

Holy Trinity News

22th July 2020

This has been one of the most challenging years in the history of Holy Trinity. Since the opening of Holy Trinity in 1866, many things have changed as the school has grown. The log books show how the school has lived through two world wars and how each child and member of staff has left an indelible mark on the school over its one hundred and fifty-four year history. Looking back over what I have written in the log book for 2019-20, I am certain that anyone perusing the pages in the future will find current events hard to fathom.

That the school has navigated this tricky and unprecedented chapter is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the staff, that are a privilege to lead and work with each day. We have been open for key worker and vulnerable children since lockdown began and worked through every day (apart from Good Friday and Easter Monday). Every child has been given the opportunity to come back into school before the summer to meet their new class teacher. It has been a shame that the new reception intake in September have not had the opportunity to meet Mrs Chichon face to face.

We are hoping to do something for our Year 6 children when the guidance allows. They have been marvelous ambassadors for Holy Trinity – ever since they took their first tentative steps in the reception class in September 2013. They will enrich their secondary schools, who are extremely fortunate to have them (as we have been).

Sadly, we have to say goodbye to five members of staff. Mrs Milford-Silver has been a stalwart and guiding influence throughout her thirty-four years at Holy Trinity. When the Government guidance allows, we will celebrate her time with us with the whole school family. Mrs Addinell and Mrs Jackson have served the school admirably during a very challenging period and we wish them well for the future. Mrs Evans has been an extremely dedicated member of staff, who has relocated to Wales. The office will not be the same without Mrs Turner, who is retiring after twenty six years of sterling service. She can still remember her very first day, when she told a group of Year 5 children that their cave paintings were excellent, but they had to be careful following reports of two sabre-toothed tigers prowling outside the school gates.

Lastly, I would like to thank the parents for their on-going support. They have been asked to become teachers over the lockdown and have supported their children superbly. We really value the partnership between school and home which has become even stronger through home learning.

I'm not sure what will be written in the log book for 2020-21. I am hoping that it will be a little more uneventful, although things will remain a little different as we start September.

Have a fantastic summer.

Kind regards

Mr Shore

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