THE HOLY TRINITY NEWSLETTER Friday 2nd Oct

YEAR 4 BUBBLE CLOSURE

As you will probably be aware, the Year 4 bubble has been closed again until Wednesday 14th October on the instruction of The Department for Education and Public Health England, due to a child developing symptoms and testing positive for Covid-19. All pupils and two members of staff will be in self-isolation for that time.

Mrs Grimshaw was not identified as a contact, and is therefore not required to self-isolate, so you may see her in school over the next two weeks.

Regrettably, this is likely to be a situation that is repeated throughout the coming months, and possibly a number of times with bubbles, due to the high levels of Covid-19 in the local community.

Unless there is a marked change in government policy, a case of Covid-19 within a bubble will almost always result in a closure. Decisions to close bubbles are taken by the D.F.E. and P.H.E. who issue advice to the school. It is not a school decision.

These events are very disruptive to parents, staff and not least to the children's learning but although the next few months will be difficult, this state of affairs will not last forever and normality will resume at some point. We just have to get through the current difficulties together.

When a bubble does close, I.C.T. equipment will be made available on the first day of the closure for loan to those families who need it, and "live" Home Learning will begin on the second day. The Home Learning provided earlier this term was very good and will continue to improve as teachers learn more about the best ways to deliver it.

I.C.T. equipment must be returned to the school hall on the first day back after the closure.

DOGS ON THE SCHOOL PREMISES:

There is a ban on dogs being brought onto all parts of the school premises. This applies to all dogs irrespective of their age, size or breed and whether they are on a lead or being carried. The only exception, of course, would be for a working guide dog.

CHILDREN ARRIVING FOR SCHOOL

Year 5 and Year 6 children can walk to school by themselves. Children in all other year groups should be brought to school by a responsible adult.

Children up to and including those in Year 4 should be handed over to a member of school staff at the entry door for their year group.

Please do not leave your child at the school gates to let them walk up the path to their entry door unaccompanied. This is to remove the possibility of a child who has been left by their parent deciding not to go into the school building, turning back and then leaving the premises unnoticed.

*Children who are self-isolating are not counted as being absent

CLASS ATTENDANCE COMPETITION		
1st Place	CLASS 1L, 1/2H, 4D, 5B	100%
2nd Place	CLASS 4GT	98.5%
3rd Place	CLASS 2F	98.2%
This week's Overall School Attendance Rate >>>>>>>>>>>>>>		96.3%
The Attendance Rate since the Start of the School Year >>>>>>		96.7%