

**Wednesday 22nd October 2025**

**This term our spotlight is on the value of Compassion**

**Mr Brereton** - As we wrap up the first term of the academic year, I'm delighted to share what a positive and purposeful start it has been across Trinity. Our value of **respect** has been at the heart of everything — from the thoughtful way children have supported one another in class, to the creativity and care shown in their learning.

It's been wonderful to welcome our youngest learners in Snowdon Class, they have made a fantastic start to life at Trinity.

Our sporting teams have also made us proud — from cross-country achievements to football and netball tournaments, the children have shown great sportsmanship and teamwork. Each time members of staff have positively commented on how the children have ascended and lived out our TeamTrinity Code.

I'd like to extend a heartfelt thank you to **ARTHE** for the incredible spray-painted artwork on our school fence. The donated time and talent has transformed our exit from the site into something vibrant and inspiring — a true gift to our community.

As we look ahead to Term 2, with lantern parades, festive events, and creative mornings, I'm excited for all that's to come. Thank you for your continued support and for helping us make Trinity a place where every child can thrive.

### Year R – Snowdon

This week Snowdon Class have been making marks outside using sticks. We strolled around the school grounds collecting sticks and then made different lines and shapes in the sand.



### Year 1 – Ben Nevis

Year 1 have been experimenting with colouring mixing, painting and printing in art! We started by learning about the primary colours (red, yellow, and blue) and how they are the building blocks for all others. The children then had a wonderful time discovering how mixing them together can create brand-new colours (our secondary colours).



### Year 2 – Mount Triumph

Year Two have had a really busy and exciting term, time has flown by! We are working really hard on our writing; we have just written instructions on how to make a bird feeder. To help us do this we found out about why birds need feeding in the winter, bird spotting and we made our own bird feeders to hang outside in the winter.

### Year 3 – Mount Fuji

Year 3 have had a fabulous term! We have made a beautiful RE display, with our rangolis to celebrate Diwali as well as the comparisons we've been finding between Christianity and Hinduism. We have learnt about the stone age in history, which we are looking forward to consolidate the knowledge we've learnt in our Stonehenge trip next term. The children have been an absolute pleasure and I have really enjoyed my first term with such a wonderful cohort.

### Year 4 – Mount Kilimanjaro

What an incredible start to the year it's been for Year 4! I am *so proud* of how the children have settled in and approached their learning with enthusiasm, curiosity, and determination.

In **Maths**, we've been working hard on our times tables — especially our 3s, 4s, 6s, and square numbers. The children have shown real progress and growing confidence in recalling these facts quickly and accurately.

In **English**, we've been exploring **fairy tales and narrative writing**. The creativity and imagination in the children's stories have been wonderful to see — they've produced some truly fantastic pieces of writing!

In **History**, our topic has been the **Roman invasion of Britain**. The class has loved learning about Roman soldiers, life in ancient Rome, and how the invasion changed Britain forever. Their curiosity and thoughtful discussions have made our lessons come alive.

It's been a brilliant start to the year, and I'm excited to see what the next term brings!

## Year 5 – K2

On Wednesday 8th October, Y5 went on a historical walk around Devizes with John Girvan, a historian who showed us around the town and explained what it was like in medieval times.

We met at The Shambles and walked to the Peppermill whilst John was telling us about it. We looked in the window and saw the ancient wooden beams. We then went to the castle entrance and John showed us the Norman helmet and broad sword that he made when he worked as a blacksmith. Fun fact: in the medieval times there was also blacksmiths along with bakers, carpenters, farmers and more jobs.

We carried on walking to St John's Alley where people would throw their waste water (from their potties) out of the windows. Gross! We also saw the Devizes Lockup, basically a dungeon or a prison right in the middle of the town.

Tons of places around the town used wooden beams in medieval times but they didn't have nails and screws so they made wooden pegs. Smart isn't it?

After, we went through the churchyard to see Devizes Castle. It was huge! There wouldn't have been any electricity or running water back then but now there is. Matilda (queen) fought over Devizes castle because her cousin Steven also wanted it. During the battle, they launched cannon balls at the castle but it didn't end well because the person who shot them had a bad aim and actually hit the church 23 times. You can still see the cannonball marks in the side of the church.

There was also a big ditch around the town and when I say big I mean really big. It wasn't a moat as there was no water in it. They threw their potty waste in this ditch too but if you fell in no one would save you because they thought it wasn't worth it.

Finally, we walked along Sheep Street, where people used to ride their sheep along the streets.

We really enjoyed this walk because it linked all of our history learning from this time and we loved seeing how special our town is.

By Chloe W.



