



**HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC ACADEMY • BOUNDARY ROAD • NEWARK • NOTTS • NG24 4AU**

**LKS2: YEAR 3 & YEAR 4 CLASS & CURRICULUM OVERVIEW • Advent Term 2021**

**Our School Mission Statement: *'In every child there is a space that only God can fill...'* St Thomas Aquinas**

### Diary Dates:

30/9/21—Year 3/4DO Harvest Liturgy;  
9/11/21—Parents evening 4.30-7pm;  
10/11/21— Parents evening - 3.30-6pm;  
11/11/21—Year 3BH Remembrance Liturgy;  
12/11/21—Children In Need Day;  
19/11/21—National Youth Fun Retreat Day;  
30/11/21—St Andrew's Day Mass led by Year 3/4;  
15/12/21—Year 3/4 Christmas Party;  
17/12/21—Christingle Service led by Year 3/4.

### Home & School Links

Welcome back to the new school year! We hope you had a lovely summer and are feeling well rested and ready for the term ahead. Please come and see your child's class teacher if you have any concerns or questions or send us a message on dojo. Thank you for all your continued support, it is very much appreciated. Don't forget to follow our school twitter pages to keep up to date on all things Year 3 and 4! :)

### Homework & Reading Books

Homework is handed out on a Wednesday and is due back the following Tuesday. Homework will consist of spellings, times tables for your child to practice, maths, grammar and from time to time one other piece of work. This could include English, Come and See or topic based work as well as opportunities for creative homework too. In years 3 and 4 we ask that reading diaries are signed three times per week by a parent or carer, however we do ask that children read for at least fifteen minutes every day.

Remember, there are homework and reading rewards up for grabs!

A reminder that children should come to school in their PE kit on their PE days which are as follows:

Year 3/4J—Monday and Thursday;

Year 3/4DO— Monday and Thursday;

Year 3BH— Thursday and Friday.



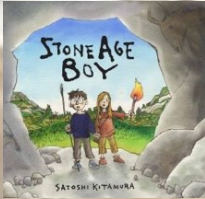
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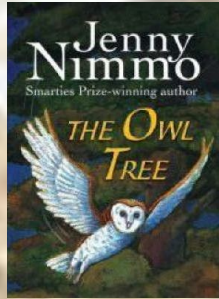
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## Our Curriculum theme for the Advent Term at Holy Trinity Catholic Academy is: **Belonging.**



**A selection of our LKS2**



### **Religious Education**

In Come & See we will be following the topics 'Homes', 'Promises' and 'Visitors'.

During these topics, children will have the opportunity to explore Bible Scriptures and make links between these and their own lives as well as giving reasons for their actions. And the actions of Christians in our community

Class liturgies take place every other Friday, in which the children will prepare in groups.

Please look at The Word of the Week clips as a family.

### Physical Education

Our PE this term is hockey, gymnastics, dance/yoga and handball.

### **English & Mathematics**

In English this term the children will be investigating a range of different text types, including setting and character description, historical stories, non-fiction text and stories with a familiar setting. Within each unit the children will study a variety of different skills. Each unit will end with an opportunity to produce a piece of independent extended writing. There will also be specific grammar sessions and Active English sessions in order to develop and practise the children's understanding of the structure of the English language. Separate to the English lessons, the children will also be taught through whole class guided reading sessions. Our spelling objectives will be met through the teaching of the RWI Get Spelling Programme in Key Stage 2. The children will take part in daily Maths sessions, which will develop their mental and written maths skills. Each unit will provide many varied opportunities provided to extend their knowledge. Children will be given the chance to explore 'real-life' problem solving and develop their mathematical reasoning skills throughout their work. The children will be taught a range of arithmetic strategies including using times tables up to 12x12.

### **Curriculum Focus**

Throughout the Advent term, in Geography we will be finding out about where we belong and land use within the local area and in Science we will be answering the questions 'How does a shadow change?' and 'does a larger magnet have a larger magnetic force?'. This term's Art is all about the first art, including cave paintings and the Stone Age. History will be focused on the changes between the Stone Age and the Iron Age. In DT, we will design and make a magnetic toy. Computing we will be revisiting digital literacy and e-safety and we will be composing music in our Music sessions. We will also participate in French and PSHE lessons.

### **PSHE/British Values**

In our PSHE lessons, we will be focusing on 'family, belonging and loving'.