Trinity Academy St Peter's

"Proud to be growing and succeeding together."

School Newsletter - 7 November 2025

Trinity Academy St Peter's

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

Office Opening Hours:

Mon-Thurs: ***8am to 4pm***

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

Term dates

2025/2026

Closed: INSET 28 November 2025

Closes: 19 December 2025

Closed: INSET 5 January 2026

Closed: INSET 6 January 2026

Opens: 7 January 2026

Closed: INSET 13 February 2026

Opens: 23 February 2026

Closes: 1 April 2026

Closed: INSET 2 April 2026

Opens: 13 April 2026

Closed: Bank Holiday 4 May 2026

Closes: 22 May 2026

Opens: 1 June 2026

Closed: INSET 24 June 2026

Closes: 21 July 2026

*****2026/2027 term dates are available on our website.*****

Trinity Academy St Peter's Awards

Reception - Willow H - for her super work in Phonics. Willow shows enthusiasm towards her learning and always tries her best. Keep up the fantastic work!

Year 1 - Eden H - for coming back to school with lots of enthusiasm for learning! Miss. Smithies is really impressed with his writing. This week he has collected lots of amazing adjectives from our woodland walk. In class he has listened carefully and then used his imagination to make his fabulous sentences. Keep it up Eden!

Year 2 - Maisie B - for always being a wonderful role model. She always gets on with her work sensibly and confidently. In her learning she shows curiosity and enthusiasm every single day. Because of her continuous kindness, responsibility and positive attitude, she also makes a fantastic cloakroom monitor!

Year 3 - Harriet F - for trying her hardest to consistently use her finger spaces in all of her writing, especially in English. This dedication says a lot about how well she is settling into Year 3. Well done!

Year 4 - Reagan C - for demonstrating great resilience and determination in all of her maths lessons. She has worked towards a really good understanding of the column method.

Year 5 - Luiellah H - for her effort and perseverance in maths. She has been working on division using factors and has mastered this now even though she found it very tricky to begin with. Keep up the excellent work.

Year 6 - Lola-Rose D - for her excellent effort in English this week. She is making excellent vocabulary choices and including a variety of punctuation which makes her writing so engaging to read.

NUMBOTS

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
1st - Gracie G	1st - Liviya FG	1st - Frankie B
2nd - Isabella C	2nd - Emily G	2nd - Lily H
3rd - Hallie B	3rd - Rudi H	3rd - George B

Year 4	Year 6
1st - Logan FG	1st - Jacob B
2nd - Maggie N	2nd - Jacob S
3rd - Edie S	3rd - Orla T

Attendance

1st Reception **96.88%**

2nd Year 1/2 **95.26%**

3rd Year 3/4 **94.23%**

4th Year 5/6 **94%**

Well done Reception!

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

Mon PM - Year 5/6

Weds PM - Reception

Thurs PM - Year 3/4

Fri PM - Year 1/2

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Thank you, Mrs. Greenwood, Mrs. Gawthorp and the St Peter's team.

News

Collective Worship

This week in Collective Worship we have begun to explore our new theme of 'Trust'. We looked at what it means to be trustworthy and also considered why trust is important in our friendships.

Our Big Question this week linked to a news story about this years Nobel Peace Prize winner. KS2 thought about whether kindness should receive a reward or whether kindness itself is the reward. KS1 and Reception answered the question 'what is the best reward you can get for free?'. Have a look at discussing these questions at home and send in your thoughts.

Please keep an eye out for our Term 2 Collective Worship overview which will be coming to you soon!

Children in Need 2025

Next **Friday 14 November** is BBC Children in Need Day! Children can come to school in non-uniform on this day, including normal clothes, football kits, fancy dress or even pyjamas!

In return we are asking for a **£1 donation**. Donations are online only. Please do not send cash in with your child. A donation link will be created early next week and sent out for everyone to use.

Odd Socks Day

Next week is Anti-Bullying week, and on **Monday 10 November** we are asking everyone to wear odd socks to school to raise awareness for this cause! No donations are required.

Christmas Ordering

Last term, every child brought home a picture that they had made in school. You can use this picture to order things such as Christmas cards, baubles, gifts etc. Orders are still being taken directly with the fundraising company, so if you would like to order something special for Christmas there is still time to do so. Use the card that was sent home to do this and if you require any assistance, please speak to Mrs. James. Orders will be delivered to school and we will let you know when they are available to collect.

New Water Bottles

All children have been given a new, named water bottle for them to use at school.

In doing this, it ensures that all children first and foremost have a bottle to drink from and are able to access fresh water. As all bottles are standardised, it also stops any conflict or competition with their own water bottles. These bottles will also help us to adhere to our healthy eating policy and ensure your children reap the benefits of drinking water and keeping hydrated whilst at school.

Children do not need to bring their own water bottle into school going forward. They will also not be bringing home their school water bottles, as we will clean them and refill them daily. Our Breakfast Club Monitors have been taking on the responsibility of helping with this each morning. Thank you Breakfast Club monitors!

Positive Panthers! - Halifax Panthers visit Year 5/6

On Tuesday, John from Halifax Panthers visited Year 5/6 to do a workshop on positivity. The children took part in lots of activities. For one, they were tasked with finding a positive word for each letter of the alphabet and then they shared these with the class. John spoke to the children about their aspirations and encouraged them to strive for their goals because anything is achievable in life. He discussed resilience and was very motivational.