## Year 6 – Mount Everest

### **Our Trip to the Battle of Britain Bunker**

When we went to the Battle of Britain bunker on our school trip, it was very fun and interesting. We learnt about what they did in the bunker when all the planes were fighting in the Blitz. We learnt that the bunker was 18 metres deep. They also told us who and what they did in the cabins above the plotting table in the bunker. We also did some activities. One of the activities that the people had to do involved putting 40 pegs into a board in 1 minute, they had to be able to pass this. Another one of those activities was identifying what is the difference between an olden day telephone and our modern-day phone. We had so much fun.

- **Written by Lois**

### **Bike ability**

The best things about bike ability is that: you get your bike fixed for free, you get to learn how to go in and out of a T-junction, all of the road signs, to learn all the positions like the pass me and the follow me and also the starting position. You also get taught about the minor roads and the major roads. You HAVE to remember that LOOKING is the most important thing in the world when it comes to riding a bike in the road (that's another thing they teach you). The best thing is that the people who run the FREE club are so kind and generous.

- **Written by Arthur**

### **The most exciting thing in Term 1**

The most exciting thing of this term is when we were making power points about World War 2. We got to show them to the class. It took about 2 days to do it. We also made board games about WW2. Some people made card games, board games and lots of others. We also went on a school trip. We went to the Battle of Britain bunker and we saw the plotting table and the cabins above.

•- **Written by Poppy K**



## Sporting Events

### Celebrating Sport at Trinity

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September our three Key Stage 2 Cross Country teams travelled to Dauntsey's School to take part in the Cross-Country event. They all did so well and received for their achievements.



### Celebrating Sport at Trinity

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September our boys football team travelled to Dauntsey's School to take part in a tournament with other local schools.

They had a great time, won the tournament and were commended on their fantastic behaviour and sportsmanship skills.



### Celebrating Sport at Trinity

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October the netball team had their first league match against St Joseph's school.

They were so confident, passing the ball effectively, defending and scoring goals.

Well done to Bobby for being award player of the match.



## Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL)



From November all children will need to wear wellies if they want to be able to access the field at play and lunchtime.

### OPAL requests for next term

<b>Wooden pallets</b> 	<b>decking planks</b> 	<b>Child spades or shovels</b> 	<b>Tree stumps</b> 	<b>Tyres-big and small</b> 
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Please leave any donations by the side entrance gate where children come through in

### Term 2 After School Clubs

Mon - KS2 (Year's 3,4,5 & 6) Badminton - max 12

Wed - EYFS and KS1 (Year's R, 1 & 2)- Gymnastics (using the climbing equipment in the hall)

Fri - KS2 (Year's 3, 4, 5 & 6) Netball - max 16

Please look out for an email with details on how to sign up.



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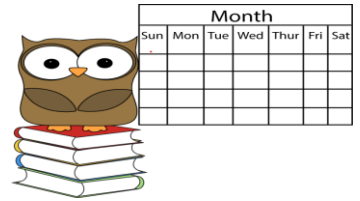
## Absence reminder

If your child is unwell or is unable to attend school due to an appointment, please contact us by 9am using one of these options.

- You can call us directly on 01380 730203 and choose option 1 and leave a message.
- Or can choose option 2 to speak to a member of our office staff.
- Or you can email [absences@trinityschooldevizes.dsat.org.uk](mailto:absences@trinityschooldevizes.dsat.org.uk)

Is my child too ill for school? Please take a look at the NHS guidelines link below.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>



## Key dates to remember

### NOVEMBER

- 10th – 14th November Anti-Bullying
- Tues 11th Parents Evening 3:30pm – 6pm
- Wed 12th Parents Evening 4pm – 7pm
- 13th & 14th Y6 Bikeability Group 2
- Fri 14th Children in Need Day – Merch uniform day
- Tues 18th Theatre Production in school – Sleeping Beauty
- Fri 21st Non-uniform day – exchange for chocolate or £1
- Sat 22nd PTFA Lantern Making Workshop
- Thurs 27th Parent Coffee Morning
- Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Devizes Lantern Parade

### DECEMBER

- Fri 5th PTFA Christmas Fayre/Event after-school 3:15-5:15PM
- Tue 9th (PM) and Thu 11th (AM) EYFS and KS1 Nativity Performance (tickets will be issued)
- Wed 10th Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner
- Tues 16th Christingle Service (Church)
- Christmas Creative Mornings TBC

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY (Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January 2026)**

## KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

*Our number one priority is to keep your child safe. Our safeguarding team work closely with the wider school team to ensure that there are robust and clear procedures in place and that staff receive regular training. If you have a concern, please speak to a member of the safeguarding team.*

*Mr Brereton (our designated safeguarding leader) or Mrs Owens or Mrs Pletts (our deputy safeguarding leaders) in his absence.*