MARKET WITH SANTA'S GROTTO**
(in Church & the Community Centre)

HANDMADE CRAFTS & GIFTS STALLS
LUCKY DIP
REFRESHMENTS
RAFFLE

ADMISSION FREE
Santa's Grotto :
£2 per child

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SaintPeter's Church Sowerby

This week's website recommendations



Happy Days run a Winter Shelter, which is an essential part of their mission in the local community. They provide a safe haven for residents and a place where they feel welcome, with access to the support they need. It operates from October to March each year. If you know of anyone who would benefit from this service please see details via their website <https://happydaysuk.org/what-we-do/winter-shelter/>.



A not-for-profit organisation set up to empower parents and carers to keep children safe in the digital world. Their support for parents includes a range of downloadable guides covering subjects such as transition to secondary school, Vlogging & livestreaming, online gaming and cyberbullying. <https://www.internetmatters.org/>

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