The next workshop will be on online safety, followed by a workshop on safety in the community. They will then finish with a special visit from a member of the Halifax Panthers to do some rugby with them.

John said he's never had a group of children as engaged before and said all of the children were brilliant! Well done Year 5/6, and thank you to John for joining us!

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NEWS & REMINDERS

Key Dates - Term 2

10 November - Odd Socks Day

11 November - Anti-Bullying Training **7:45am—4:15pm**

11 November - Reception 26/27 Open Event **5pm**

13 November - The Adam Heslop Cup **8:50am—2:30pm**

13 November - School Photo Day

14 November - Children in Need Day

27 November - Drop Everything And Read **2:30pm—3pm**

27 November - PTFG Secret Santa Event **3:30pm—4:30pm**

3 December - PTFG Christmas Fayre **2pm—4pm**

10 December - Christmas Dinner Day

11 December - Christmas Jumper Day

11 December - Overgate Hospice Elf Dash

11 December - Y1 Indoor Athletics @RVHS **AM**

15 December - EYFS/KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal **PM**

16 December - EYFS/KS1 Nativity **5:30pm—7pm**

17 December - Christmas Church Service @St Peter's Church **2:15pm**

20 December - Break up for Christmas

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**. Registers close at **8:55am**. Persistent lateness could also result in a serious concern letter or fine.

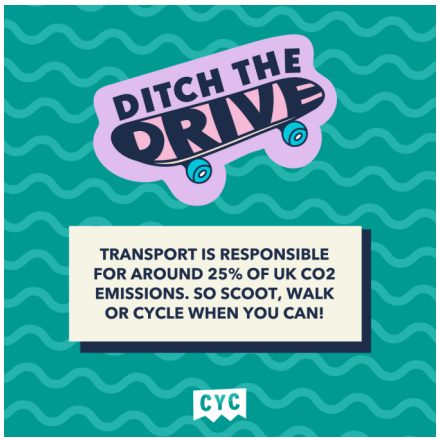
Attendance texts and letters have begun to be sent out. If your child's attendance is between **94– 96%** you will receive a **text**, if it is between **90– 93%** you will receive a **letter**, and if it is **below 90%** you will receive a **persistent absence letter**. Please be aware that this is standard procedure and is just for your awareness only at this stage.

If there is no further improvement in your child's attendance then you may receive a cause for concern letter. Our attendance team will look at ways in which they can support you and your child with their attendance.

Cut Your Carbon Campaign!

This year, our Eco-Committee are leading our Cut Your Carbon campaign in school. We will be putting out an idea of how you can help with this campaign at home each week on the newsletter.

First up, something our TASP community already knows lots about, is active travel. Why not try walking, scooting or cycling to school where possible?



Reminder

School Dinners - Week 2 ***NEW MENU***

w/c Monday 10 November

After School Clubs

- **KS2 Young Voices Choir (FULL)** - Monday 3:20pm—4:20pm
- **KS1 You Choose Club** - Monday 3:20pm—4:20pm
- **Y6 Achieve** - Tuesday & Thursday 8:10am—8:40am
- **Y2—Y6 Science Club (FULL)** - Tuesday 3:20pm—4:20pm
- **KS2 Football with Halifax Town** - Friday 3:20pm—4:20pm

ACE club runs every day after school for wraparound care purposes.

Sign up via the MCAS app.

- **ACE Club** - Every day 3:15pm—5pm

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Community Page

Following the success of our launch event, we're excited to bring you a monthly Uniform Bank session at Todmorden Family Hub.

✨ Come along and pick up pre-loved school uniform for FREE
✨ Donate your child's outgrown uniform and give it a second life
✨ Help reduce waste and make a positive environmental impact
📅 **Sessions run 10 am – 12 pm on the 1st Thursday of every month: 02/10/25 + 06/11/25 + 10/12/25 + 01/01/26 – Closed (Bank Holiday) 05/02/26 + 05/03/26**

📍 **Todmorden Family Hub, Burnley Road, Todmorden**
📞 For more information, call 01706 399976

Family Hubs Calderdale | North Halifax Partnership

FRIDAY 5 DECEMBER 2025

6.30PM COMMUNITY CAROL SERVICE
ST PETER'S CHURCH SOWERBY
Featuring Trinity St Peter's Academy school choir & The Pigeon Pluckers ukelele band
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

Find us on: facebook. SaintPeters Church Sowerby

SOWERBY SIGNPOST

Disability Support Calderdale CIC
Friday 31st October 12-2
Wednesday 12th November 10-12
Friday 12th December 12-2
Wednesday 14th January 10-12
Friday 20th February 12-2
Wednesday 18th March 10-12

Calderdale & Kirklees ageUK
Tuesday 22nd October 3-6
Friday 14th November 5-7
Friday 5th December 12-2
Friday 9th January 12-2
Friday 13th February 12-2
Friday 13th March 12-2

Made possible by:
Calderdale Council | ACTS 435 | Disability Support Calderdale CIC | Calderdale & Kirklees ageUK | The Turning Point | grassroots
Funded by UK Government | COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR CALDERDALE | Sowerby Bridge Together

Working together for a stronger community:

24 hour Mental Health Helpline

NHS

0800 183 0558

Support, advice, information and guidance. A confidential helpline for anyone seeking support for their mental health or their carers.

Available to anyone registered with a GP in:
• Calderdale • Kirklees • Wakefield • Leeds • Barnsley

Service provided by:
NCHA Care and Support

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