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Newsletter - Friday 31st March 2023

Happy Easter!

Welcome to the **final newsletter** of the **Spring Term**. The weather is getting brighter, the days are longer and the children continue to make brilliant progress. This week has been busy as always. Children had a fantastic time during the two **discos** that we ran. A huge thank you must go to staff for giving up their time to make it happen. Children demonstrated some impressive moves and a good time was had by all. I am very excited about the plans we have put in place to begin to develop our **Early Years** yard. Much of the improvements will be financed in part by our school fund - money raised by you through discos and non-uniform days! **Mr Luke-Green** has worked tirelessly to put a new fence up to create a space which we will begin to develop in the coming months so watch this space! And finally, I would like to thank **Mrs Mason** and wish her all the very best in her retirement. **Mrs Mason** has worked at **Beaconhill** for a quarter of a century and worked with hundreds of our children - making a real difference to so many of them. She has been a credit to the school and it won't be the same without her. We all wish her all the very best in her retirement and hope she stays in touch. A handful of our children will be moving onto new schools as well and I wish them all the best of luck in their new settings - I hope they all settle in nicely. I hope you and your families all enjoy a safe and peaceful Easter break and we'll see you back on **Monday 17th April**. Thanks, Mr Routledge

Easter Egg Competition

I was so impressed with the standard of **eggs** which were entered into the **competition** this year. There were so many **creative** efforts to choose from and it was nice to see and hear how the children spent time working with you at home on their entries. It was so difficult to choose just **one winner per class** but we (just about!) managed. Well done to everyone!

Nursery - Kingsley

Reception - Jackson

Year One - Harry

Year Two - Scarlett

Year Three - Jacob

Year Four - Aoife

Year Five - Brandon and KJ

Year Six - Alfi/Padi and Jessica



Changes to Out of School Club

As you will know, we launched our wraparound care with Trinity Youth in September. They have run our Breakfast Club and After School Club since then and a number of you have already used the provision. Whilst we anticipated that it would take some time to get fully up and running, we had hoped to have more families using the service. We are fully committed to continuing to offer wraparound care to support families but to ensure that the service is able to continue in the long term, we are going to trial changes to the opening hours and costs. From Monday 17th April, the timings and costs will be altered as follows:

Breakfast Club

07:45 - 08:45 - £3.00 per pupil

After School Club

3:15 - 4:15 = £4.00 per pupil or 3:15 - 5:15 = £7.00 per pupil

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For further information, please contact Trinity Youth directly:

Registering and Booking: https://trinityyouthassociation.ipalbookings.com/

Email: beaconhilloosc@trinityvouth.org.uk

Red, White and Blue Day

Advanced warning that ahead of the coronation on **Monday 8th May** (which will be an extra **Bank Holiday**), we will be celebrating **Red**, **White** and **Blue** Day on **Friday 5th May**. Children are invited to come into school wearing red, white or blue clothes. We will mark the occasion with a **special assembly** and **coronation themed lessons**.

Beach

This week **Year Five** have enjoyed their beach visits to **Low Hauxley**. The children produced their own temporary art work inspired by the artist Romeo Britto. We have now completed 67 beach visits this year so **Mrs Wharton** and **Mrs Black** (and our **trusty school bus!**) all deserve a massive pat on the back and I can't wait to see what the summer term will bring.

Attendance

Well done to our **Reception** class who recorded the **highest overall attendance** for the second week in a row. Their attendance for last week was an amazing **98**%! Special mention also to **Year Two**, **Year Three** and **Year Four** who all recorded attendance of **96**%+.

To celebrate the wonderful attendance across school, many children will be coming home tonight with Gold, Silver or Bronze certificates for 100%, 98% or 96% attendance. All children who recorded 100% attendance this half-term were entered into a draw. I am delighted that Laurie in Year Two won the mega posh Easter Egg (which she assured me she'd share with her family!) I was also delighted to hand out tickets for Newcastle United Women V Bradford City Women at St James' Park to five children who achieved 100% attendance this half-term.